

CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

BOARD MEMBERS

Val Gomez, President
William Allen, Vice President
Winna Guzman, Member

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 9, 2019 @ 4:00 p.m.

Reported for Fissinger & Associates
By: Lisa Pena

Call to Order: 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Val Gomez, William Allen, Winna Guzman.

Minutes: Regular Meeting 11/28/18
Special Meeting 11/28/18

Motion to accept Regular Meeting Minutes from 11/28/18 and Special Meeting Minutes from 11/28/18 made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

Correspondence: None

New Business:

MR. GOMEZ: We'll move on to New Business. I'd like to make an addition to our Agenda. We are going to add the Bid Opening for Gateway Signage. This is from the Planning Department. It was advertised to be open today I believe. At what time?

MR. SOLORIO: 4:00 o'clock.

MR. GOMEZ: So we will start off the meeting --

MR. ALLEN: The election first.

MR. GOMEZ: Before we go to the Bid Opening we do have one other matter. We have to decide the Election of Officers. So at this time we're opening nominations.

1 MR. ALLEN: I nominate Val Gomez as President.

2 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

3 MR. GOMEZ: Are there any other nominations for
4 President?

5 Motion to accept Nomination of Val Gomez as Board President
6 made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

7 Roll Call: "All in Favor": William Allen, Winna Guzman
8 Abstain: Val Gomez Opposed: None Motion Carries.

9 MR. GOMEZ: Now for the position of Vice President.
10 Do we have a nomination for Vice President?

11 MS. GUZMAN: William Allen.

12 MR. GOMEZ: We have one nomination for William Allen.
13 Any other nominations for William Allen?

14 Motion to accept Nomination of William Allen as Board
15 Vice President made by Winna Guzman.

16 Roll Call: "All in Favor": Val Gomez, Winna Guzman
17 Abstain: William Allen Opposed: None Motion
18 Carries.

19 MR. GOMEZ: Now we'll get back to our Bid Opening.
20 Do we have the bids with us?

21 MR. ALLEN: We have three. First is from Gariup
22 Construction Company located at 3965 Harrison Street, Gary,
23 Indiana.

24 MR. SOLORIO: I do want to make the Board aware,
25 Marino Solorio, Planning and Economic Development, they are
able to be the GC and bid on the full project or they can
do certain trades. So if you don't see apples to apples,
that is probably why.

MR. GOMEZ: Everybody has a similar form?

MR. SOLORIO: Correct. It's the same form. But they
could choose what they want to bid on.

MR. ALLEN: I am seeing a base bid and also an
alternate. How many alternates were there, just one?

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1 MR. SOLORIO: One.

2 MR. ALLEN: And is there an award criteria figure with
3 this too or no?

4 MR. SOLORIO: No. Because we didn't believe it was
5 going to be passed.

6 MR. ALLEN: Gariup Construction base bid \$338,760.
7 Alternate Number 1 add \$3,500.

8 Next is PSG, Premier Sign Group located at 1428
9 Sadlier Circle East Drive, Indianapolis, Indiana. Base bid
10 \$179,888.38. Alternate Number 1 add \$4,917.61.

11 It seems as though there is a voluntary alternate
12 bid which is to provide an HC LED digital panel which is a
13 deduct of \$8,748.38.

14 And so I guess just for the record the first bid
15 for Gariup had nothing for the voluntary alternate.

16 And then last is Quantum Sign Corporation located
17 in Sugar Grove, Illinois. Located at 693 Heartland Drive
18 in Sugar Grove, Illinois. Base bid \$102,600. Alternate
19 Number 1 add \$3,400. And then there is nothing for
20 voluntary alternate.

21 That concludes the Bid Opening.

22 MR. GOMEZ: As is custom you will review the bids and
23 return with your recommendation next meeting?

24 MR. SOLORIO: Yes. We would like to be added on to
25 the next meeting's agenda. Thank you.

26 MR. GOMEZ: Thank you. We'll now move on to under New
27 Business 2019 Homeowner Incentive Program. It's a contract
28 between the City of East Chicago Board of Public Works and
29 East Chicago Redevelopment Commission regarding the City
30 Funded Homeowner's Incentive Program.

31 We have before us from Redevelopment -- your
32 name?

33 MR. RIVERA: Frank Rivera, Executive Director of the
34 Department of Redevelopment.

35 MS. PARKER: Loretta Parker from Redevelopment.

1 MR. GOMEZ: This is an annual process we have.

2 MR. RIVERA: Yes.

3 MR. GOMEZ: And it would go to your Board also, right?

4 MR. RIVERA: Yes. Absolutely.

5 MR. GOMEZ: I believe the amount is 350 for 2019?

6 MR. RIVERA: Yes. 350,000 for 2019 starting January 9
all the way up to December 31 of 2019.

7 MR. GOMEZ: For the record these funds have been
8 allocated already and are a deemed budget. The funding is
9 proper and this is more a formality that you have to come
before our Board.

10 MR. RIVERA: Exactly. And I appreciate the fact that
11 we're doing this annually only because this program is very
successful.

12 As a matter of fact to report to you very quickly
13 we have 251 homeowners who are taxpayers now from 2012 to
14 2018 at \$2.7 million. That's why we want to continue the
process.

15 Just take in mind there is a 2.5 percent admin
16 expenditure for the program to pay for administration
costs.

17 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on this proposed
contract?

18 Questions/Comments: None.

19 Motion to accept 2019 Homeowner Incentive Program Contract
made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

20 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
21 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

22 MR. GOMEZ: Next on our Agenda we have from the Fire
23 Department, Dear Board Members, before you are three
agreements for contractual training consultants for our
Department.

24 The contractors and agreements are exactly the
25 same as they were for 2018.

1 We humbly request your approval for these 2019
2 agreements.

3 Respectfully, Anthony Serna, Fire Chief.

4 MR. SERNA: Good afternoon, Board Members. Anthony
5 Serna, Fire Chief. These are the agreements, the same as
6 last year for three training consultants. And just to note
7 for the record the date of the contract is from January 1
8 of 2019 to December 31 of 2019.

9 MR. GOMEZ: The first one we have is for John Edwards.

10 MR. SERNA: John Roberts.

11 MR. GOMEZ: John Roberts. And that is in the amount
12 of \$30 per hour not to exceed \$50,000.

13 MR. SERNA: Correct.

14 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions on Mr. Roberts' agreement?

15 Questions/Comments: None.

16 Motion to accept the 2019 John E. Roberts Contract with the
17 Fire Department made by William Allen. Second by Winna
18 Guzman.

19 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
20 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

21 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have the agreement for
22 professional services contract between Phillip C. Topor
23 also for training in fire investigation. This one is in
24 the amount of \$25 per hour not to exceed \$10,000.

25 Any questions or comments?

Questions/Comments: None.

26 Motion to accept the 2019 Phillip C. Topor Contract with
27 the Fire Department made by William Allen. Second by Winna
28 Guzman.

29 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
30 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

31 MR. GOMEZ: Finally we have professional services
32 contract between Bradley B. Rivera in the amount of \$25 per

1 hour not to exceed \$5,000 for 2019.

2 Any questions or comments?

3 Questions/Comments: None.

4 Motion to accept the 2019 Bradley B. Rivera Contract with
5 the Fire Department made by William Allen. Second by Winna
6 Guzman.

6 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
7 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

7 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have before us Ozoh Engineering.
8 This is a bid to buy steel beams at the Water Reclamation
9 Plant.

9 Ozoh Engineering Construction, LLC is to buy from
10 the City of East Chicago, Indiana 18 steel beams listed for
11 sale at the Water Reclamation Place close to the Marina at
12 East Chicago, Indiana for the sum of \$15,005.

12 Is there anybody? We'll put it to the side then.

13 Next we have Republic Services, Special Events.
14 I can speak on this because there's an accompanying letter
15 from my Department from Elsie Carey (phonetic).

15 The story behind this just for the record I
16 believe the Commissioners have the letter from Elsie.
17 Republic Services actually donated a check for I believe
18 \$5,000 last year.

18 Apparently they noticed the check was never
19 cashed. So they came to us and informed us that they
20 noticed that it was never cashed. So we never received it.
21 So they kindly reissued the check for Special Events.

20 So we actually have the check. We actually have
21 deposited it in that account. So basically that's what it
22 is.

22 MS. GUZMAN: Was it from 2016?

23 MR. GOMEZ: Yes. So like I said I would like to
24 commend them. They're Republic Services out of Crown
25 Point.

25 Any questions or comments?

1 Questions/Comments: None.

2 Motion to accept Republic Services Reissuing of Donation
3 Check made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

4 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
5 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

6 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Trugreen out of Public Works.

7 MR. SELVIE: Good afternoon, Board Members. Keith
8 Selvie, Director of Public Works. What you have before you
9 is our annual fertilization of the eight parks that we
10 actually maintain to do three treatments per year.

11 MR. GOMEZ: This is similar to last year's?

12 MR. SELVIE: It's exactly the same. I'm sorry. There
13 is one change. The one change is that we have added the
14 preventive treatment of grubs over at Kosciuzko because we
15 had gophers. So we added that particular service to that
16 particular park.

17 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on Trugreen's
18 proposal?

19 Questions/Comments: None.

20 Motion to accept Trugreen 2019 Proposal made by William
21 Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

22 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
23 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

24 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Terpstra's Sales Service and
25 Rental Rates also from Public Works.

26 MR. SELVIE: This is the actual company that provides
27 maintenance on our small equipment like snowblowers and
28 chain saws and so forth. And this is their rate table for
29 2019.

30 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on Terpstra's
31 rate schedule for 2019?

32 Questions/Comments: None.

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1 Motion to accept Terpstra's Rate Schedule for 2019 made by
William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

2 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
3 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

4 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have TransChicago Truck Group,
their rates also for Public Works.

5 MR. SELVIE: Correct. This company basically provides
6 service on our older garbage trucks. And I wanted to just
for the record enter in their hourly rate.

7 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on this
8 proposal?

9 Questions/Comments: None.

10 Motion to accept TransChicago Truck Group Rates for 2019
made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

11 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
12 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

13 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have from Rieth Riley Construction
their 2019 price list.

14 MR. SELVIE: This is just their rate table that we
15 annually renew for Rieth Riley. Our primary product that
we receive from them is either hot patch or cold patching
16 for potholes.

17 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

18 Questions/Comments: None.

19 Motion to accept Rieth Riley Construction Price List for
2019 made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

21 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
22 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

23 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Cam's Tree Service for Public
Works.

24 MR. SELVIE: This is the company that we have been
using when totally necessary to remove trees. We typically
25 use them when it's hazardous to our guys actually removing

1 them.

2 So if they're in power wires or if it's
3 dangerous, close to a residence or something of that
4 nature, we like to do it professional versus my guys. And
5 this is their rates to actually remove trees per the
6 diameter of the tree.

7 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

8 Questions/Comments: None.

9 Motion to accept Cam's Tree Service Rates for 2019 made by
10 William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

11 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
12 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

13 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have H.E.C.C. rates with Public
14 Works.

15 MR. SELVIE: This is one of the actual electric
16 companies that we annually get rate tables from to use in
17 case of emergencies.

18 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

19 Questions/Comments: None.

20 Motion to accept H.E.C.C. Rates for 2019 made by William
21 Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

22 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
23 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

24 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Midwestern Electric Rates for
25 2019.

MR. SELVIE: This is our second electric company that
we like to use as well just to have a backup from the
first.

MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on Midwestern
proposal for 2019?

Questions/Comments: None.

Motion to accept Midwestern Electric Rate Schedule for 2019
made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

1 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

2 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Mechanical Concepts, their
3 rates for the City of East Chicago for 2019.

4 MR. SELVIE: This is one of the vendors that we
actually primarily use to tackle any H-VAC issues that we
5 have across the City with our actual buildings as well as
they have a plumbing department that we utilize when
6 necessary.

7 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on Mechanical
Concepts 2019 rates?

8 Questions/Comments: None.

9 Motion to accept Mechanical Concepts Rate Schedule for 2019
10 made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

11 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

12 MR. GOMEZ: We'll move on to Outstanding Invoices.

13 MR. ALLEN: Should we go back to Ozoh Engineering?

14 MR. GOMEZ: Because I still have Keith up here, I want
15 -- he's the first one on.

16 Outstanding Invoices we have Mechanical Concepts.
We have two invoices for 2018 totaling \$3,362.50.

17 MR. SELVIE: This particular invoice the actual
18 service was provided. The technician that actually

19 performed the actual fix handed the invoice to one of the
young ladies. And they didn't turn it in.

20 So the service was provided. And I would like to
21 pay them if possible.

22 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

23 Questions/Comments: None.

24 Motion to accept Mechanical Concepts Past Due Invoice made
by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

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1 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

2 MR. GOMEZ: We'll return to that one item from Ozoh
3 Engineering Construction pertaining to as I mentioned
4 earlier steel beams that they wish to buy from our Water
Reclamation Place for the sum of \$15,005.

5 MR. SOLORIO: Marino Solorio, Planning and Economic
6 Development. I am speaking on behalf of my colleague here,
Natalie Adams, who could not make this meeting.

7 Pretty much the recommendation letter states that
8 Ozoh Engineering is looking to purchase the beams that came
out of the Aldis Roundabout Project from the bridge.

9 From what we know to be able to dispose of what
10 is technically City property we have to come to the Board
and get that approved.

11 So they are the highest in terms what they're
12 offering. They will be cutting the beams and taking them
away for the sum of \$15,500 (sic).

13 MR. GOMEZ: Was this put out through notice? How were
14 they aware that we were trying to sell these beams?

15 MR. SOLORIO: So from what I understand the Director
16 of the Marina solicited different companies that she
thought would be able to get rid of the steel. And the
17 ones that are on the letter are the ones that came back
with a proposal to do so.

18 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on this
proposal?

19 Questions/Comments: None.

20 Motion to accept Ozoh Engineering Construction's Bid to
21 Purchase Steel Beams made by William Allen. Second by
Winna Guzman.

22 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

23 MR. GOMEZ: We'll return to Outstanding Invoices. We
24 have an invoice from SEH of Indiana dated 10/8/18 in the
amount of \$3,972. This is from our Engineering Department.

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1 MR. ALLEN: Engineering Department received the
2 following invoice on time. However the contract had
3 depleted all the funds. And a supplemental agreement
4 needed to be approved prior to processing for payment which
5 will be going before the Board today.

6 MR. GOMEZ: Services were provided?

7 MR. ALLEN: Yes.

8 MR. GOMEZ: Any other questions or comments?

9 Questions/Comments: None.

10 Motion to accept SEH of Indiana Past Due Invoice made by
11 William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

12 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
13 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

14 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have two items for the Police
15 Department. But I believe I do not see anybody from the
16 Police Department in our audience.

17 We have a proposal from Luke and we have a
18 proposal from Northwest Psychological Services. I believe
19 since it's been our custom to have someone speak on it we
20 will table these for the next meeting.

21 Is that okay with everyone?

22 MS. GUZMAN: That's fine.

23 MR. GOMEZ: For the record they were informed? They
24 presented these items?

25 MS. COSME: Yes. That's correct.

MR. GOMEZ: Thank you.

Next we have Compliance Reports. We have three,
Larson Danielson Community Center, Grand Boulevard
Resurface and Watling Reconstruction.

MS. RAMIREZ: Esperanza Ceja Ramirez, Compliance
Manager. The first report is Larson Danielson for the East
Chicago Recreational Center Site 2 on Guthrie. We're close
to finalizing this report. However we're still waiting for
the remaining numbers to be submitted.

1 However this current situation right now is the
2 actual contract which was awarded was \$2,700,099. The
3 amount of change orders which were received were in the
4 amount of four were \$105,365 which gives us an adjusted
5 contract amount of \$2,805,464.

6 Total damages accumulate to \$115,188.51. This is
7 the amount of the residency as well as the hiring.

8 It looks like we have 11 contractors that work on
9 here. In addition to that sub prime contractors were two
10 of them in total.

11 And that is about it.

12 MR. GOMEZ: This is informational just for the record.
13 No motion is necessary. Thank you.

14 MS. RAMIREZ: The next Compliance Report is the
15 Watling Street Project. The original contract amount is
16 \$1,480,570. Amount of change orders is \$143,145.24. And
17 the adjusted contract amount now amounts to \$1,623,715.24.

18 Total amount of damages as this is a final is
19 \$58,809.94.

20 Once fees have been adjusted there should an
21 amount owed to Walsh Kelly, \$271,234.81. And that is after
22 we've removed the total damages.

23 And my last and final report is Grand Boulevard
24 for the Resurfacing and Sidewalk Project. This is also a
25 final report. The original contract amount is for
\$775,275. Change orders amount accumulate to \$35,504.35
which gives us an adjusted contract amount of \$810,779.35.

The complete total damages which is residency and
local hiring is \$31,427.63 which once we remove the
retainage fee, et cetera, make all our calculations we owe
Rieth Riley \$59,185.89.

We're now in the process of trying to finalize
all the Compliance Reports. We are waiting for numbers. I
already have two other Compliance Reports which did not
make it through this meeting, but will be on the next
meeting.

There will probably be sub prime contractors that

1 worked on the East Chicago Community Center Site 2. And
2 Site 1 we are finalizing. We've already provided the Board
3 with the East Chicago Community Center, the general
4 contractor numbers. But now we're just bringing the sub
5 which would be Midwestern possibly. I believe Gatlin and
6 LGS. Thank you.

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8 MR. GOMEZ: Next we come to Recommendation/Award for
9 2018 Garage Demolition Project.

10 MR. PORTALATIN: James Portalatin, East Chicago
11 Building Commissioner. So we went through the bids. And
12 my recommendation would be 3818 Alder -- all of the garages
13 as a note will be demolished leaving the slab.

14 So for 3818 Alder the lowest most responsible
15 bidder was STM at \$1,975. 3916 Butternut was STM at
16 \$2,375. 3932 Butternut was D&R at 3,080.

17 4814 Olcott, there's a new owner to that
18 property. And he is entering into a rehab agreement with
19 the Building Department. So I have no recommendation on
20 that one.

21 3808 Drummond it was Actin for \$2,750. 3930
22 McCook was D&R for \$3,190. 3824 Fern is STM for \$1,775.
23 3814 Pulaski is Actin for \$3,250. 4840 Drummond the lowest
24 responsible bidder is STM for \$1,775. 4722 Euclid is Actin
25 for \$2,850. 3821 Deodar is STM for \$1,875. 3508 Fir D&R
\$2,970. 3616 Fir D&R \$2,750. 3919 Elm STM was the lowest
bidder for the amount of \$2,400. 3719 Grand STM and the
amount is \$1,800. 3718 Hemlock Actin for \$2,750.

Those are my recommendations before the Board
today.

MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on the
recommendations from the Building Department.

MS. GUZMAN: Just the funding, is that --

MR. PORTALATIN: We do have the funding in the
Building Fund at this moment.

MR. GOMEZ: Any questions?

Questions/Comments: None.

1 Motion to accept Building Department Recommendation for
2 2018 Garage Demolition Project made by William Allen.
3 Second by Winna Guzman.

3 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
4 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

4 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Resolution 2019-01 for
5 Hitchcock Design Group. Resolution of the East Chicago
6 Board of Public Works authorizing the execution of a
7 settlement agreement among Hitchcock Design Group and
8 Midwest Electric, Incorporated and the City.

7 MR. REED: Good evening, everyone. So basically it is
8 our recommendation that we sign, approve this agreement.

9 The short version of this is that this was the
10 Breakwater Project. There was a design bust by the
11 designer. And on top of the design bust or the design
12 error the contractor could not have done his work according
13 to the plan. But he didn't do his due diligence either.

12 So my resolve through a series of meetings and
13 negotiations was that the City is not going to be held
14 responsible for anyone else's problems that was their
15 responsibility.

14 As you know we are holding our contractors,
15 architects and engineers accountable for their work. And
16 this was a settlement negotiation.

16 Now, we are not subject to any of the finance of
17 the negotiation. But this does document the City's
18 position. It documents the steps and the players involved.
19 And they would just like acknowledgment that this is
20 accurate as to what happened.

19 Again this is no cost to the City. And the full
20 settlement actually ended up in a decent credit to the
21 City.

21 Overall the project came in under budget. And it
22 was a pretty good project after this small -- this is a
23 small percentage, but still an important percentage of what
24 happened on site.

24 MR. GOMEZ: So the City --

25 MR. REED: No cost to the City at all. This is just

1 an agreement documenting so we have something on paper.
This is not releasing anybody from liability or
2 responsibility for the warranties and service and quality
ongoing. But it does memorialize the negotiations.

3 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on Resolution
4 2019-01?

5 Questions/Comments: None.

6 Motion to accept Resolution 2019-01 made by William Allen.
Second by Winna Guzman.

7 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
8 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

9 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Resolution 2019-02.
Resolution of the East Chicago Board of Public Works
10 accepting terms and conditions for the transfer of certain
property owned by the City of East Chicago to East Chicago
11 Department of Redevelopment which property is commonly
known as Parcel Number 450334201001.000-024 part of 4900
12 Cline Avenue.

13 MR. ALLEGRETTI: This is a large multi lot industrial
parcel. All of the lots except the one which is the
14 subject of this Resolution is owned by the Department of
Redevelopment.

15 It was discovered that the one project that is
16 the subject of this Resolution is still owned by the City.
And this authorizes execution of a deed to convey the
17 parcel to the Department of Redevelopment and keep the
property intact so that that Department can proceed with
18 this redevelopment.

19 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on Resolution
20 2019-02?

21 Questions/Comments: None.

22 Motion to accept Resolution 2019-02 made by William Allen.
Second by Winna Guzman.

23 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
24 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

25 MR. GOMEZ: Next we come to Resolution 2019-03.
Resolution of the East Chicago Board of Public Works

1 accepting terms and conditions for transfer of certain
2 property owned by the City of East Chicago to East Chicago
3 Redevelopment which property is commonly known as 4003 Deal
4 Street. And they also have an accompanying quitclaim
5 deed.

6 MR. MORRISROE: Again it's a transfer from Civil City
7 to the Redevelopment Department.

8 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on this?

9 Questions/Comments: None.

10 Motion to accept Resolution 2019-03 made by William Allen.
11 Second by Winna Guzman.

12 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
13 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

14 MR. GOMEZ: Next we come City of East Chicago Board of
15 Public Works Resolution 2019-04. Resolution of East
16 Chicago Board of Public Works establishing a program to
17 provide assistance for demolition of privately owned
18 dilapidated garages.

19 MR. PORTALATIN: Joe just left. But I can probably
20 speak on behalf of that as well.

21 MR. GOMEZ: This is establishing a new program?

22 MR. PORTALATIN: Yes, new program. It's a 50/50
23 program that the Mayor and Administration has looked --
24 very similar to the Water Valve Program where the City for
25 the properties that go before the Board of Safety, the
garages that go before the Board of Safety and have been
given an order to demo the owners will be -- we'll continue
the process bidding out, up to the point of bidding and
awarding.

At the time of demolition when we receive the
invoice the property owners will be given the opportunity
to participate in this program. But it will be 50/50 up to
\$1,500.

So if a garage has a total demolition cost of
3,000, the owner will be responsible to pay 1,500 and the
City will pay the other 1,500.

They will have 30 days after the invoice to

1 submit that payment or else we will continue with the
2 process that we always do, placing a lien on the property.

3 We will be giving that opportunity to the
4 homeowners from the beginning when we present it before the
5 Board. So I can see them having the opportunity to save up
6 some money with two or three months by the time we get PO's
7 and get the garage to be demoed.

8 There's many garages in the City of East Chicago
9 that do need to be torn down. Our Code Enforcement is out
10 there writing up garages and will be presenting even more
11 garages before the Board of Safety. So this gives the
12 residents an opportunity to participate and maybe not have
13 to place a lien on that garage.

14 MR. GOMEZ: So the total they can receive is 1,500.
15 And the total budget for the program is 75,000?

16 MR. PORTALATIN: Yes.

17 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments? Sounds like a
18 good program.

19 MS. GUZMAN: Yes.

20 MR. PORTALATIN: Thank you.

21 Questions/Comments: None.

22 Motion to accept Resolution 2019-04 made by William Allen.
23 Second by Winna Guzman.

24 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
25 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

MR. GOMEZ: Next we come to Fissinger & Associates.
This is from Engineering.

MR. ALLEN: This is just an annual agreement for
Fissinger services for the Board of Works.

MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

Questions/Comments: None.

Motion to accept 2019 Fissinger & Associates Professional
Service Agreement made by William Allen. Second by Winna
Guzman.

1 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

2 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have SEH of Indiana Supplemental
3 Number 3, Community Center Site Number 2 from Engineering.

4 MR. ALLEN: So this is for additional fees that were
5 highlighted in the scope within the original contract
between us and SEH.

6 This basically covers travel expenses, shipping
7 costs and sending the plans down state for review. Total
lump sum \$1,767.55.

8 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on this matter?
9 Questions/Comments: None.

10 Motion to accept SEH of Indiana Supplemental Number 3 made
11 by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

12 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

13 MR. GOMEZ: Next we come to Change Order Number 7 for
14 Larson Danielson, Community Center Site 2.

15 MR. ALLEN: This is for the second site. While
16 reviewing the structural submittals additional plates had
17 to be welded for structural purposes in order to carry a
load for the building. This was directed to Larson
Danielson to do by the engineer of record. Total amount
\$6,623.

18 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on this change
19 Order Number 7?

20 Questions/Comments: None.

21 Motion to accept Larson Danielson Change Order Number 7
made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

22 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

23 MR. GOMEZ: Next we come Right of Way Applications.
24 Right of Way Applications 19-030-40 through 19-030-57.

25 Any questions or comments on the Right of Way

1 Applications?

2 Questions/Comments: None.

3 Motion to accept Right of Way Applications 19-030-40
4 through 19-030-57 made by William Allen. Second by Winna
Guzman.

5 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
6 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

7 MR. GOMEZ: That concludes our New Business.

8 Old Business: None

9 Other Business: None

10 * Next Regular Meeting Date: Wednesday, January 23,
2019 @ 4:00 p.m.

11 Motion to adjourn was made by William Allen. Second by
12 Winna Guzman.

13 * The Meeting ended at 4:50 p.m.

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1 Approval of the Meeting Minutes of
2 Wednesday, January 9, 2019
3 Approved and signed _____

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10 William Allen, Vice President

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13 Winna Guzman, Member

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, LISA PENA, a competent and duly qualified court reporter, do hereby certify that I did report in machine shorthand the foregoing proceedings and that my shorthand notes so taken at said time and place were thereafter reduced to typewriting under my personal direction.

I further certify that the foregoing typewritten transcript constitutes minutes of said proceedings taken at said time and place, so ordered to be transcribed.

Dated at Portage, Indiana, this 20th day of January 2019.

LISA PENA
Notary Public Porter County
Certified Shorthand Reporter
License Number 084-003484