

CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

BOARD MEMBERS

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

Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 23, 2019 @ 4:30 p.m.
Reported for Fissinger & Associates
By: Lisa Pena

Call to Order: 4:30 p.m.

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

Minutes: Regular Meeting September 25, 2019
Regular Meeting October 9, 2019
Special Meeting October 14, 2019

Questions/Comments: None.

Motion to approve September 25, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes, October 9, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes and October 14, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes 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. First item on our agenda is Bid Openings for Improvements to Block Stadium Phase 4 from Public Works.

MR. ALLEN: The first is from Hasse Construction Company located at 10 Lincoln Avenue, PO Box 300, Calumet City, Illinois. Bid Package Number 1 for concrete and excavation \$772,425. Bid Package 5 \$761,000. Bid Package Number 11, which is a combined bid for Bid Packages 1 through 10, lump sum \$2,630,500.

Next is Gariup Construction Company located at 3965

1 Harrison Street, Gary, Indiana. Bid Package Number 1
2 \$1,270,000. Bid Package Number 2 \$70,000. Bid Package
3 Number 3 \$60,000. Bid Package Number 4 \$950,000. Bid
4 Package Number 5 \$1,170,000. Bid Package Number 6 \$30,000.
5 Bid Package Number 7 \$60,000. Bid Package Number 8 \$500,000.
6 Bid Package Number 9 \$90,000. Bid Package Number 10
7 \$220,000. Bid Package Number 11 combined bid for Bid
8 Packages 1 through 10 is \$249,700. I'm sorry. \$2,495,700.

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10 Next is the Babilla Roofing and Sheet Metal located
11 3974 Harrison Street, Gary, Indiana. Bid Package Number 3
12 \$49,795. That was only for the roofing package.

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14 Next is Gough, Inc. located at 2200 East 88th
15 Drive, Merrillville, Indiana. Bid Package Number 4 \$281,535.
16 That is it. Bid Package Number 4 \$281,535.

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18 Gatlin Plumbing and Heating, Inc. located at 1111
19 East Main Street, Griffith, Indiana. Bid Package Number 6
20 \$12,800.

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22 LGS Plumbing, Inc. located at 1112 East Summit
23 Street, Crown Point, Indiana. Bid Package Number 6 \$42,678.

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25 Midwestern Electric located at 1620 East Chicago
Avenue, East Chicago, Indiana. Bid Package Number 8
\$346,029.

Fence Masters located at 2400 Cottage Grove Avenue,
Chicago Heights, Illinois. Bid Package Number 9, ornamental
fencing, \$66,000. And that's it.

MR. GOMEZ: Keith, your department is going to review
these bids?

MR. SELVIE: Yes.

MR. GOMEZ: And then you're going to get back to us with
a recommendation?

MR. SELVIE: That's correct, sir.

MR. GOMEZ: So that will be for the next meeting then?

MR. SELVIE: Correct.

MR. GOMEZ: So Public Works will review the bids and get
back to us. Make sure everything is proper and give us the
recommended items.

1 Any questions or comments on the bids?

2 We'll move on to the next item on our agenda. We
3 have the State of Indiana Road Salt Bid, Update on Road Salt
4 Contracts from Public Works.

5 MR. SELVIE: Good afternoon. Keith Selvie, Director of
6 Public Works. Mr. President, what you have before you is the
7 2019-2020 treated salt that comes from Cargill and the prices
8 that are associated with them. I ask that this Board approve
9 them.

10 MR. GOMEZ: So we're approving like a rate schedule for
11 tonnage?

12 MR. SELVIE: Yes. Just a rate schedule for the tonnage.
13 Please note that the price went up approximately about \$9 per
14 ton.

15 MR. GOMEZ: I believe there's certain amounts we have to
16 purchase, right?

17 MR. SELVIE: That is correct. This year we purchased
18 approximately 5,000 tons of which we have to take possession
19 of at least 80 percent of that or we can order up to 120
20 percent over that.

21 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on State of
22 Indiana Road Salt Contracts?

23 Questions/Comments: None.

24 Motion to approve 2019-2020 State of Indiana Road Salt
25 Contracts made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

MR. GOMEZ: Next on our agenda we have Federal
Protection Agency Proposal from Public Works.

MR. SELVIE: Yes. Mr. President, before you you have
three actual proposals for our security out at the Public
Works facility. I've evaluated each particular proposal.
And I would like to recommend Federal Protection. I would
like to recommend their three-year agreement. Total amount
per year will be \$137,899.80 per year.

MR. GOMEZ: And you're recommending the three year one?

1 MR. SELVIE: Correct. After reviewing the actual
2 contracts as well as their actual performance we think
3 they're the lowest most responsible.

4 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on the proposal?
5 Questions/Comments: None.

6 Motion to approve Federal Protection Agency Three-Year
7 Contract Proposal made by William Allen. Second by Winna
8 Guzman.

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

11 MR. GOMEZ: Now we come to Outstanding Invoices. First
12 one is from 610 Auto. We have one invoice dated 6/14/19 in
13 the amount of \$135.59.

14 MR. SELVIE: Yes. Mr. President, this is some services
15 that were provided by 610 Auto. Unfortunately we didn't get
16 the invoice in time to pay it. We ask that it be paid.

17 MR. GOMEZ: And services were provided?

18 MR. SELVIE: Yes.

19 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

20 Questions/Comments: None.

21 Motion to approve 610 Auto Outstanding Invoice made by
22 William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

25 MR. SELVIE: Thank you.

MR. GOMEZ: Thank you. Next we have a late invoice
from Reith Riley Construction. It's a final payment request
dated 7/23/2019 in the amount of \$86,547.59.

MR. ALLEN: This is from the Engineering Department. We
received the invoice late. All services were rendered. And
like you mentioned this is the final payment request of that.
Once this is approved we can close out the project.

MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on this late

1 invoice?

2 Questions/Comments: None.

3 Motion to approve Reith Riley Construction Outstanding
4 Invoice 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: Next we have a late invoice from First Group
8 Engineering dated 5/31/2019 in the amount of \$2,480.

9 MR. ALLEN: Also from the Engineering Department. Also
10 received late. Services have been rendered. This is for
11 their design work for one of our trails in East Chicago.

12 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

13 Questions/Comments: None.

14 Motion to approve First Group Engineering Outstanding Invoice
15 made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

18 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have ATT 911 Call Data, Database
19 Extract Service.

20 MR. KLOCEK: Good evening. Kevin Klocek, Administrator
21 for the City of East Chicago. The agreement you have before
22 you for your consideration is an agreement for E 911 data to
23 be provided by AT&T.

24 And the purpose of that data will be to incorporate
25 a phone listing into our NIPSCO Notification System. So that
in the event of some sort of emergency in the City NIPSCO
will be able to dial out to the land lines that are included
in the database to inform residents via land line of the
emergency.

The option that we are considering is on page 3. I
have highlighted it with a box and an X. Basically it's a
single extract for \$525 and any additional update after that
for \$350.

There are no terms for the agreement. The only
thing spelled out is termination is 30-day notice.

1 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

2 There being no further questions entertain a motion
3 to approve AT&T Emergency Warning Call Database Extract
4 Service Purchase Agreement between AT&T and City of East
5 Chicago under the terms of 525 and 350, right?

6 MR. KLOCEK: It's 525 for a single extract and 350 for
7 any updates if you will after that.

8 Questions/Comments: None.

9 Motion to approve AT&T Emergency Warning Call Database
10 Extract Service Purchase Agreement 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. KLOCEK: Thank you.

15 MR. GOMEZ: Thank you. Next we have the Indiana Office
16 of Technology. This is from the Police Department.

17 MR. COSSEY: George Cossey, Police Department. Indiana
18 Office of Technology, this vendor is for the State database
19 that we use for our fingerprints in detention areas. This
20 vendor is mandated by the State of Indiana. And on there
21 it's just showing that the rate has increased from 103.39 to
22 118.57.

23 MR. GOMEZ: This is something we do yearly?

24 MR. COSSEY: Yes. Well, it's not yearly. It's just
25 showing that the rate has increased.

MR. GOMEZ: The rate has increased?

MR. COSSEY: Yes.

MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

Questions/Comments: None.

Motion to approve Indiana Office of Technology Rate Increase
for 2019 made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

1 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Crowder Detention. Did I
pronounce that right?

2 MR. COSSEY: It's Crowder Detention Door. And on there
3 that's the Field Service Agreement Rate Sheet. Basically
4 it's a vendor. We're asking that you approve the rate
5 schedule. We use them as our vendor. They're the only
6 vendor within reasonable distance which is Indianapolis,
7 Indiana to make service calls for our detention jail doors.

8 MR. GOMEZ: They're the ones that service it now?

9 MR. COSSEY: Yes.

10 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

11 MS. GUZMAN: I'll just note payments due in net 15 days
12 from invoice date. Maybe that needs to be looked at. That's
13 on the rate sheet right on the top.

14 MR. GOMEZ: If you can inform about that 15 day. But
15 they've been working with them in the past, right?

16 MR. COSSEY: We've worked with them before.

17 MS. GUZMAN: So they understand?

18 MR. GOMEZ: Any other questions or comments?

19 Questions/Comments: None.

20 Motion to approve Crowder Detention Rate Schedule for 2019
21 made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

24 MR. GOMEZ: Thank you.

25 MR. COSSEY: Thank you. Have a good evening.

MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Compliance Report from
Planning for the Homerlee Avenue Reconstruction, Prestressed
Tank Number 1 on Tod and Prestressed Tank Number 4 on
Guthrie.

MS. RAMIREZ: Esperanza Ceja Ramirez. The first report
I will be reporting on is the Homerlee Avenue Reconstruction
Project. The project is being run by the General Contractor

1 Walsh & Kelly. The original contract amount is for
2 \$2,136,330.60. The total amount of change orders which have
3 been so far is \$67,600 which gives us an adjusted contract
4 amount of \$2,203,930.60. The overall potential damages for
5 this particular project so far is \$138,363.72.

6 As you can tell this has been provided by the new
7 system, Trinal Project Tracking System. And the various
8 reports that are attached give us automatic calculations of
9 the various information that has been provided which is also
10 EEO minority and female damages as well as residential people
11 who have been working at the various projects.

12 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on Homerlee
13 Avenue? We'll move on to the next one.

14 MS. RAMIREZ: The second project is the Prestressed Tank
15 on Tod Street. The General Contractor is TN Tanks. The
16 original contract amount is \$6,894,600. So far we have not
17 received any change orders. Therefore the adjusted contract
18 amount stays the same. Total potential damages so far is
19 \$392,861.53.

20 Again this report was generated by the Trinal
21 System.

22 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on Prestressed
23 Tank Number 1 on Tod Street?

24 MS. RAMIREZ: The last report is for the second
25 Prestressed Tank Number 4 on Guthrie Street. General
Contractor again is TN Tanks. The original contract amount
is \$4,197,112. Also we have not received any change orders.
Therefore we do not have any adjustment to the adjusted
contract amount which remains the same. The total potential
damages for this project is the \$242,551.10.

And this report was also generated from the Trinal
System.

MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

I have a question. I don't know if you know the
answer. I noticed these tanks aren't identical.

MS. RAMIREZ: That they're identical?

MR. GOMEZ: I thought they were identical. They're not
identical because I noticed there's a \$2 million difference

1 in the price?

2 MS. RAMIREZ: Right. I don't believe they are. The one
3 that is on Tod Street I believe there is -- which again
4 combines the Contract 3. There is a sump pump that's being
5 generated and will be a part of the stress tank there. And
6 the other one I am not sure exactly if there are any other
7 sump pumps, et cetera. But based on my knowledge it looks
8 like not.

9 But I believe that is the only difference and the
10 reason why that other tank is much larger, the amount.

11 MR. GOMEZ: I was just curious. I thought they were
12 identical. Thank you.

13 MS. RAMIREZ: They're probably identical as to the
14 structure. But as far as more work and scope of work being
15 produced for this to work the one on Tod Street will take
16 more work.

17 MR. GOMEZ: Thank you for your report.

18 MS. RAMIREZ: Thank you.

19 MR. GOMEZ: Now we'll move on to the Purchase Agreement
20 for 1305-19 East Chicago Avenue. This from the Law
21 Department.

22 MR. MORRISROE: Richard Morrisroe, Law Department. This
23 is one of the properties that the City has been considering
24 selling. Habib Sayed who has the Go-Lo Station across the
25 street here from City Hall has been very anxious to put a
kind of full service station there. I think it will be
larger simply because the space is larger spanning from
Pedro's Bar to the corner of Euclid.

And this is in the amount of 25,000. He assumes
the environmental liabilities. And the property is to close
sometime between now and the end of December.

MR. GOMEZ: Are there any questions or comments on the
Purchase Agreement?

Questions/Comments: None.

Motion to approve Purchase Agreement for 1305-19 East Chicago
Avenue made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

3 MR. MORRISROE: Thank you.

4 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have a Proposal from Parsons. This
5 is from the Building Department. No one is here from the
6 Building Department.

7 MS. GUZMAN: He is at a workshop outside of the City.

8 MR. GOMEZ: Did he speak to you on this?

9 MS. GUZMAN: No. But I talked to him this morning. So
10 that's how I knew. But he is coming.

11 MR. GOMEZ: Do you want to table and hold it for the
12 next meeting then?

13 MS. GUZMAN: I think we should.

14 MR. GOMEZ: We're going to table this for next meeting
15 then.

16 We'll move on to Actin Contract. This is also from
17 Building. Nobody is here from Building. Do you want to
18 table this one too?

19 Next we come to Second Start Truancy Program with
20 Ronald Edmonds and Samuel Maldonado. It's a Perpetual
21 Service Contract.

22 MS. MORGAN: Good afternoon. Carla Morgan. I've been
23 working with the Truancy Program. So I can answer any
24 questions on the contract.

25 MR. GOMEZ: So I see this is for truancy officer. And
it's supposed to be \$21.42 an hour not to exceed 27,000. I
know we discussed this Truancy Program at one of our previous
meetings. Are there any questions or comments?

Are there going to be more truancy officers?

MS. MORGAN: Yes. The program is budgeted to hire three
more. We may get additional funding from the County. But
that's not set in stone yet for truancy officers.

And the program is actually up and running. Two
police officers are dedicated to it. And then Mr. Edmonds

1 and Mr. Maldonado signed the contracts. And they're starting
2 this week if you approve.

3 MR. GOMEZ: Now, I see they signed on the 18th. So do
4 we make a motion retro to the 18th?

5 MS. MORGAN: Yes, if you would. Although I think the
6 actual work starts this week.

7 MR. GOMEZ: So they haven't actually worked yet?

8 MS. MORGAN: I don't believe they have. I can get a
9 definite answer for you tomorrow. But if you can make it
10 retroactive all the same.

11 MS. GUZMAN: And it's until June 5, 2020?

12 MS. MORGAN: Right. Which is the end of the school
13 year.

14 MR. GOMEZ: It goes from school season to school period,
15 whatever.

16 MS. MORGAN: The budget is for two years. But we have
17 to rehire again and start next year school. So everyone's
18 contract is just for this school year. And then we re-up
19 again hopefully next school year.

20 MR. GOMEZ: No further questions or comments?

21 Questions/Comments: None.

22 Motion to approve Second Start Truancy Program Professional
23 Service Contract made by William Allen. Second by Winna
24 Guzman.

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

MR. GOMEZ: We're going to go back to the two items we
tabled from Building. First one is Parsons. James, we're
going back. We had tabled two. First one is from Parsons
for Zone 2 Soil Remediation.

MR. PORTALATIN: Yes. That's some credit in regards to
some sod installation. Parsons, they were doing the
remediation there. And our contractors had done the sod.
And they're crediting us back.

1 MR. GOMEZ: So this 13,875.77 is a credit?

2 MR. PORTALATIN: Yes. It's a credit.

3 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

4 Questions/Comments: None.

5 Motion to approve Parsons Credit made by William Allen.
6 Second by Winna Guzman.

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

9 MR. GOMEZ: And then we have from Actin the contract.

10 MR. PORTALATIN: Yes. This is in regards to 4004
11 Parrish. 4002 Parrish was demolished using Hardest Hit
12 funds. But 4004 Parrish while it was at one time a parking
13 lot and garage that served that business it was a separate
14 parcel. So I wanted Actin to be able to remove the asphalt
15 and the garage at the time they were out there at the site.

16 MR. GOMEZ: So it's 4004-06 Parrish?

17 MR. PORTALATIN: That is correct.

18 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

19 Questions/Comments: None.

20 Motion to approve Actin Contracting Proposal for 4004-06
21 Parrish Avenue made by William Allen. Second by Winna
22 Guzman.

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

25 MR. GOMEZ: Thank you.

MR. PORTALATIN: Thank you.

MR. GOMEZ: Now we move on to Right of Way Applications.
We have something missing for you?

MR. ALLEN: 2019 Rates.

MR. GOMEZ: We have to go back.

1 MR. ALLEN: This is from the Engineering Department.
2 This is their 2019 rates that I am requesting or the
3 Engineering Department is requesting approval for.

4 MR. GOMEZ: And that's for Garcia Consulting?

5 MR. ALLEN: Yes.

6 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

7 MS. GUZMAN: The interest rate, maybe strike that out.

8 MR. GOMEZ: You can inform Garcia about that interest
9 rate. I'm sure he is aware.

10 MR. ALLEN: Yeah. He knows it doesn't apply. It's just
11 part of his sheet.

12 MR. GOMEZ: Any other questions or comments?

13 Questions/Comments: None.

14 Motion to approve Garcia Consulting Engineers 2019 Rates made
15 by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

18 MR. GOMEZ: Next item we have is Visu-Sewer. This is
19 from Engineering.

20 MR. ALLEN: Visu-Sewer submitted a proposal to reline a
21 portion of pipe that runs down 145th Street westbound of the
22 intersection of 145th and Walsh Avenue.

23 So while under reconstruction for the project it
24 was uncovered that we have 288 linear feet of 12 inch sewer
25 that's in poor condition and needs immediate attention. So
this is being brought before the Board for approval so that
we can move forward with the repair. The amount is \$37,720.

MR. GOMEZ: This is from Walsh through 151st Street?

MR. ALLEN: Yes. So starting from Walsh, the
intersection of Walsh and 151st heading westbound 288 feet.

MR. GOMEZ: Any other questions or comments?

Questions/Comments: None.

1 Motion to approve Visu-Sewer Proposal for Walsh and 151st
2 Street made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

5 MR. GOMEZ: Now we come to Right of Way Applications.
6 We have Board of Public Works Permit Application Number
7 19-03392 through 19-03405. Any questions or comments?

8 Questions/Comments: None.

9 Motion to approve Permit Application Number 19-03392 through
10 19-03405 made by William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

13 Other Business: None.

14 * Next Regular Meeting Date: Wednesday, November
15 13, 2019 @ 4:30 p.m.

16 Motion to adjourn made by William Allen. Second by Winna
17 Guzman.

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

20 * Meeting ended at 5:05 p.m.

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1 Approval of the Meeting Minutes of
2 Wednesday, October 23, 2019

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9 William Allen, Vice President

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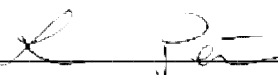
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I, Lisa Pena, a competent and duly qualified court reporter, do hereby certify that I did report in machine shorthand the foregoing proceedings and that my shorthand notes so taken at said time and place were thereafter reduced to typewriting under 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 3rd day of November, 2019.



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