CITY OF EAST CHICAGO BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BOARD MEMBERS
Val Gomez, President
Winna Guzman, Vice-President
Frank Rivera, Member

Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 12, 2026, at 4:30 p.m.

Reported by Fissinger & Associates, Ltd.
By: Peggy S. LaLonde

Staff Present: Olga Cosme, Recording Secretary
Shana Levinson, Attorney

Call to Order: 4:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Val Gomez
Winna Guzman
Frank Rivera

MR. GOMEZ: Good afternoon everyone. I'd like to call to order the regular meeting of the Board of Public Works for February 12th, 2026. We do have a quorum.

I'd like to make a motion to approve the minutes for the January 22nd, 2026 meeting, as written.

MS. GUZMAN: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

We have no correspondence, we'll move on to New Business.

First item on the agenda is Nyhart Service Agreement with HR Department. I spoke to Robert Johnson, who's our payroll manager, he's the primary contact name. Nyhart Agreement is for fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, to December 31, 2025. Nyhart supplied the actuarial services -- they prepare reports -- data collection, review, and analysis. Feedback and commentary for inaccurate or unexpected data provided as

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necessary. Preparation of the comprehensive annual report/actuarial valuation. Disclosure as required by GASB 75 and interim GASB 75.

I did ask Mr. Johnson what these reports were and he did not know. We are paying for the GASB 75 actuarial evaluation report at $7,800.00. The interim GASB 75 violation report is $3,600.00, for total of $11,400.00. He did tell me he thinks it has to do with posted benefits for the insurance. And he said he believes that because we have Miss Loomis -- Laura Loomis -- is our insurance consultant and she inquires about them.

Any questions or comments on this? (None)

There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion to approve the proposal for Nyhart for HR for their reporting.

MS. GUZMAN: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have A T & T -- we have two proposals from IT Department and both from A T & T. We do have an e-mail from Kevin Klocek, our Systems Administrator. These two agreements, A T & T MIS is a 36-month addendum. This addendum is to extend A T & T MIS internet services for the next 36 months. Pricing will remain the same as it was in the previous attached agreement of $1,180.60 per month.

Also another item for A T & T IP Flex 36-month addendum. This is to extend the A T & T IP Flex backup router, phone and internet services for next 36 months. Price also remains the same, wasn't an increase in the agreement of $235.75. There will be monthly payments of $1,460.35 and the yearly amount is $68,996.20. Kevin did mention to me this has to do with our security. And he said that's all he could say about it. I think it's one of those things where they don't want to give us too much information on the words of the agreement.

Next one is also from IT and this is for EC Cyber Solutions contract. The information in this agreement, it's a support and maintenance service for Forcepoint Web Security and filtering system. So it's another proposal with our security. The cost is $17,161.20 from the suggested plan of $27,457.92. So there's a discount of $10,296.72. This one is for

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12 months.

So we are going to do all three then. So the first two basically are the addendums for 36 months. Any questions or comments on the three proposals from IT?

MS. GUZMAN: None.

MR. GOMEZ: There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion approving the two A T & T 36-month addendums and the EC Cyber Solutions.

MS. GUZMAN: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have Gateway Maintenance Agreement from Multi Media. This is -- for the record, we do have Commissioner Rivera now present.

Gateway Maintenance Agreement for Multi Media. The actual usage custom service maintenance agreement service calls, 36-month cost usage for black and white is .005, for color is .047.

Any questions or comments on this customer service maintenance agreement with Gateway? (None)

There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion accepting Gateway's Maintenance Agreement from Multi Media.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have another one from IT, Xerox Endpoint XDR Solutions. Explanation, this is from, Kevin Klocek, System administrator. Xerox XDR, this approval request is for a fully monitored service for the Endpoint XDR Solution. Previously at the Board of Works meeting on 11/10/25, the Board approved a proposal for Sophos PC and Server Monitoring Software for the amount of $38,059.42. I did not execute that purchase, rather I have requested a proposal for another enhanced product, Endpoint, and I have found Endpoint Solutions to be a more robust monitoring application, and the proposed cost is $33,313.00, which is $4,746.42

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less than the Sophos product. Therefore I am requesting that the Board consider approval of the Endpoint XDR Solution for the cost of $33,315.00. This will also be replacing the Sophos agreement with ITSavvy/Xerox, which was never executed.

I did speak to Kevin, he meant to get this when he did the presentation before. He was actually waiting to get the second quote from this company. So when we decided to speak with them and saw it was less, he decided not to execute the other agreement.

MS. LEVINSON: Do we have to rescind anything? I know you said the agreement was not executed, but I don't know if we took any action.

MR. GOMEZ: I think we are going to have to rescind the other one. I don't know if we approved -- we need to rescind the one with Sophos before we approve of the new one with Xerox Endpoint.

I'd like to make a motion to rescind our previous approval for IT for the Sophos Monitoring Software, which at the time was $33,059.42.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

And now I'd like to make a motion to approve the IT request to replace that with Xerox Endpoint XDR Solution for the price of $33,315.00.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we move to a proposal from Public Works for Alert Alarm. This is a service agreement for fire and burglar alarms for the ECPD and 17 other locations. As I said, this is for fire and burglar alarms and the listed price for each one, the fire alarm, and the agreements for each location on the second page. The cost is $19,084.56.

Do we have any questions or comments on this proposal? (None)

There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion to approve the

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Public Works Alert Alarm Agreement for the ECPD and 17 City locations.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?
(All signify aye.)
MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.
Next, also from Public Works, we have the NWI Property Preservation 2026 rates, not-to-exceed $5,000.00.
Any questions or comments on this rate sheet? (None)
There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion to approve NWI Property Preservation proposal for Public Works.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?
(All signify aye.)
MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.
Next we have from Myers Builders 2026 rates, with not-to-exceed of $25,000.00 for Public Works. They also include their rates for other trade positions, and as I mentioned, not-to-exceed of $25,000.00.
Any questions or comments on this proposal from Myers Builders? (None)
There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion approving Myers Builders rate schedule for 2026 for Public Works.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?
(All signify aye.)
MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.
Next we have from Martinez Construction. They also have rate sheets for various jobs, transportation, not-to-exceed of $25,000.00.
Any questions or comments on the Martinez Construction schedule? (None)
There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion to approve Martinez Construction rate schedule for Public Works for 2026.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

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MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?
(All signify aye.)
MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.
Next we have from Schindler Elevator maintenance contract addendum. This concerns their wish to supplement our agreement between November 2019 and December 19, 2019. Basically the addendum is going to be a contract extension for a period of five years with an increase below of the monthly pricing. We have new monthly prices, which City of East Chicago, City Hall new amount is $1,347.43; East Chicago Public Safety Building new amount is $436.07; City of East Chicago Public Works, new amount of $254.32, and for East Chicago Maintenance, the new price is $215,323.00. Agreement extension will be from January 1st, 2026, through December 31, 2030.
Any questions or comments on this proposal from Schindler Elevator Corporation?

MS. GUZMAN: I just -- I don't know what page this is, but under the terms and conditions, paragraph item 7, interest on past due amounts; I think that should language should be struck out.

MR. GOMEZ: I'll talk to Jaylan. We've had Schindler servicing our elevators now for several years, but I'll speak to him.
Any other questions or comments?
(None)
There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion to approve Schindler Elevator Corporation maintenance agreement for Public Works with the condition that we talk to Public Works about striking out that language.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?
(All signify aye.)
MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.
Next we have a proposal from A Touch of Glory, not-to-exceed of $20,000.00 for Public Works and $20,000.00 for other departments. They provide cleaning services. Their 2026 rate table, not-to-exceed of $20,000.00 for both Public Works and other departments.
Are there any questions or comments on A Touch of Glory cleaning service rate schedule?
(None)

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There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion accepting A Touch of Glory's rate schedule for 2026 for Public Works.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have a proposal from Hammond Fence. It's also a rate, 2026 rate table, not-to-exceed of $25,000.00 for Public Works and for other departments. This is Hammond Fence again.

Any questions or comments on Hammond Fence proposal? (None)

There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion approving Hammond Fence 2026 rate schedule with a not-to-exceed of $25,000.00.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we come to outstanding invoices. We have six late invoices. I'll read each one and make a motion at the end.

The first one is from Public Works. It's for EC Safety, that's the vendor. One late invoice dated 3/1/25, amount of $45.00. Explanation: Due to typo, invoice was short paid by mistake.

Any questions or comments on this one? (None)

Next one from Multi Media. The paperwork says IT. The reason IT Department is listed on a lot of these are issues with Multi Media. The Mayor is having IT assist with purchase orders because they lost basically everybody in this department. For this late invoice -- we have 14 late invoices dated 11/4/24, $59.96; 12/5/24, $23.91. The rest are all from every month in 2025, from January to December. I am going to read the total of the entire thing for '24 and '25, the amount is $350.52. Explanation: These were overlooked by the previous Multi Media personnel.

So, if you recall from previous meetings, they have been having issues with their purchase orders and trying to catch up on everything.

Any questions or comments on this

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one from Gateway to Multi Media? (None)

The next one from DLZ Indiana from Engineering Department. We have four late invoices dated 10/28/25, 11/19/25, 10/2/25, 11/26/25, for total of $3,300.20. Explanation: Invoices were received on time but had to be approved by the engineer. By the time they were approved, they were over 60 days.

Any questions or comments on this one? (None)

Next we go to Rieth Riley from Engineering Department. This is one late invoice dated 5/25. Total amount is $2,129.73. Explanation: Invoice was received on time, but by the time it was confirmed by the Engineering Department, it was over 60 days.

Any questions or comments on this one? (None)

Next one from Northwestern University. It's for our Police Department. Two late invoices dated 7/2/25 and 10/31/25, for total of $5,400.00. Explanation: These invoices, they were e-mailed to the wrong department. E-mails were not submitted in the Service Division in a timely manner.

Any questions or comments on this one? (None)

The final one is from Cintas, also Police Department. It's dated 10/31/25, amount of $240.00. Explanation: Please excuse late invoice. Service Division did not submit in timely manner. The purchase order 257998 was on-hand for this.

Any questions on this one? (None)

There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion to approve the six aforementioned late invoices for payment.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Now we'll move on to proposals. We have several from the Police Department. First one is from Latin Media. We do have an explanation from the Police Department.

East Chicago Police Department is requesting approval of the attached MOU with Latin Media. They will assist the Police Department in obtaining numerous vendors to attend ECPD's community outreach programs, specifically for, but not limited to, National Night Out. These vendors will provide free

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information to our community during ECPD community events. Latin Media has the resources to obtain a broad spectrum of vendors with information/resources/services that benefit East Chicago residents. ECPD staff does not have the time or resources to perform this important task needed for successful community outreach. In addition, Latin Media will provide a donation for the Police Department's community outreach account and that information will be presented to the Board of Works for their approval. Thank you for your consideration.

This is the second year they have been using this firm. The last year I asked them how they came about using the firm. They said other police departments have been using them, and basically they do everything. They collect the information. They get the vendor. They pay for everything. And whatever is leftover, also they take a cut.

I asked the Police Department, I didn't see a percentage of what they provide. The Police Department said that they will speak to them. I don't know if there is a percentage. I asked last year and they said it was $500.00. They were satisfied with what they did for the presentations and how they did their presentations

I had questioned them about, are we going to have a meeting about this. But they were adamant they were happy with them because they came -- they don't have the personnel to do what they are doing and they advertise, and they are getting the proper service because they are doing the work and this firm is doing all the work. I have a meeting with them as the controller on Monday.

MR. RIVERA: They are involved in Crime Stoppers as well.

MR. GOMEZ: Are they?

MR. RIVERA: Yes. They are always on Channel 9 news, things of that nature, reporting anything that's happened. I've worked with them.

MR. GOMEZ: I knew something was brought up before.

MR. RIVERA: They are good at what they do.

MR. GOMEZ: So any questions or comments

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on Latin Media? (None)
There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion approving Latin Media's proposal for the Police Department for the next year, which I will speak to them, as I mentioned, and try to get more details, but I knew somebody knew now. I know we had the same discussion last year.

MS. LEVINSON: It's unusual there is no reference to how much they get paid or how --

MR. GOMEZ: And if you read this, the Law Department reviewed this. They said their exact total for so many pages, but they don't say much. But I know other police departments use them and everybody seems to be satisfied with what they do. Okay.
Next one is from Gary M. Durak, Ph.D. This is from the Police Department. Attached is an agreement for the fee for psychological evaluations. The fee is $395.00, 50 percent will be paid by the employee and the other 50 percent will be paid by ECPD pension. Funding has been secured for these fees and the other service contracts. And we do have a letter, I believe he's a psychologist and doctor. The letter indicates that the fee would be $395.00 from January 1st, 2026, through December 31, 2026. As I mentioned, it's 50/50 percent approved.
Any questions or comments on this proposal? (None)
There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion to approve Dr. Durak's proposal for ECPD.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?
(All signify aye.)
MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.
Next we have proposal from Casa Lupita's. ECPD is requesting approval of the attached contract to this vendor providing prisoner meals for the Police Department as needed. In the letter they sent they had to increase the cost across the board. They had to raise their prices, which for this year will be one cold cut sandwich, one bag of chips, a bottle of water at $7.25 per meal.
Any questions or comments on this proposal? (None)
There being no further questions or

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comments, I'd like to make a motion approving Casa Lupita's proposal to the Police Department for prisoner meals.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have the ShotSpotter Connect for the Police Department. We have had this for several years now. ECPD is requesting approval of the attached contract/agreement. ShotSpotter Connect is a patrol management software developed by ShotSpotter, Inc., designed to help law enforcement agencies effectively manage directed patrol and analyze crime data. It provides AI driven risk assessments to optimize patrol strategies, ensuring officers are at the right place at the right time to deter crime. The software enhances community engagement and the resource allocation by connecting patrol activities with crime prevention strategies. Recent upgrades have added features for better reporting and data visualization, making it a valuable tool for precision policing. Funds have been budgeted in the Police Department 2026 general budget to pay for this. Thank you for your consideration.

We do have ShotSpotter's proposal, which is for $209,431.00. Any questions or comments? (None)

There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion to approve ShotSpotter Connect's proposal with the ECPD.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have from the Controller's Office, we have three customer service maintenance agreements. This is for the Controller's office for printers. Their Konika/Minolta printers, like the ones we mentioned earlier. They are billed on actual monthly usage. This calls for .005 for black and white and point 047 for color.

Any questions or comments on these two continued maintenance agreements with Gateway? (None)

There being no further questions or

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comments, I'd like to make a motion approving Gateway Business Systems Customer Service Agreement for the Controller's office for their printers.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have Alert Alarm. We have the agreement for Security and we have the agreement for Fire. The agreement for Security cost was $52.00 a month for security alarm monitoring with cellular communicator and open/close reports payable at $156.00 quarterly fees. As I mentioned, this is a three-year term.

The Fire alarm is similar, three-year term. It's $51.00 per month for the fire alarm monitoring with cellular communicator payable $153.00 quarterly. Service term is the three years.

Are there any questions or comments on this proposal for providing Fire and and Security at City Hall? (None)

There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion approving Alert Alarm's proposal for City Hall Fire and Security?

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have from A & Z Engineering, we have a proposal for 2026 to 2027 on-call professional engineering consultant services. The Engineering Department submitted the 2026/2027 on-call service contract, which includes employee rate schedule for the City of East Chicago with different transportation and rate schedules, and this provides various engineering services as requested. The Engineering Department has requested a not-to-exceed of $50,000.00. It's a two-year service agreement and there are rate schedules for different positions in their firm.

Are there any questions or comments on this proposal from A & Z Engineering? (None)

There being no further questions or comments, I'd like make a motion approving A & Z Engineering's proposal for professional services with our Engineering Department.

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MS. GUZMAN: Second.
MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?
(All signify aye.)
MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.
Next we have from First Group Engineering, we have the agreement between the City of East Chicago Board of Public Works and First Group Engineering. This is their City of East Chicago contract for general engineering services and meetings. On here it identifies Section I, to provide services. Appendix D has the compensation and not-to-exceed of $30,000.00. This has their rate schedule on Appendix D on positions.
Any questions or comments on this proposal? (None)
There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion approving First Group Engineering's proposal to provide a contract for general engineering services with our Engineering Department.
MR. RIVERA: Second.
MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?
(All signify aye.)
MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.
Next we have from a proposal from Short Elliott Hendrickson. This is for the Marquette Greenway Trail. This is a local public agency consulting contract. The project description is construction inspection for multi-use trail segment of Marquette Trail from Indianapolis Boulevard to Kennedy Avenue in East Chicago.
Section I, their main options are, Section I, services provided by consultant herein described in Appendix A.
Section II, Information and services to be furnished by the LPA.
Section III is terms. The term is from completion of the construction contract, which is June 11th, of 2027. Term continues until that date.
Section IV, compensation. City pays services performed under the contract as set forth in Appendix D, which has a not-to-exceed of $264,600.00. They also have the rate schedule for their services.
Section V has the Notice to Proceed and the schedule, which is Appendix C.
Are there any questions or comments

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on Short Elliott Hendrickson's proposal for Marquette Greenway Trail? (None)

There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to motion accepting Short Elliott Hendrickson's proposal for the Marquette Greenway Trail.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we come to right-of-way applications. We have Board of Public Works permit applications 26-05339 to 26-05269.

Any questions or comments on these aforementioned applications? (None)

There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion approving the Board of Public Works permit applications.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

That concludes the New Business. We'll to Other Business. We have had to add some items that we had because they were suppose to be added during the last meeting, because I had to do the agenda for last meeting there is some things I missed.

So, the first one is with JWF Administrative Services Agreement with the Law Department. JWF acts as the administrator providing claims administration services to its clients, which include employers who are subject to workers' compensation regulations in their respective States and/or related property and casualty coverages and exposure. Our Law Department uses them for the property and casualty coverage and exposure.

Under the agreement, Section I, appointment of administrator. Employer appoints and authorizes administrator to provide the claims administration services described here in in connection with claims or losses under polices of insurance issued pursuant to programs. Such authority will apply to those claims or losses reported during the term and will be subject to oversight by employer.

Section II, Term of Agreement. Shall commence on 2/14/26, the effective date and

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terminate on February 14, 2029. This is a three-year agreement. Unless earlier terminated by a Party in accordance with Section II of this Agreement.

Section III, Duties of Administrator. And Section 3 through Section 20, addendum for compensation. The addendum has the rates generated per claim. So it lists the payment which will be by the month, amount per claim. For example, out of general liability, for Training, $600.00 monthly. We have another general fee of $950.00, and it goes on to comprehensive different prices.

Unless I missed something, I don't see a not-to-exceed. They do have an annual amount of 24,000. I don't believe I see a not-to-exceed. We'll ask the Law Department and we'll have to add a not-to-exceed.

Any other questions or comments?

(None)

There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion approving JWF's Administrative Service Agreement with the Law Department, with the condition they get us a not-to-exceed.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have, this is from the Idea Factory. This is a company that's been doing our newsletter for the past couple years. This is the 2026 newsletter. Even though this is Multi Media, the IT Department is assisting Multi Media with their proposals. They do have -- Kevin Klocek submitted a description.

The Agreement for the Idea Factory is produce custom content and design of 12 6-page monthly newsletters featuring the City of East Chicago news and issues. The cost is $3,500.00 per issue, which includes stock images, custom graphics, and photography. The total amount of the Agreement for 2026 is $42,000.00. I talked to Kevin and that's a not-to-exceed.

Any questions or comments on the proposal for our 2026 newsletter from Idea Factory?

MS. GUZMAN: They do a really good job.

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MR. GOMEZ: I think last week this did it for the meeting.

MR. RIVERA: They did such a good job, I gave them a telephone call.

MR. GOMEZ: Any further questions or comments? (None)

There being no further questions or comments, I'd like to make a motion to approve the Multi Media request for Idea Factory's 2026 newsletter, City newsletter.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?

(All signify aye.)

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

The final one is a request from Parks Department. This is for ServiScape. This is for MacArthur Golf Course. This is for the maintenance of the golf course. I did talk to Marino before the meeting, because last year we had the same proposal. So the proposal includes labor, material and supplies at %105,596.00; management fee of $44,558.00. The total comes to $150,154.00.

I checked on last year and the last few years at every meeting we had, we always explained to the Parks Department, we are approving the funding. Last year was CEDIF, the year before it was Gaming. I mentioned we did a similar action by approving the proposal, we are just doing the funding. Kind of like we do with the Water Department, where we do the funding and they have to put it in their report.

So, I told him that we are approving the funds, but you are not taking it to the Board. I told him about that. He hasn't done that yet, so in effect we are dealing with approving the funds without approving the proposal from the Board. So I was pretty explicit to him, they have to follow through. He assured me they were. We are going to check to make sure of their actions.

For our action today, we are -- are there any questions or comments? (None)

I'd like to make a motion approving the payment of ServiScape's Service agreement with the Park Department for MacArthur Golf Course with the condition that the Park Department Board approve the proposal.

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MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?
(All signify aye.)
MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.
That concludes all our business under New and Other Business.
We have no other items on the agenda for tonight. Our next regular meeting will be Thursday, February 26th, at 4:30 p.m.
That concludes all items for tonight, I'd like to make a motion for adjournment.

MR. RIVERA: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: All in favor say aye?
(All signify aye.)
MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.
Meeting adjourned.

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Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of
February 12, 2026
Approved and Signed February 12, 2026.

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Val Gomez, President

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Winna Guzman, Vice President

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Frank Rivera, member

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Olga Cosme, Secretary

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

Dated at Munster, Indiana, this 17th day of February, 2026.



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