

CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

BOARD MEMBERS

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

Special Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 5, 2021 @ 12:00 p.m.

Reported for Fissinger & Associates
By: Lisa Pena

CALL TO ORDER: 12:11 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Val Gomez, William Allen, Winna Guzman.

STAFF PRESENT: Carla Morgan.

MINUTES: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

MR. GOMEZ: We have two items in New Business. First one is Hasse Construction Homerlee Avenue Reconstruction Project. We have the Notice of Award, Homerlee Avenue Reconstruction from 148th Street to 151st Street.

Notice of Award to Hasse Construction Project description, this work shall include but not limited to the reconstruction of the pavement, concrete sidewalks, storm and sanitary sewers, concrete curb, gutters and the water main and water service lines on Homerlee from 148th to 151st Street, East Chicago, Indiana.

The Owner has considered a proposal submitted by you for the above described work in response to the City's request and instructions to bidders.

It is the intent of the Owners to accept your proposal and enter into a contract for the items listed in the proposal in the amount of \$4,350,000.

It is required by instruction to bidders to exclude a Contract Agreement and furnish the required Performance

1 Agreement and Payment Bond within seven calendar from the
2 date of this notice to you.

3 Is there anything you want to add from Engineering?

4 So that's for the Notice of Award. We also have
5 the Agreement, the Contract for Homerlee Avenue
6 Reconstruction to 148th Street.

7 The Contract, this Agreement is made and entered
8 into the 5th day of May 2021 by and between the Board of
9 Public Works, City of East Chicago, party of the first part
10 herein referred to as the Owner and of the party of the
11 second part herein referred to as Contractor, for the
12 reconstruction of Homerlee Avenue from 148th Street to 151st
13 Street.

14 As I mentioned before the amount is \$4,350,000.

15 Are there any questions or comments on the Notice
16 to Proceed or the Contract Agreement so far?

17 MS. MORGAN: I have a comment for the record. The
18 Contract Agreement was updated from what was put in the bid
19 packet. It was updated to better reflect our local hiring
20 and EEO requirements.

21 And like I said if there's a dispute that arises
22 under the Contract, then of course that has to be appealed to
23 the Board of Public Works. And other things like Indiana Law
24 applies as far as if there's a dispute beyond the Board of
25 Public Works.

So I just wanted to make it known on the record
that it's been updated.

MR. GOMEZ: So they're aware that it's been updated?

MS. MORGAN: Well, before they sign it they're going to
review it. But I just wanted to make it publicly known that
it's been updated.

MR. GOMEZ: So we mentioned Notice to Award, the
Contract Agreement. And we also have before us the Notice to
Proceed for Hasse Construction on this project.

Are there any questions or comments on these three
items, the Notice to Award, the Agreement and the Notice to
Proceed?

1 Questions/Comments: None.

2 Motion to approve Hasse Construction Homerlee Avenue
3 Reconstruction Project Notice of Award, Agreement and Notice
to Proceed 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 item on our agenda we have a Compliance
7 Contract, Contract for Professional Services between the City
of East Chicago and Carl Ridle, Compliance Officer for 2021.

8 It is agreed between the City of East Chicago by
9 and through its Board of Public Works and Carl Ridle whereas
East Chicago Municipal Corporation organized in accordance
with the Laws of the State of Indiana;

10 Whereas the City has need of a Compliance Officer
11 to monitor qualified City funded construction projects and
other projects for compliance with terms of the contracts as
12 well as compliance with City Ordinances, State or Federal
Laws and provide reporting to the City;

13 Whereas Carl Ridle represents and acknowledges that
14 he is experienced in the area of Contract Compliance, EEO
Investigations, Reporting Labor Relations, Outreach to Unions
15 and other related matters having previously serviced as a
Director of Human Rights and Compliance Officer in Michigan
16 City, Indiana in addition to other law enforcement and
related employment experiences with State and Federal
Government.

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18 Now wherefore the City wishes to enter into a
contract for Professional Services by and through its Board
19 of Public Works with Carl Ridle, hereinafter Ridle, to
provide assistance to the City as follows.

20 And we have the Contract for Professional Services.
21 And I believe it would be for \$20 per hour not to exceed
\$30,000.

22 Are there any other comments or questions from the
23 Commissioners or our Attorney? Any other comments?

24 MS. MORGAN: No. Just that we hope this Board approves
it so we can have some oversight.

25 MR. GOMEZ: Any other questions or comments from the

1 Commissioners on the Contract?

2 Is this for one year, the Contract?

3 MS. MORGAN: Yes.

4 MR. GOMEZ: So we'll go from May 2021 to May 2022.

5 Questions/Comments: None.

6 Motion to approve Carl Ridle Compliance Contract made by
7 William Allen. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

10 OTHER BUSINESS: None.

11 * Next Regular Meeting Date: Wednesday, May 12,
12 2021 @ 4:30 p.m.

13 Motion to adjourn made by William Allen. Second by Winna
14 Guzman.

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

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18 * Meeting ended at 12:19 p.m.

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Approval of the Special Meeting Minutes of
Wednesday, May 5, 2021

Approved and Signed _____

Val Gomez, President

William Allen, Vice President

Winna Guzman, Member

Olga Cosme, Board Secretary

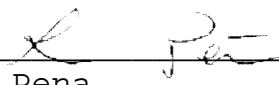
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C E R T I F I C A T E

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 10th day of May, 2021.



Lisa Pena
Notary Public Porter County
Certified Shorthand Reporter
License Number 084-003483

