

CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

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Val Gomez, President
Winna Guzman, Vice President
Douglas Powers, Member

Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 8, 2021 @ 4:30 p.m.
Reported for Fissinger & Associates
By: Lisa Pena

CALL TO ORDER: 4:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Val Gomez, Winna Guzman,
Douglas Powers.

STAFF PRESENT: Carla Morgan, Richard Morrisroe,
James Portalatin, Olga Cosme.

MINUTES: Special Meeting October 22, 2021
Regular Meeting October 25, 2021

Questions/Comments: None.

Motion to approve October 22, 2021 Special Meeting
Minutes and October 25, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes made by
Doug Powers. 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 the 2021 Phase 5 Board of Safety Demolition
of Unsafe Structures from the Building Department.

MR. PORTALATIN: Good evening, Mr. President, Board
Members. James Portalatin, East Chicago Building Department.

First we received three bids. The first bid was
received from Actin, Incorporated.

1 For the property located at 4831 McCook, front and
garage, \$15,714. 3911 McCook, front and garage, \$10,003.50.
2 514 Spring, front and garage, \$11,214. 5432 Wegg, front and
garage, \$18,665. 3446 Fir, front and garage, \$20,081. 3926
3 Alexander \$9,165.

4 For Group 3, garage onllys, we're removing 3820 Ivy
as the owner did some repairs to it. So we will not be
5 demolishing that property. But 3930 Fir, garage, \$5,490.
3919 Butternut \$4,500. 4509 Tod \$4,500. And 3809 Deal
6 \$4,500.

7 MR. GOMEZ: I see here 522 West 151st?

8 MR. PORTALATIN: Those are also removed.

9 MR. GOMEZ: That's removed too?

10 MR. PORTALATIN: Yeah. That one, 522 West 151st garage
and 3928 Fir.

11 MR. GOMEZ: This was Actin?

12 MR. PORTALATIN: This was Actin. They had given me a
13 total here. But it would be minus the \$4,500. So
\$108,332.50 minus \$4,500.

14 MR. POWERS: 104,000.

15 MR. PORTALATIN: \$108,332.50 but minus 4,500. So that
16 would be what, 103,732.

17 MR. POWERS: 800.

18 MR. PORTALATIN: Next this is from JM Industrial
Services. So the property located at 4831 McCook, front and
19 garage, \$8,600. 3911 McCook \$8,100. 514 Spring \$8,800.
5432 Wegg \$11,200. 3446 Fir \$16,100. 3926 Alexander \$8,200.
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21 For Group 3 garage only. 3930 Fir \$4,200. 3919
Fir \$4,200. 4509 Tod \$3,200. And 3809 Deal \$4,800. For a
total of \$77,400.

22 The last one that was received was from Richardson
23 Disposal. First property 4831 McCook \$8,900. 3911 McCook
\$8,200. 514 Spring 9,200. 5432 Wegg \$18,900. 3446 Fir
24 \$29,660. 3926 Alexander \$7,100. 3820 Ivy, garage, \$4,320.

25 I am sorry. We removed that one. We removed 3820

1 Ivy.

2 It's 3930 Fir \$4,650. 3919 Butternut \$4,325. 4509
3 Tod \$2,000. 3809 Deal \$4,000.

4 MR. GOMEZ: Those are all the bids?

5 MR. PORTALATIN: Those are all the bids.

6 MR. GOMEZ: You're going to review to make sure all the
7 paperwork is proper and get back to us?

8 MR. PORTALATIN: Yes. At the end of the meeting.

9 MR. GOMEZ: So you'll get back to us at this meeting
10 then?

11 MR. PORTALATIN: Yes. Correct.

12 MR. GOMEZ: Make sure you shout so I don't go quickly.

13 MR. PORTALATIN: I definitely will.

14 MR. GOMEZ: Next on our agenda we have the Notice to
15 Proceed for Richardson Disposal. This is for 3550
16 Pennsylvania demolition. The contract is dated May 12, 2021.

17 Any questions or comments on the Notice to Proceed
18 for Richardson Disposal?

19 Questions/Comments: None.

20 Motion to approve Richardson Disposal Notice to Proceed made
21 by Doug Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

22 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.

23 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

24 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have another Notice to Proceed with
25 Contractor JM Industrial Services for demolition at 4715
Alexander and 4717 Alexander. Contract date October 28,
2020.

Any questions or comments on this notice to
proceed?

Questions/Comments: None.

1 Motion to approve JM Industrial Notice to Proceed made by
2 Doug Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

5 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have JM Industrial Notice of Award.
6 This is a contract of service for properties awarded 10/25
7 for the 2021 Phase 5 Board of Safety Demolition of Unsafe
8 Structures. The amount is for \$30,220.

9 Worksites are 505 Grove Street, 507 Grove Street,
10 416 Spring Street, 418 Spring Street and 420 Spring Street.

11 This is a demolition contract between the City of
12 East Chicago Board of Works and JM Industrial Services.

13 Are there any questions or comments on this
14 contract and Notice of Award?

15 MR. PORTALATIN: I just want to make one correction.
16 You said Phase 5. I believe this is Phase 4.

17 MR. GOMEZ: Phase 4. Thank you.

18 MR. PORTALATIN: You're welcome.

19 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

20 Questions/Comments: None.

21 Motion to approve JM Industrial Notice of Award made by Doug
22 Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

25 MR. PORTALATIN: Thank you.

MR. GOMEZ: Thank you. Next we'll move on to Bid
Openings for the Following Projects from Engineering. First
item on our agenda is 129th Street and Dickey Road
Intersection.

MR. ALLEN: Hello. William Allen, Engineering
Department. We have two bids for the first project.

The first one is for 129th Street and Dickey Road
Intersection improvements from Milestone Contractors North,

1 Inc. located at 1700 East Main Street, Griffith, Indiana.

2 Base bid amount is \$1,842,565.65.

3 Must I also read out the award criteria figure?

4 MS. MORGAN: You should read them both out.

5 MR. ALLEN: Okay. The award criteria number is
6 \$1,814,190.14.

7 MR. GOMEZ: Which company was this?

8 MR. ALLEN: This is Milestone Contractors.

9 The next one is from Reith & Riley Construction
10 Company located at 7500 West 5th Avenue, Gary, Indiana.

11 Base bid amount is \$1,834,807.65. The award
12 criteria figure is \$1,777,011.22.

13 So that's the first batch for the 129th
14 Intersection Improvement Project.

15 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Kennedy Avenue Reconstruction
16 from Chicago Avenue to Michigan Street.

17 MR. ALLEN: For Kennedy Avenue Roadway Improvements the
18 first bid package is from Milestone Contractors North, 1700
19 East Main Street, Griffith, Indiana.

20 Base bid is \$2,373,296. The award criteria figure
21 is \$2,336,747.24.

22 Next bid is from Reith & Riley Construction Company
23 located 7500 West 5th Avenue, Gary, Indiana.

24 Base bid amount is \$2,680,835.88. The award
25 criteria figure is \$2,596,389.53.

And that is it for the Kennedy Avenue Roadway
Improvement.

MR. GOMEZ: Next is Prairie Crossings.

MR. ALLEN: We have three. First one is from Milestone
Contractors North, Inc. located at 1700 East Main Street,
Griffith, Indiana.

1 Base bid amount is \$664,182. The award criteria
figure is \$653,953.60.

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3 Next we have Hasse Construction Company located at
10 Lincoln Avenue, P.O. Box 300, Calumet City, Illinois.

4 Base bid amount is \$814,124. The award criteria
figure is \$801,586.49.

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6 And last we have Reith & Riley Construction Company
located at 7500 West 5th Avenue, Gary, Indiana.

7 Base bid amount is \$836,529.85. The award criteria
figure is \$810,179.16.

8 That was the last one for Prairie Crossings.

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10 MR. GOMEZ: We have Police Station Parking Lot.

11 MR. ALLEN: Looks like we have four. The first one is
from Advantage Paving Solutions, Inc. located at 20502 South
Cherry Hill Road, Joliet, Illinois.

12 Base bid amount is \$455,048.14. The award criteria
figure is \$455,048.14.

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14 Next we have Milestone Contractors North, Inc.
located at 1700 East Main Street, Griffith, Indiana.

15 Base bid amount is \$591,059. Award criteria figure
is \$581,956.69.

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17 Next we have Reith & Riley Construction Company,
Inc. located 7500 West 5th Avenue, Gary, Indiana.

18 Base bid amount is \$502,032.90. And the award
criteria figure is \$486,218.87.

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20 Last we have CNB Construction located at 1114 West
Lincoln Highway, Schererville, Indiana.

21 Base bid amount is \$371,588. Award criteria figure
is \$357,728.86.

22 That's it for the parking lot.

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24 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Intersection Striping Project.

25 MR. ALLEN: We did not receive any bids.

1 MR. GOMEZ: No bids for the Intersection Striping
2 Project. We'll move on to the Citywide Curb Painting.

3 MR. ALLEN: Citywide Curb Painting the first sealed bid
4 is from NWI Property Preservation, LLC located at 3937 Main
5 Street, East Chicago, Indiana. Total amount \$156,720.

6 The next one is from Regional Services located at
7 1220 Carroll Street, East, Chicago, Indiana. Total amount is
8 \$135,000.

9 And then last we have Calumet Waste and Recycling
10 located at 1101 East 139th Street, East Chicago, Indiana. It
11 looks like it's just rates.

12 So they have a unit rate of \$19.50 to basically do
13 the service for painting curbs. And then to stencil they
14 have a unit price of \$35.

15 I am sorry. And this is all by per lineal foot.
16 But I am seeing a do not exceed amount of \$175,000.

17 MR. GOMEZ: Moving on to the last one, Homerlee Avenue
18 Alley on 4100 block.

19 MR. ALLEN: We have one sealed bid from Hasse
20 Construction Company located at 10 Lincoln Avenue, P.O. Box
21 300, Calumet City, Illinois. Total price is \$51,500.

22 That concludes the openings.

23 MR. GOMEZ: That concludes our bids. Thank you. You'll
24 review and come back with your recommendation?

25 MR. ALLEN: Yes. For most of these it's going to be the
next upcoming meeting. We may ask to come back up and give a
recommendation on one or two of these projects.

MR. GOMEZ: Okay. Next on our agenda we have Conflict
of Interest Disclosure Statement.

I believe no motion is needed. We'll just enter it
into the record. It has already been signed by the
Administration and all the interested parties.

Am I correct, Carla, because there's no signature
for the Board?

MS. MORGAN: Right. You're correct that the Board just

1 acknowledges that it received this.

2 MR. GOMEZ: Okay. So like I said we'll just put it
3 into the record that it was brought before the Board and we
4 acknowledge it.

4 Any questions or comments?

5 Next on our agenda we have the Compliance Reports
6 for Block Stadium Phase 5 for Midwestern Electric and
7 Mechanical Concepts.

7 Any Compliance Reports? Anybody to speak on them?

8 MR. POWERS: Our Compliance Officer wasn't able to make
9 it today. However these are just statements for the record.

10 And if you were to look at the first document that
11 was attached as the notice, that is to go out to the
12 contractor along with the supporting documents in greater
13 detail as to why these damages are listed accordingly.

14 So I don't believe, Carla, if I'm not mistaken I
15 don't believe any formal action is needed. This is just for
16 the record.

14 MS. MORGAN: Right.

15 MR. GOMEZ: That's our usual practice. We just enter it
16 into the record.

17 MS. MORGAN: I think in the past we have read the final
18 determination of damages into the record. If you want me to,
19 I can read it for you.

19 MR. GOMEZ: Okay.

20 MS. MORGAN: For Block Stadium Improvements Phase 5
21 Midwestern Electric Company as General Contractor for that
22 section of this job the damages total \$15,899.87 of which
23 \$13,390.27 are the contract damages for residency numbers.
24 And \$2,509.60 is for missing the contract amounts for
25 minority and female labor participation.

23 I'll go on to the next one. I'm scrolling down.
24 There's quite a bit of documentation here. Give me a second.

25 So for Block Stadium Phase 5 HVAC which had
Mechanical Concepts as the General Contractor the damages

1 amount overall is \$11,803.80.

2 Pursuant to the contract this includes \$9,232 in
3 residency penalties for failing to meet the contract amount
4 for labor participation for local residents and \$2,571.80 for
5 missing the EEO minority and female labor participation goals
6 for that.

7 So those are the two reports. And again as
8 Mr. Powers stated the Board just acknowledge receipt of it
9 and moves on.

10 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

11 MS. GUZMAN: Just a quick note. For the actual letter
12 in the third paragraph just the sentence there. I'm sorry.
13 This is for Midwestern Electric.

14 Just to note where it says total of 0 hours and in
15 parentheses it says 5 and then work has been approved by 0
16 then in parentheses 2.

17 That needs to be changed to 0 on both of those just
18 to make a note.

19 MR. GOMEZ: Okay. Any other comments or questions?

20 We'll move on to Outstanding Invoices. First one
21 we have is for the police department. I believe this is the
22 one we tabled last meeting because we needed the agreement.

23 We have a late invoice for the Tow Truck Invoices.
24 We have an invoice from Caruthers dated 6/6/21 for \$6,200 and
25 one for Air One Service dated 6/26/21 for \$5,960, an invoice
for S&S dated 6/29/21 for \$3,920 and a late invoice from
Trevino dated 6/18/21 in the amount of \$4,800 for a total of
\$20,880.

The explanation was it was an oversight. They were
was submitted late to the Service Division. The services
have been rendered. These services were needed for Public
Works to sweep the streets. This was from the Police
Department.

Are there any questions or comments on this late
invoice?

MR. POWERS: No. I guess the only one would be that
Caruthers doesn't have an invoice number.

1 MR. GOMEZ: I don't know if it's with the others in our
2 packet. I didn't bring all the details with me.

3 Any other questions or comments?

4 Questions/Comments: None.

5 Motion to approve Tow Truck Invoices Outstanding Invoices
6 made by Doug Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

9 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have the late invoice from the IT
10 Department. This is for Vermillion. We have one late
11 invoice dated 4/20/20 for services from 1/1/20 through
12 3/31/20 in the amount of \$4,195.68.

13 Explanation from IT is camera installation was not
14 completed correctly at the time the invoice came. It is now
15 completed. So the invoice can be processed.

16 Any questions or comments on this late invoice?

17 Questions/Comments: None.

18 Motion to approve Vermillion Systems Outstanding Invoice made
19 by Doug Powers. 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 is from the Fire
23 Department. It is a proposal from Elite Public Safety
24 Consulting. We have a letter from the Fire Chief.

25 Unfortunately I'm unable to attend today's meeting.
I am asking the Board to please approved the contract with
Elite Public Safety.

Elite Public Safety will be an internal part of
upgrading and preparing the Fire Department for the future.

This future is focused on better development skills
and communications for a safer and more productive Fire
Department.

Thank you and feel free to reach out with any
questions. Damon Carpenter, Fire Chief East Chicago Fire

1 Department.

2 The details on this agreement are these are for
3 classes for all three shifts based on the cost of \$2,000 per
4 day times three days plus \$266.38 for hotel for a total of
5 \$6,266.38.

6 Any questions or comments on this proposal for the
7 Fire Department?

8 Questions/Comments: None.

9 Motion to approve Elite Public Safety Consulting Proposal
10 made by Doug Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

13 MR. GOMEZ: Next we come to Purchase of Vehicles. These
14 are for the Water Department. We have three proposals. One
15 for 2022 Ford Explorer and 2021 F-350 Chassis 4 by 4.
16 Another one for 2021 John Deere 320 G Skid Steers and 2022
17 Felling 12 Foot Trailer. And one for 2022 F-350 Chassis
18 4 by 4 SD Crew Cab.

19 MS. GUZMAN: I will speak on behalf of the Water
20 Department or Alan Lee. He is not able to be here today.

21 This is again for the purchase of one 2022 F-350
22 Chassis 4 by 4 ST Regular Cab in the amount \$51,560, one 2022
23 Ford Explorer in the amount of \$28,760 for a total of
24 \$80,320.

25 The truck will be assigned to the Department of
Waterworks Distribution Division. And the 2022 Ford Explorer
will be assigned to the Department of Waterworks.

The funding source will be from Seeded. And this
has been approved by the Mayor's Office.

Upon Board of Public Works consideration and
approval today this will be presented for ratification before
the next Board of Waterworks Meeting.

MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on this first
purchase?

Questions/Comments: None.

1 Motion to approve Purchase of Vehicles Proposal made by Doug
Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

4 MS. GUZMAN: The second purchase would be one 2021 John
5 Deere 320 G Skid Steers in the amount of \$74,200, one 2022
6 Felling 12 L Trailer for \$9,300 for a total of \$83,500.

7 Again assigned to the Department of Waterworks
8 Distribution Division. The funding source will be from
9 Seeded. And this has been approved by the Mayor's Office.

10 And again upon approval today before this Board
11 this will presented for ratification before the next
12 Waterworks Board Meeting.

13 MR. GOMEZ: Any further questions or comments on this
14 proposal?

15 Questions/Comments: None.

16 Motion to approve Purchase of Vehicles Proposal made by Doug
17 Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

20 MS. GUZMAN: And the final, this is for one 2022 F-350
21 Chassis 4 X 4 SD Crew Cab totaling \$82,298.

22 This price is valid until this Friday, November 12.
23 And if the PO is not received by then, this will increase the
24 price to 2013 (sic) pricing which would substantially
25 increase the amount.

26 This crew truck will be assigned to the Department
27 of Waterworks Distribution Division again. Funding source
28 will be from Seeded. And it has been approved by the Mayor's
29 Office.

30 Again upon this Board's consideration and approval
31 today it will be presented before the Board of Waterworks for
32 ratification.

33 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on this purchase?

1 Questions/Comments: None.

2 Motion to approve Vehicle Purchase Proposal made by Doug
3 Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

6 MR. GOMEZ: Next on our agenda we have from Gariup
7 Change Orders 12 and 13 for Block Stadium Phase 5.

8 I do have an e-mail from Keith Selvie, Project
9 Director of City of East Chicago.

10 Public Works Agenda Item's Explanation, Block
11 Stadium Phase 5 with Gariup, Change Order Number 12 in the
12 amount of \$1,054.

13 This was to provide labor and materials and
14 equipment to pour concrete at downspout areas and existing
15 concourse.

16 The total was \$1,054. And Mr. Selvie is approving
17 this work.

18 Are there any questions or comments on Change Order
19 Number 12 for Block Stadium Phase 5 Revised.

20 Questions/Comments: None.

21 Motion to approve Gariup Change Order Number 12 made by Doug
22 Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

25 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Block Stadium Phase 5 also from
Gariup Change Order Number 13.

This is to provide labor and material and equipment
to install pitching mounds and home plate in the home and
visitors' ball pins.

Total cost \$2,659. This is also approved by our
Project Manager Keith Selvie.

Any questions or comments on this Change Order?

1 Questions/Comments: None.

2 Motion to approve Gariup Change Order Number 13 made by Doug
3 Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

6 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have First Group Engineering,
7 Supplemental Number 2 for the Roxana Neighborhood Storm and
8 Sanitary. This is from Engineering.

9 MR. ALLEN: Hello. This supplemental is a no dollar
10 change. Meaning that there is no increase in funding that's
11 needed for this. This is just purely a change in their
12 rates.

13 From July to June their rates changed. So this is
14 just them asking us to acknowledge it.

15 MR. GOMEZ: We're acknowledging their rate schedule
16 change?

17 MR. ALLEN: Yes.

18 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on this
19 Supplemental Agreement Number 2?

20 Questions/Comments: None.

21 Motion to approve First Group Engineering Supplemental Number
22 2 made by Doug Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

25 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Robinson Engineering. This is
for CE for Homerlee Avenue from West 148th Street to 151st
Street.

MR. ALLEN: The Engineering Department would like to
move forward with Robinson Engineering for construction
engineering services. Meaning that they'll tag along and
supervise this project for the City in the amount of
\$229,000.

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

1 Questions/Comments: None.

2 Motion to approve Robinson Engineering Proposal made by Doug
3 Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

6 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have from SEH Engineering Services
7 129th Roundabout. This is also from Engineering.

8 MR. ALLEN: The Engineering Department would like to
9 move forward with SEH for their construction supervision
10 services for the intersection of Dickey and 129th
11 Intersection Improvement Project in the amount of \$194,000.

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

13 Questions/Comments: None.

14 Motion to approve SEH Engineering Services Proposal made by
15 Doug Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

18 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have IN-DOT Highway Utility
19 Agreement, Intersection of US 12, Columbus Drive and McShane.
20 This is also from Engineering.

21 MR. ALLEN: So at the intersection of Columbus Drive and
22 McShane and Railroad IN-DOT has an Intersection Improvement
23 Project that they want to execute sometime next year. Our
24 water main is in conflict with their improvements. And we
25 have an estimated cost of around \$157,630. Just based of how
bids and prices are coming back for construction work, the
Engineering Department notices that this may be a low
estimate. So we are accompanying this agreement with a
letter from our Department to IN-DOT and to the Board of
Works stating that we would like a \$200,000 budget to take
care of our obligation for this project.

So this money will be going to IN-DOT. The PO
would be opened up with the intention of paying IN-DOT for
this job.

MR. GOMEZ: Not to exceed 200,000?

MR. ALLEN: Correct.

1 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on the proposal?

2 Questions/Comments: None.

3 Motion to approve IN-DOT Highway Utility Agreement made by
4 Doug Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

7 MR. GOMEZ: We'll move on to the next one. We have from
8 Northwest Industrial, Blinking Pedestrian Signs from
9 Engineering also.

10 MR. ALLEN: So this is a proposal to enhance the
11 intersection of Alder and Columbus Drive with pedestrian
12 blinking lights and signage that will help pedestrians as
13 they're crossing the intersection.

14 These aren't meant to be permanent signs at the
15 moment.

16 MR. GOMEZ: This is for \$8,885.

17 MR. ALLEN: Yes. I'm sorry. Grand total is \$8,885.12.

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

19 Questions/Comments: None.

20 Motion to approve Northwest Industrial Blinking Pedestrian
21 Signs Proposal made by Doug Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

24 MR. ALLEN: If I may, Board Members, I have two projects
25 that the Engineering Department would like to make a
26 recommendation for award. If we can take care of that as
27 well.

28 MR. GOMEZ: From the bids?

29 MR. ALLEN: From the bids opened up earlier. The two
30 projects being the Citywide Curb Painting and the Homerlee
31 Avenue Alley for 4100 block.

32 MR. GOMEZ: Okay. For the curb painting.

1 MR. ALLEN: For the curb painting we would like to move
2 forward with Regional Services in the amount of \$135,000.
3 They were the lowest bidder as well as they have a shorter
4 timeframe for completing the service.

5 They have 60 to 90 days versus five months for the
6 next lowest bidder.

7 MR. GOMEZ: The recommendation is for Regional Services
8 for \$135,000. And they're the lowest and most responsible.

9 Any questions or comments?

10 MS. GUZMAN: When will this take place?

11 MR. ALLEN: Spring of 2022.

12 MR. GOMEZ: Any other questions or comments?

13 Questions/Comments: None.

14 Motion to approve Regional Services Recommendation made by
15 Doug Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

18 MR. ALLEN: The second project is the Homerlee Avenue
19 Alley and 4100 Block. We would like to move forward with
20 Hasse Construction in the amount of \$51,500.

21 And this is to remedy a drainage issue for this
22 block. So they'll be adding manholes as well as pipes.

23 MR. GOMEZ: For the record they were the only bid on
24 this project.

25 MR. ALLEN: And they were the only bidder for this job.
We reached out to Reith & Riley and Gaitlin Plumbing.

MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

MR. ALLEN: As well as Rex Construction.

MS. GUZMAN: What's the timeframe on this project?

MR. ALLEN: We want to go as soon as possible.

MR. GOMEZ: Any other comments or questions?

1 Questions/Comments: None.

2 Motion to approve Hasse Construction Recommendation made by
3 Doug Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

6 MR. ALLEN: Thank you.

7 MR. GOMEZ: You're welcome.

8 Next from Bus Transit we have three Agreements. We
9 have a letter from our Director of EC Public Transit, Frank
10 Rosado.

11 See items on the agenda for the Board of Works
12 Meeting on 11/8/21. I will be on vacation. So I will not be
13 in attendance. Here is a summary of all items. I ask for
14 the Board's approval on all of the items. Thank you.

15 Number 1, Amendment Number 2 and Grant Number
16 2019-030. This returns the funding. And Grant Number
17 2020-039.

18 Number 2, fund conveyance for operating assistance
19 from Grant Number 2020-039. This is a new grant and needs to
20 be approved and signed.

21 And Number 3, we have Grant Number 9022 ECT. This
22 is state funding and needs Board's approval before I could
23 sign.

24 MR. POWERS: So they're saying that this money, that was
25 deducted on this second amendment section part of the other
grant.

MR. GOMEZ: Yes. It appears.

MR. POWERS: This looks like it reads that there's about
\$30,000 in decrease on the number 2 page.

MR. GOMEZ: Apparently that's what --

MR. POWERS: It says all other provisions of the written
agreement shall remain the same. I am not seeing where it
says in this e-mail that this money is part of something
else.

1 MR. GOMEZ: Except the first agreement is a decrease
2 from \$218,184 to \$186,827. So that is the only difference.

3 The fund conveyance agreement, this is
4 acknowledgement of Section 5307 Conveyance Agreement.

5 And the final one, Public Mass Transit Fund.
6 Purpose of the agreement State agrees to pay EC Transit
7 \$330,320.

8 The money shall be used for exclusive purpose of
9 financing operating expenses per the provisions of public
10 transportation services as shown in the project budget
11 summary.

12 The last one we do not have to sign. That will be
13 signed by the Public Transit Director. We just have to
14 acknowledge it into the record.

15 Are there any questions or comments on these three
16 proposals?

17 Questions/Comments: None.

18 Motion to approve Bus Transit Agreements made by Doug Powers.
19 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 Right-of-Way
23 Applications from Engineering. We have Right-of-Way
24 Applications Number 21-04025 through 21-04040.

25 Any questions or comments on these Board of Works
Permit Applications?

Questions/Comments: None.

Motion to approve Permit Applications 21-04025 through
21-04040 made by Doug Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

MR. GOMEZ: James, do you have your recommendation?

MR. PORTALATIN: Yes, I do. For the property located at
4831 McCook Avenue lowest most responsible bidder was JM

1 Industrial at \$8,600. 3911 McCook JM Industrial at \$8,100.
2 514 Spring \$8,800 for JM Industrial.

3 These are all going to be under JM Industrial.

4 5432 Wegg \$11,200. 3446 Fir \$16,100. 3930 Fir
5 \$4,200. And 3919 Butternut \$4,200.

6 JM Industrial was the lowest most responsible
7 bidder for all these properties at a total of \$61,200. I
8 recommend that they be awarded those properties.

9 MR. GOMEZ: So for the record JM Industrial was the
10 lowest bidder on all the properties?

11 MR. PORTALATIN: No, not on all the properties.
12 Richardson Disposal was the lowest bidder on three
13 properties.

14 MR. POWERS: I believe the garage ones.

15 MR. PORTALATIN: Which Richardson Disposal was the
16 lowest and responsible bidder for 3926 Alexander \$7,100. And
17 the two garages, 4509 Tod for \$2,000 and 3809 Deal for
18 \$4,000.

19 So their total is \$13,100. So I don't know if you
20 want to award it by contractor.

21 MR. GOMEZ: We'll do Richardson because he has three
22 properties.

23 MR. PORTALATIN: Three properties, correct.

24 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on Richardson's
25 three properties?

And the basis is that they're the lowest most
responsible bidder?

MR. PORTALATIN: Yes.

MR. GOMEZ: For Richardson Disposal, correct me if I'm
wrong, 3926 Alexander \$7,100.

MR. PORTALATIN: Correct.

MR. GOMEZ: 4509 Tod for \$2,000.

1 MR. PORTALATIN: Yes.

2 MR. GOMEZ: And 3809 Deal for \$4,000?

3 MR. PORTALATIN: Yes. For a total of \$13,100.

4 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on this
5 recommendation?

6 Questions/Comments: None.

7 Motion to approve Richardson Disposal Recommendation made by
8 Doug Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

11 MR. GOMEZ: JM Industrial, the other remaining
12 properties in Group 1, Group 2 and Group 3 JM industrial was
13 the lowest and most responsible bidder in the amount of
14 \$61,200.

15 MR. PORTALATIN: That is correct.

16 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on JM Industrial's
17 low bids on the remaining properties?

18 Questions/Comments: None.

19 Motion to approve JM Industrial Recommendation made by Doug
20 Powers. Second by Winna Guzman.

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

23 MR. PORTALATIN: Thank you. Have a good evening.

24 MR. GOMEZ: Thank you.

25 OTHER BUSINESS: None.

1 * Next Regular Meeting Date: Monday, November 22,
2021 @ 4:30 p.m.

3 Motion to adjourn made by Douglas Powers. Second by Winna
Guzman.

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

6 * Meeting ended at 5:34 p.m.

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1 Approval of the Meeting Minutes of
2 Monday, November 8, 2021

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6 Val Gomez, President

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9 Winna Guzman, Vice President

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12 Douglas Powers, Member

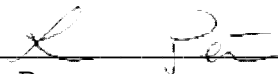
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I, Lisa Pena, a competent and duly qualified court reporter, do hereby certify that I did report in machine shorthand the foregoing proceedings and that my shorthand notes so taken at said time and place were thereafter reduced to typewriting under 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 19th day of November, 2021.



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