



DeKalb County Government

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PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee

Tuesday, March 7, 2023

3:30 PM

Attendees: Commissioners Cochran-Johnson, Terry, Patrick, Davis Johnson, Johnson

Present 3 - Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Ted Terry, and Robert Patrick

Meeting Started At: 3:33PM

I. MINUTES

2023-0175 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the February 21, 2023, Public Works and
Infrastructure Committee Meeting

This agenda item was approved

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Terry, and Patrick

II. AGENDA ITEM

Previously Heard Items:

[2023-0113](#) Commission District(s): 4 & 7
Agreement for the Construction and Financing of Sewer Upgrades with
Captura Rockbridge
Acquisition I LLC Not to Exceed \$150,500.

**MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick,
that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board
of Commissioners, due back on 3/14/2023. The motion carried by
the following vote:**

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Terry, and Patrick

-information provided by Director Hayes

-Director Hayes requests holding in committee for 2 weeks

-LCJ: that is fine and I look forward to a report back from you

2023-0082

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1198103 Stone Crushed Granite (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Departments of Watershed Management (DWM), Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RPCA), Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D) and Sanitation. This contract consists of providing stone crushed granite for use in various applications. This request seeks to ratify a previously provided sixty (60) day contract term increase for one vendor (FM Shelton); increase the contract term through July 31, 2023; and increase funds. Awarded to F.M Shelton, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,999,164.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/14/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Terry, and Patrick

-information provided by Director Hayes

-Question LCJ: is there any urgency to this?

D Hayes: we can wait for this to exit audit

-Question RP: is this the crushed gravel for construction entrances

D Hayes: correct, crushed gravel for construction entrances

-TT: motion to defer 2 weeks, pending audit review

2023-0228

Commission District(s): All

LB - Invitation No. 22-101543 SPLOST Phase II Resurfacing Project (Area A) (365 Days): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). Consists of providing SPLOST (Phase II - Area A) road resurfacing to various roads located in DeKalb County. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$22,483,778.80.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/14/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Terry, and Patrick

-this item has come back from OIA audit review and was supported

-information provided by Director Lemke

-Question TT: regarding the bid tabulation sheet, the unit price for recycled asphalt...in your opinion, what is the quality control assurance here regarding the type of asphalt

R Lemke: it is all the same material. The difference in the bidders is their ability to utilize this. Additional information provided by Mr. Lemke

-Question LJ: in 2009 or so regarding the communities like Preston Place affected and never got their streets paved, are they included in this list? Who has the list?

R Lemke: I would have to go back and check, but it would be Roads and Drainage. We can send you the list. Additional information provided by Mr. Lemke

-Question RP: this bid, phase 2 of area a, that's what was not paved in 2022 correct?

R Lemke: that's correct

-Question RP: how much longer after this is approved before the notice to proceed is approved?

-R Lemke: I believe it's a 1 year window for the construction which is pretty typical for these projects, dependent upon the weather. We cannot specify a specific contract due to the logistics involved in the materials, workers, etc. Additional information provided by Mr. Lemke

New Agenda Items

[2023-0094](#)

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1266062 Salt (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of the purchase of salt. This request is to add Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D) to the contract and increase contract funds and scope of work in support of this addition. Awarded to F.M. Shelton, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$113,760.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/14/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Terry, and Patrick

-information provided by Director Lemke

[2023-0128](#)

Commission District(s): 1, 3, 5, 6 and 7
CO - Change Order No. 7 to Contract No. 1156154 DeKalb Sidewalk Program Phase 2C - Salem Rd., Henderson Rd. and Flat Shoals Rd. - PI# 0007618/PI# 0008268 (548 days): for use by Public Works - Transportation. This contract consists of the construction of sidewalks along Salem Road, Henderson Road, and Flat Shoals Road. This request is to increase contract funds and term through December 31, 2023. Awarded to Precision 2000, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,015,095.36.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/14/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Terry, and Patrick

-information provided by Director Pelton

-Question TT: this change order is because of utility poles?

D Pelton: we had a conflict with an existing 20 inch water main on Henderson Road, which was in conflict with the storm drain we had to install with the sidewalk. We had to do some redesign and add some crossings and eliminate some small areas of sidewalk where we couldn't work around the water main

-Question TT: are we doing the bike lane on Henderson Road?

D Pelton: no this is strictly sidewalks

-Question RP: is there an estimated finish date?

D Pelton: the change order extends the contract end date to the end of this year. In order to finish everything out we would need this change order

[2023-0212](#)

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 5 to Contract Nos.: 1034376, 1037377 and 1034379, and Change Order No. 6 to Contract No.1034381
Engineering Services (Multi-Year Contract): for use by the Department Watershed Management (DWM). These contracts consist of providing on-call engineering services that primarily include engineering studies, design, land surveying and construction administration services for water and sewer consent decree projects within the capital improvement program. This request seeks to ratify a previously provided ninety (90) day contract term increase and increase the contract term through December 31, 2023 for all four (4) contracts. Awarded to Arcadis U.S., Inc., Atkins North America, Inc., Brown & Caldwell, Inc., and Black & Veatch Corporation. CONTRACT TERM INCREASE ONLY.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/14/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Terry, and Patrick

-information provided by Director Hayes

[2023-0224](#)

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1252346 Disaster Recovery and Sewage Cleaning Services (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM) and Facilities Management (FM). This contract consists of providing disaster recovery cleaning services. This request seeks a Consent to Assignment to transfer the existing contract's remaining funds and contract term from Bell Restoration Services, Inc. dba Servpro of Gwinnett County SE & SW dba Servpro of Stone Mountain/Clarkston (Bell) to Wilpro Enterprises, Inc. dba Servpro (Wilpro).

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/14/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Terry, and Patrick

-information provided by Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

2023-0256

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 1263589 SPLOST Phase II Road Resurfacing Projects - Area B (365 Day Contract): for use by Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of patching, milling, and resurfacing of County Roads. This request is to increase contract funds and term through December 31, 2023.

Awarded to HEH Paving, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$966,056.76.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/14/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Terry, and Patrick

-information provided by Director Lemke

-Question LCJ: I would assume this is for as-needed repairs?

R Lemke: that's correct this is for as-needed repairs. Additional information on striping provided by Mr. Lemke

-Question LJ: is there a system in place that allows you to follow up and find them potholes? Tilson Road is one of the worst ones I've seen that has been discussed constantly

R Lemke: we do as far as having our road grading, inspection process. Unfortunately we see deterioration occur more often than we see, so we have call ins and complaints where we are reactive that way. Additional information provided by Mr. Lemke

-LJ: I've seen some local governments use drones and other technology to review these areas. Please identify that advanced technology and bring it back, because we need to move into the 21st century so we can get in front of it.

-LCJ: I believe Code Compliance and Roads and Drainage operate from a standpoint of being responsive rather than proactive correct?

-response provided by Director Lemke

-LCJ: I would ask our Central Staff to please add to a future PWI agenda the conversation around how we will begin to plan to take that approach (pothole identification technology). We are just being responsive and not proactive at this point

-comments provided by Commissioner Davis Johnson

-comments provided by Commissioner Larry Johnson

-Question RP: in some areas they saw-cut out the pothole, in other they tap it down to fit the contours. What is the difference?

-response provided by Director Lemke

2023-0258

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1295610 for 2021 LMIG Road Resurfacing Projects (365 Day Contract): for use by Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of resurfacing of County roads. Awarded to HEH Paving, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$2,164,059.29.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/14/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Terry, and Patrick

-information provided by Director Lemke

-Question LCJ: do we have a built-in contingency of a certain percent for which we can work?

R Lemke: I'm not sure if we have that on this particular contract; normally we do have a contingency of about 5%. Additional information provided by Director Lemke

-Question TT: is there an index on paving, as there is on Watershed?

R Lemke: it's pretty much the same regarding the construction index. Additional response provided by Director Lemke

-Question TT: is the temp agency contract going to help with getting us to the notice to proceed quicker?

-Z Williams: there are some administrative components to the temporary service staffing. Additional response provided by COO Williams

-MDJ: I would think that we're at a peak regarding costs, taking into account the war in Ukraine and the costs associated with COVID. I believe many of the cost increases were related somewhat to that. In the process of bidding I would think we have a better idea now as opposed to 2 years ago. Instead of putting it in the contingency we should put it in the cost now with the costs as they are now rather than 2 years ago. Additional comments provided by Commissioner Davis Johnson

-responses provided by Mr. Lemke

-comments provided by Commissioner Terry

-comments provided by Commissioner Larry Johnson

-LCJ: we'll wait for you all to come back to us with some solutions on the front end rather than the back end

2022-2363

Commission District(s): Commission Districts 3 & 6
Seminole Road Landfill Construction - Phase 3 Unit 2 Cell 3N and Unit
4 Cells 4N & 5N

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that this agenda item be recommended for approval to the Board
of Commissioners, due back on 3/14/2023. The motion carried by
the following vote:**

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Terry, and Patrick

-information provided by CFO McNabb

-Question TT: I have a concern of using ARP funds for projects that are in essence Enterprise Funds. Why are we showing \$7M remaining for Sanitation Capital projects?

D McNabb: we have \$7M left that's for other capital projects

-Question LCJ: we came to the conclusion that there would be an increase in sanitation fees, which is not for residential. We made a \$10M loan but here it's saying \$13M.

-Z Williams: that's a mistake, it should be \$10M.

-TT: I would request that we come back and talk about this regarding the ARP funds

[2022-2573](#)

Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 22-101507 Water Meters and Parts (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of the replacement and installation of water meters and parts. Recommend award to the sole bidder who is responsive and responsible: Kendall Supply, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$30,500,000.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/14/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Terry, and Patrick

-item is currently in OIIA audit review

-RP: motion to defer

[2023-0285](#)

Commission District(s): All
A Resolution Establishing Regulation Informing Consideration of a Project List for a Renewal of the DeKalb County Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Committee of the Whole, due back on 3/21/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Terry, and Patrick

-item not heard in committee

-TT: motion to defer to the Committee of the Whole agenda

[2023-0145](#)

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No: 1201890 and Change Order No. 2 to Contract Nos.: 1201901 and 1201898 Consent Decree - Gravity Sewer Rehabilitation and Replacement (CD-GSRR): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). These contracts consist primarily of providing gravity sewer rehabilitation and replacement via cured in place pipe (CIPP) with internal and external point repairs, as well as open cut pipe bursting. This request seeks to utilize the Engineering News Record - Construction Cost Index (ENR-CCI) to calculate and pay additional cost impacts incurred due to the current market's supply chain issues for Contract No. 1201890. This request also seeks to increase the contract term through December 31, 2024 for all three contracts. Lastly, using existing funds and based upon the ENR-CCI, this request seeks to address retroactive payment of increased costs for periods prior to 3rd quarter 2022 for all three contracts. Awarded to The Renee Group, Inc.; Inland Pipe Rehabilitation (IPR) dba IPR Southeast, LLC; and Kemi Construction Company, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,225,775.00

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/14/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Terry, and Patrick

*-RP: motion to approve substitute
Second LCJ*

2023-0298

Commission District(s): All Districts
Sanitation Department Increase of Commercial, Landfill and Tipping Fees

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 3/14/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, and Patrick

Absent: 1 - Terry

-information provided by CFO McNabb

-LCJ: this is a robust discussion and we need to do it in a time where everyone is present

-Z Williams: we were following through on what was a vote at PWI during the last meeting where you voted to bring this item forward regarding the rates. That's why it is on the agenda today. Additional information provided by COO Williams

-RP: motion to defer to next PWI meeting

Meeting Started At: 5:09 PM

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be adjourned meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, and Patrick

Absent: 1 - Terry

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC