



"RE-BUILDING THE CITY'S WATER SYSTEMS FOR THE 21ST CENTURY"

Sewerage & Water Board OF NEW ORLEANS

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The Finance and Administration Committee met on Wednesday, October 14, 2020, via Microsoft team. The meeting convened at approximately 9:00 A.M.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:

Director Lynes Sloss
Director Janet Howard
Director Ralph Johnson
Director Alejandra Guzman
Director Joseph Peychaud

Absent:

Prior to beginning the meeting, Director Lynes Sloss gave his opening remarks. Mr. Sloss stated he and Ms. Daniels are working together to prepare a Dashboard moving forward for the Finance Committee meeting.

2. Cash Flow Overview

Financial Advisory, Lisa Daniels presented update on the cash flow during the COVID-19. Its important Sewerage and Water Board make sure the cash flow continues to provide service for clean water. The end of August 2020 reflects 67% of the year. While the actual revenues and expenditures to date are close to 2019 levels, despite a 10% rate increase, reflecting the downward pressures caused by COVID-19. Management continues to identify opportunities to reduce expenditures to mitigate the negative affect of revenue depression due to COVID-19. These estimated assumptions are a model of estimations, they will continue to update this model as the data changes.

3. ACTION ITEMS

- Resolution (R-114-2020) Contract Award for Information Systems Management to Avenu Insights & Analytics, LLC
 - o **Director Ralph Johnson moved to accept R-114-2020. Director Alejandra Guzman seconded. The motion carried.**

General Superintendent's Report

a. Bid/Renewals

- Resolution (R-106-2020) Contract 2145 - Water Main Point Repair, Water Service Connection, Water Valve and Fire Hydrant Replacement at Various Sites throughout Orleans Parish
 - o **Director Janet Howard moved to accept Bid Renewals. Director Ralph Johnson seconded. The motion carried.**

Contract Amendments

- Resolution (R-107-2020) Authorization of Amendment No. 5 to the Agreement Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Neel-Schaffer, Inc., for Design and Engineering Services for the Waterline Replacement Program
- Resolution (R-116-2020) Authorization of Amendment No. 6 to the Agreement Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Richard C. Lambert Consultants, Inc. for Design and Engineering Services for the Waterline Replacement Program
- Resolution (R-117-2020) Authorization of Amendment No. 6 to the Agreement Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., for Design and Engineering Services for the Waterline Replacement Program
- Resolution (R-118-2020) Authorization of Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Volkert, Inc., for Design and Engineering Services for the Demolition of the Two Abandoned Carrollton Water Plant Clarifiers
 - o **Director Ralph Johnson moved to accept Contract Amendments. Director Janet Howard seconded. The motion carried.**

Director Lynes Sloss made a motion to enter in executive session. Director Ralph Johnson moved. Director Alejandra Guzman seconded. The motion carried.

Director Lynes Sloss made a motion to exit executive session. Director Ralph Johnson moved. Director Janet Howard seconded. The motion carried.

Director Lynes Sloss made a motion to approve Special Counsel Recommendation. Director Alejandra Guzman moved. Director Janet Howard seconded. The motion carried.

4. **INFORMATION ITEMS** –

The information items were received.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT** –

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Finance and Administration Committee Meeting. The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:17 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynes Sloss, Chair