

SEWERAGE & WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS

STRATEGY COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, MAY 10, 2021

9:00 AM

[May 2021 Strategy Link](#)

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Robin Barnes • Lynes Sloss
Maurice Sholas • Janet Howard • Tamika Duplessis

FINAL AGENDA

1. **ROLL CALL**

2. **PRESENTATION ITEMS**

a. Strategic Plan Consultant Selection

3. **ACTION ITEMS**

b. Resolution (R-060-2021) Authorization for Agreement for Consulting Services for Utility Strategic Planning with Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comments received until 30 minutes after the presentation of the Agenda will be read into the record.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

This teleconference meeting is being held pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of Proclamation Number JBE 2020-30, extended by Proclamation 79 JBE 2021, pursuant to Section 3 of Act 302 of 2020.

Please refer to the link below for the Strategy Committee Packet.

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**AUTHORIZATION FOR AGREEMENT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES FOR
UTILITY STRATEGIC PLANNING WITH RAFTELIS FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS,
INC.**

WHEREAS, Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans (“SWBNO”) is undertaking an ambitious effort to plan for all of its lines of business in a long-range, integrated fashion in order to direct investments in the systems in a way that solidifies the City’s future, improves quality of life, and provides the greatest community value through multiple benefits; and

WHEREAS, the last SWBNO strategic plan expired in 2019, and SWBNO is looking to create a five-year Strategic Plan through a comprehensive, data-driven, and participatory process utilizing the Effective Utility Management (EUM) framework; and

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2021, SWBNO issued a request for proposals for “Consulting Services for Utility Strategic Planning” (“RFP”) for the services described therein, and proposals were due on March 5, 2021; and

WHEREAS, SWBNO received five (5) proposals in response to the RFP, including that of Raftelis Financial Consultants, submitted on March 5, 2021 (the “Proposal”); and after evaluation of all proposals, including that of Raftelis Financial Consultants, the SWBNO Selection Evaluation Committee on April 23, 2021, recommended that SWBNO enter into an agreement with Raftelis Financial Consultants to provide the desired Utility Strategic Planning Services with a minimum Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) percentage goal of five percent (5%); and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the President of the Board of Directors is authorized to execute an agreement by and between SWBNO and **Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. (“Contractor”)**, to provide Utility Strategic Planning services for an **amount not to exceed One Hundred Ninety-eight Thousand Five Hundred Forty-two and No/100 (\$198,542.00) Dollars over a term of one (1) year , with a DBE goal of five (5%) percent.**

I, GHASSAN KORBAN, Executive Director,
Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans, do hereby
certify that the above and foregoing is a true and
correct copy of a Resolution adopted at the Regular
Monthly Meeting of said Board, duly called and held,
according to law, on May 19, 2021.

GHASSAN KORBAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
SEWERAGE AND WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS