

PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2018
8:30 A.M.

Present: Wade R. Fowler, Jr., Chairman
D. Ralph Huff, III, Vice-Chairman (VIA TELECONFERENCE)
Darsweil L. Rogers, Secretary
Evelyn O. Shaw, Treasurer

Others Present: David W. Trego, CEO/General Manager
Jay Reinstein, Assistant City Manager
PWC Staff

Absent: Johnny Dawkins, City Council Liaison
Melissa Adams, Hope Mills Town Manager/Liaison
Michael Boose, Cumberland County Liaison
Media

REGULAR BUSINESS

Chairman Wade R. Fowler, Jr., called the meeting of Wednesday, August 8, 2018, to order.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon motion by Commissioner Rogers and seconded by Commissioner Huff, the agenda was unanimously approved.

CONSENT ITEMS

Upon motion by Commissioner Rogers and seconded by Commissioner Huff, the consent items were unanimously approved.

- A. Approve Minutes of meeting of July 25, 2018
- B. Approve bid recommendation to award contract for the P.O. Hoffer Water Treatment Facility Raw Water Intake Screen and Slide Gate Replacement Project to Haren Construction Co., Inc., Etowah, TN, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the total amount of \$1,132,000.00 and forward to City Council for approval.

The P.O. Hoffer Water Treatment Facility Raw Water Intake Screen and Slide Gate Replacement is a budgeted item. Sufficient funds are available in FY2019 CIP as follows: CPR1000352 – P.O. Hoffer Raw Water Intake Screen and Mitigation - \$912,000 and CPR1000353 - P.O. Hoffer WTF 60” Slide Gate Replacement - \$220,000.

Bids were received on July 31, 2018, as follows:

<u>Bidders</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
Haren Construction Co., Inc., Etowah, TN	\$1,132,000.00
Intercoastal Marine LLC, Castle Hayne, NC	\$1,236,850.00

COMMENTS: This project consists of dredging of sediment and removal of submerged debris in proximity to the intake screens within the Cape Fear River and disposal of removed materials; removal of existing and installation of two (2) new wedge-wire intake screens, removal of existing and installation of two (2) new 60" x 60" slide gates including all guides, stems, and electric actuators, and appurtenances; and removal of existing wet well access doors, enlargement of hatch openings and installation of two (2) new access hatches and accessories. This project was advertised twice due to an insufficient number of bids being received on the first advertisement. The lowest responsive, responsible bidder is recommended. **SDBE:** Haren Construction will be utilizing Zion Marine, a SBA certified woman-owned small business, to provide diving and dredging services, for approximately 18.33% of the work on this project. **Local:** There are no local subcontractors noted.

- C. N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(6) allows an exception to the bidding requirements when (i) performance or price competition for a product are not available; (ii) a needed product is available from only one source of supply; or (iii) standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration.

Staff requests approval for the issuance of a purchase order in the amount of \$393,000 to Evoqua Water Technologies, Waukesha, WI, for materials, equipment and field service expertise necessary to rehabilitate the secondary clarifiers #1 and #2 at the Rockfish Creek Water Reclamation Facility in accordance with N.C.G.S. 143-129(e)(6) "sole source exception".

The intent of the project is to replace all materials and equipment located "below the waterline" in secondary clarifiers #1 and #2 at the Rockfish Creek WRF. These clarifiers were constructed as part of the first major expansion to the Rockfish facility circa 1991. The steel mechanisms we are replacing with this project are original equipment. The mechanisms were sandblasted and re-painted in 2010 which extended their useful life to what will be nearly 30-years by the time this work is completed.

Evoqua Water Technologies is the original equipment manufacturer/fabricator of the existing clarifier equipment and as such retains all the drawings and proprietary rights to the design of the equipment and is positioned to provide equipment that is compatible with the existing facility. Using Evoqua will reduce engineering costs and will enable the project to be completed this fiscal year.

Note: This project will be funded from FY19 CIP (WS93/CPR1000409 / WO1900580)

END OF CONSENT

UPDATE ON TIME OF USE RATE (TOU) COMMUNICATIONS

Presented by: Carolyn Justice-Hinson, Communications and Community Relations Officer

Carolyn Justice-Hinson stated the Commission approved Time of Use (TOU) Rates for residential and small commercial customers in March of this past year. The TOU billing will begin in May 2019. She stated customer communications began as soon as the new rates were adopted. It is important for PWC that the education starts now since the new rates involve a summer peak and a winter peak. It gives our customers time to begin making some adjustments and to know how the new rates will affect them.

Ms. Justice-Hinson delineated a timeline of her department's efforts:

April 2018	Rate Notification
June 2018	Newsletter/eBlast
June 2018	Social Media
June 2018	Community Events
July 2018	PWC Connections TV
July 2018	Monthly Advertising

She stated their educational material is a work in progress. They have developed their message and as they receive feedback they will continue to revise it. Ms. Justice-Hinson stated they also have hand-outs which explain (who, what, when and why) and they are also utilizing the Community Advisory Group. She stated they have a web page devoted to TOU on our website, faypwc.com.

Ms. Justice-Hinson displayed a video dedicated to TOU rates. She went on to state they will continue to develop ways to communicate to customers, including developing a magnet.

Upcoming ways to get the message out:

Senior Day at the Cumberland County Fair (September 2018)

Home Show

PWC Expo

Live Radio – WIDU, WCCG, Sunny 94.3 and WFNC (in progress)

TV – FAYTV and Channel 5

Speakers' Bureau – focusing on Community Groups and individual neighborhoods

Other Community events - (last year the PWC Communications Department participated in more than 50 different events.)

She delineated the following tools to assist customers:

- ✓ On-line Rate Calculator - August 2018
- ✓ Hourly usage on new web portal - October 2018
- ✓ Thermostat Incentive/Engagement Programs - November 2018
- ✓ Web portal (Phase 2) rate comparison - March 2019
- ✓ New Bill Design with TOU - Spring 2019

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

Interview on FAYTV

This Friday, Mr. Trego will be interviewed as part of the City's FAYTV City Conversations.

City Council Work Session Regarding Broadwell Property

Mr. Trego stated the City Council had a discussion regarding the Broadwell Property at their session on Monday. He went on to state about two years ago, PWC made a commitment to a development in the Spring Lake MIA (Hammond Property) that Spring Lake could not serve. It is located north of Elliott Bridge Road. Broadwell has owned property south of Elliott Bridge Road for a significant period of time. They had a series of issues regarding being annexed into the city, so they reached out to Harnett County and had conversations with them concerning providing service (water and sewer).

The Commission as part of their strategic plan identified the northern Fayetteville area as a strategic area. Mr. Trego stated it never sat well with him that we would go through an area that another provider would service. He worked with Doug Hewitt, Jay Reinstein and arranged a meeting to have an initial discussion to see if they could create a win, win, win situation. He stated the win, win, win would be our ability to serve a development that we are going to run by that we did not have a commitment from; the city would get 400+ homes into the tax base of the City of Fayetteville; and the developer would get the services from PWC and the City. He stated they had a series of meeting with the City and also met with Broadwell. He stated he is pleased to say (though nothing is final until the documents are signed) we are going to serve the area; it will be annexed into the City and Broadwell can take it. He stated it took a lot of give and take and it was a real effort. He thanked Mark Brown's group for also working with the City and Broadwell. Additional discussion ensued.

PRESENTATION BY GDS ASSOCIATES

(A portion of this presentation was presented in closed session)

Presented by: Chris Dawson, GDS Associates
Gary Brunault, GDS Associates

Chris Dawson and Gary Brunault of GDS Associates presented to the Commission an information presentation on the evaluation of power supply options and generation portfolios to serve PWC customers beyond the 2024 early termination period for PWC's existing Power Supply & Coordination Agreement with Duke Energy Progress.

He reviewed the existing power supply arrangement and the PWC-DEP Power Supply and Coordination Agreement (PSCA) Milestones.

Mr. Dawson also reviewed GDS' activities to date.

Commissioner Rogers motioned to go into closed session pursuant to NC General Statutes 143-318.11(1) to prevent disclosure of confidential information. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Shaw and unanimously approved at 8:51 a.m.

After discussion, Commissioner Shaw motioned to return to open session. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Rogers and unanimously approved at 10:02 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO N.C. GENERAL STATUTES 143-318.11(a)(3) TO DISCUSS LEGAL MATTERS

Commissioner Rogers motioned to go into closed session pursuant to NC General Statutes 143-318.11(a)(3) to discuss legal matters. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Shaw and unanimously approved at 10:02 a.m.

After discussion, Commissioner Shaw motioned to return to open session. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Rogers and unanimously approved at 10:21 a.m.

REPORTS AND INFORMATION

The Commission acknowledges receipt of the following reports and information.

- A. Personnel Report for July 2018
- B. Position Vacancies
- C. Approved N.C. Department of Transportation Encroachment Agreement(s):
 - Encr. #18627 – Installation of 20 LF of 8” RJDJ water main and valve on US407 (Raeford Road)
 - Encr. #18641 – 8” RJDJ water main (steel casing) @ US401 (Raeford Rd.)
 - Encr. #18646 – 4” SDR-26 sanitary sewer lateral and 1” water lateral @ NCHWY 59 (Hope Mills Road)
 - Encr. #18761 – 2” water lateral and 6” RJDJ for fire hydrant on SR1738 (Middle River Loop)
 - Encr. #18840 – 4” sanitary sewer lateral & 1” water lateral @ US401 (Ramsey Street, near Mullins Ave.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, upon motion by Commissioner Shaw, seconded by Commissioner Rogers and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned at 10:21 a.m.