

The Agenda Review Session of the Board of Public Works was convened at 10:30 a.m. on May 5, 2022, by Board President Elizabeth A. Maradik, Vice President Joseph Molnar, and Board Members Gary Gilot, Jordan Gathers, Murray Miller, and Board Attorney Clara McDaniels present. Board of Public Works Clerk, Theresa Heffner, presented the Board with a proposed agenda of items presented by the public and by City Staff.

Board members discussed the following item(s) from the agenda.

OPENING OF BIDS

Engineer Finnian Cavanaugh was present to answer questions about item 3.A. Beck's Lake LaSalle Park EPA Master Plan. Gary Gilot asked Mr. Cavanaugh to explain the Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise (MWBE) goals for the project since it is a high-profile project in the South Bend African American community. Mr. Cavanaugh explained the goals that were set for the project. Murray Miller asked if there was any input from the community as to what they would like to see regarding the removal and replacement of soil. Mr. Cavanaugh noted that the scope of the project is directed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requirements for soil remediation at the site. Mr. Gilot asked if most of the project involves trucking, why were the MWBE goals not higher. Mr. Cavanaugh explained that goals are determined by the line items for the project and the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes associated. City Attorney Clara McDaniels advised Mr. Gilot that there are certain designations and specifications required for hauling away and disposing of contaminated soil and that for the clean fill-dirt being brought in, there is limited opportunity for regular trucking.

AGREEMENTS CONTRACTS PROPOSALS ADDENDA

Mr. Cavanaugh was present to answer any questions about the agreement for the Coal Line Trail Phase IIA – CE Services. Mr. Cavanaugh explained that the project had been split into two (2) portions; Phase IIA for the trail and Phase IIB for the bridge. This project is for the trail portion only and the bridge portion will likely be done in the fall.

OPENING OF QUOTATIONS

Engineer Rebecca Plantz was present to answer any questions about item 4.A. Walker Field House Restoration Project. Ms. Plantz briefly went over the project. Mr. Gilot asked if the project was mostly masonry. Ms. Plantz explained that it is split between masonry and helical pier installation. Ms. Plantz continued to say that if there is difficulty getting quotes, they may separate the masonry and helical pier and pursue them separately.

OPENING OF QUOTATIONS

Engineer Rebecca Plantz was present to answer any questions about item 4.B. Morris Performing Arts Center Carpet Replacement. Joseph Molnar asked about the budget for the project. Ms. Plantz responded the budget is \$120,000 to include all of the carpet in the Morris Performing Arts and the Palais Royale.

AWARD BIDS AND APPROVE CONTRACTS

Mr. Gilot wanted to note that for item 5.A. 2022-2023 Water Treatment Chemicals, item No. 7 was approved subject to proof of delivery time and performance since it was a new product, we didn't want to be in a situation where more quantity was required which resulted in a greater cost than another product. President Maradik noted that item No. 10 could proceed to open market.

AWARD QUOTATIONS AND APPROVE CONTRACTS

Mr. Gilot noted for item 6.A. City of South Bend Portage Rd. Signal Foundation, that it's a safety-sensitive project and he would rather see an emergency repair contract done than have the signal be down while going through the quote process. Attorney McDaniels advised that in an emergency situation, the City is allowed to forgo the process and do the repair.

INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER DISCHARGE PERMITS

Mr. Gilot said the description says Public Works only checks for suspended solids every six (6) months, but the backwash operation sends all solids to a settling pond that overflows into our sewers. During a six (6) month period when we are not sampling, if there is a storm, turbulence event, or decided the cheapest way to get rid of the solids would be to slurry them up and have them go to the City, we would never catch it with only a six (6) month sampling. Mr. Gilot noted

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