



SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, December 06, 2022 at 7:00 PM

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 120 Paint Rock Street, Eden, TX

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MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Agapito Torres
Jennifer Martinez
Priscilla Aguirre
Grover Hall
Randy Dunaway
Bradley Gandy

2. BUSINESS

Consideration and Possible Action On:

- A. Consideration and approval of the following Contract Procurements for a Water System Improvement Project for Texas Water Development Board:

1. Bond Counsel Services

Council Member Gandy made a motion to approve McCall, Parkhurst & Horton, LLP for Bond Counsel Services on the Texas Water Development Board project, seconded by Council Member Dunaway. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion made by Gandy, Seconded by Dunaway.

Voting Yea: Martinez, Aguirre, Hall, Dunaway, Gandy

2. Financial Advisory Services

Council Member Martinez made a motion to approve Hilltop Securities, Inc., for Financial Advisor Services on the Texas Water Development Board project, seconded by Council Member Dunaway. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion made by Martinez, Seconded by Dunaway.

Voting Yea: Martinez, Aguirre, Hall, Dunaway, Gandy

3. Professional Engineering Services

Council discussed the two professional engineering firms who submitted statements of qualifications, Enprotec / Hibbs & Todd, Inc. (eHT) and SKG Engineering, LLC. A review of the meeting with eHT engineer Sage Diller was discussed. Council Member Hall noted that, while some mistakes had been made on the USDA project, with a little more supervision, things would be better. According to Mr. Diller, Clint has more time to devote to the projects in Eden, than some of the other engineers at eHT. Mayor Torres noted that City Council should have a say in which engineer is used for the City's

project in light of the money that is paid for these projects. The City has always worked well with Sage Diller, and we assumed more supervision would have been given to Mr. Taylor. We trust in the relationship with our engineers. While we can give some leeway, and we have learned some lessons on this USDA contract. Issues still require proper follow up.

Council Member Hall made a motion to select eHT for Engineering Services on the Texas Water Development Board Project. Council Members Martinez, Aguirre, and Dunaway expressed concerns and a desire to choose SKG Engineering. A discussion followed. The motion died on the floor for lack of a second.

Council Member Dunaway made a motion to select SKG Engineering for Engineering Services on the Texas Water Development Board Project, seconded by Council Member Martinez. Motion carried 4-1 with Council Member Hall dissenting.

Motion made by Dunaway, Seconded by Martinez.

Voting Yea: Martinez, Aguirre, Dunaway, Gandy

Voting Nay: Hall

3. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Agapito Torres, Mayor

Laura Beeson, City Secretary/Administrator