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Minutes

Thursday, December 19, 2019

9:00 a.m. (Common Council Chambers, City Hall)

Board Members Present: Patricia Body, Charles Merrihew, Jaime Alicea, Mayor Ben Walsh, and Calvin Corriders

Board Member Absent: Helen Hudson & Larry Williams

Superintendent Alicea made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 21, 2019 meeting. Charles Merrihew seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

JSCB Secretary Joe Barry gave the following updates:

Received 2 pieces of correspondence, then revisited the proposed 2020 schedule to review any conflicts from the board. No conflicts of schedule raised.

Chris Gray presented the Program Manager Report

Chris Gray provided an update on the following schools: Blodgett, Grant, Huntington, Ed Smith, Bellevue, Fowler Site, Corcoran, and Nottingham.

Superintendent Alicea asked what work would be completed when no staff are expected to be in the buildings for the next 2 weeks or so. Chris Gray stated a plan for every building was published yesterday and it was a good time to work on otherwise disruptive tasks.

Mayor Walsh asked if Corcoran was having work done in off hours (late night and/or early morning). Chris Gray said yes, destructive work for cutting window openings was happening after hours. The mayor stated his office has received some neighborhood complaints regarding this. Chris Gray says it is necessary because of the saw cutting and lifting of components not being feasible when other work is in progress. Mayor Walsh asked what hours to expect this work, to which Chris Gray responded 330 to 1130PM.

Mayor Walsh asked where easements were in progress for electrical utility service. Chris Gray stated it was at Nottingham and Corcoran where the steps (identify, propose, P.O. issuance) are being taken for easements.



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Mayor Walsh asked if obtaining easements for electrical utility service was something the City grants to National Grid. Chris Gray stated it is. Chris Gray also states it is both time consuming and it takes correspondence with national Grid, but some parts of the process are City controlled. Mayor Walsh requested when the process gets to a stage involving City Hall, the Mayor's Office be made aware so the process can be assisted.

Calvin Corriders asked if there was any variation in driving pylons for Fowler Field. Chris Gray stated that pylons are guided into place by satellite GPS then driven at various depths as required for leveling with some refusal from the ground due to bedrock, etc..

Calvin Corriders asked if removed soil from Fowler is still contaminated. Chris Gray stated that contaminated soil was mapped ahead of time, with a monitor on site at all times, then properly removed and processed and that the remaining soil is contaminant free.

Donna Harris Presented the October Financial Statement Report

Kailey Heinz Presented the Outside Auditor's Report

Mayor Walsh commended the Financial Teams of the SCSD and the City for assisting with the execution of the audit

Resolutions:

Charles Merrihew made a motion to adopt resolution #62-2019 for authorizing of payment to Landon & Rian Enterprises (MWBE Compliance Services) relative to Phase II of the Syracuse Schools Reconstruction Project. Calvin Corriders seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Calvin Corriders Made a motion to adopt resolution #63-2019 for authorizing payment to Turner Construction Company's Invoice #46 relative to Phase 1 of the Syracuse Schools Reconstruction Project. Charles Merrihew seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Patricia Body Made a motion to adopt resolution #64-2019 for authorizing payment to various contractors relative to Phase 2 (Tranche 1) of the Syracuse Schools Reconstruction Project as set forth in Appendix A. Superintendent Alicea seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Superintendent Alicea Made a motion to adopt resolution #65-2019 for authorizing payment to various contractors relative to Phase 2 (Tranche 2) of the Syracuse Schools Reconstruction Project as set forth in Appendix A. Calvin Corriders seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Patricia Body Made a motion to adopt resolution #66-2019 for authorizing the Chair of the Joint Schools Construction Board and the CFO of the SCSD to execute a representation letter in response to the annual JSCD audit. Calvin Corriders seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Calvin Corriders made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Alicea seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.