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Minutes

Thursday, July 25, 2019

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

Board Members Present: Mayor Ben Walsh, Superintendent Jaime Alicea, Helen Hudson, Patricia Body, Calvin Corriders and Larry Williams

Board Members Absent: Charles Merrihew

Helen Hudson made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 27, 2019 meeting. Calvin Corriders seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

JSCB Secretary Joe Barry gave the following updates:

-Notified Board members that there was no new correspondence to report

Chris Gray presented the Program Manager Report

Chris Grey provided an update on the following schools: Fowler, Henninger, Clary, Shea, Blodgett, Grant, Ed Smith, Huntington and Bellevue.

Mayor Ben Walsh asked what was going to be happening in the fall at Fowler. Chris Grey responded that they will relocate the CSO and put a new one in and then get the site upgraded and leveled and then beyond that we will see how fast the weather closes in. The objective is to get the utilities out of the way.

Mayor Ben Walsh asked whether or not there would be preloading at the site. Chris Grey responded that they are no longer going to use preloading but that they are going to drive wood piles as far as they can.

Helen Hudson asked about the timeline for the opening of the Fowler Field. Chris Grey responded that they project it to be finished by spring of 2021.

Larry Williams asked now that we are a quarter of the way through, are we going to exceed the \$300M state cap. Chris Grey responded no, we will not exceed the cap but we might have to do some reallocating among the projects.

Chris Grey discussed several of the challenges facing the following school projects: Fowler, Ed Smith, Bellevue and Huntington.

Helen Hudson asked about manpower availability and the use of local contractors. Chris Grey responded that we are trying to find local contractors and we are doing outreach with different people to find them.



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Lamont Mitchell then told the Board that we've been meeting our goals but it is up to the prime contractors as to who they hire. Helen Hudson stated that we have to do a better job of finding local contractors. Lamont Mitchell said that his office will continue to work on that.

Resolutions:

Patricia Body made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 35-2019 to authorize Landon & Rian Phase II payment (Invoice #46) in the amount of \$35,020.00. Helen Hudson seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

Patricia Body made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 36-2019 to authorize a payment to the Turner Construction Company (Payment #41) in the amount of \$164,921.18. Larry Williams seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

Patricia Body made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 37-2019 to authorize payments to various contractors pursuant to Tranche I financing as set forth in Appendix A. Calvin Corriders seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

Jaime Alicea made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 38-2019 to authorize payments to various contractors pursuant to Tranche II financing as set forth in Appendix A. Calvin Corriders seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

Patricia Body made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 39-2019 amending Resolution No. 22 of 2018 approving a contract with JD Taylor for Grant Middle School to increase the contingency budget by \$250,000 for a total not to exceed contingency budget of \$1,284,900 (original contingency was \$1,034,900) and a total not to exceed contract authorization of \$18,150,000. Calvin Corriders seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

Calvin Corriders asked if the money for Grant would be from the contingency budget. Chris Gray responded that we are going to reallocate additional monies but we aren't overall increasing the building budget.

Calvin Corriders then asked Mayor Ben Walsh if the new STEAM School will be run by JSCB. Mayor Ben Walsh responded no, that the County has agreed to fund the project so it will be done differently.

Calvin Corriders made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Helen Hudson seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.