

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
CITY/COUNTY UTILITY COMMISSION MEETING
October 13, 2008

Items Considered: 18; Items Approved: 17; Items Denied: 1

Distribution/Collection	Solid Waste
<p>The Commission held a public hearing to consider and adopt appropriate verifiable M/WBE percentage goals for the construction of water distribution system improvements for Shallowford Road and Nanzetta Way.</p> <p>The Utility Commission approved agreements with various developers for three projects: Griffith Park, Phase 2&6; Burke Ridge Crossing Apartments; Harrington Village, Phase 1, where water and/or sewer facilities will be dedicated to the Commission. These improvements are valued at \$1,238,155 and will provide service for approximately 150 new water and/or sewer customers. A total of 4,477 feet of water and 5,525 feet of sewer main will be extended to provide service for these projects. Two developers are eligible for potential refunds in the estimated amount of \$102,559 for intervening water or sewer mains.</p> <p>The Commission approved a resolution authorizing the acquisition of several properties by deed or condemnation for the Peachtree Street Outfall project. The total value of appraisals for this project is \$5,575.</p> <p>The Commission approved a resolution authorizing the revision of acquisition of three properties by deed or condemnation for Lake Meadow Court Outfall project to lessen the impact of the loss of trees. The total revised value of appraisals for the three effected property owners in this project is \$9,000.</p> <p>The Commission approved a resolution awarding a contract for the rehabilitation of Graves Street elevated water tank. The contract was awarded to Utility Service Co., Inc., the lowest bidder meeting the specifications, in the estimated amount of \$195,000.</p> <p>The Commission approved a resolution awarding a service contract for installation of residential water meters. The funding for this contract was approved in the FY 2009 budget to ensure that 10% of the meter reading system is replaced each year to meet the end of life cycle for a residential meter. The contract was awarded to Matchpoint, Inc., the lowest bidder meeting the specifications, in the estimated amount of \$135,000.</p>	<p>The Commission approved a resolution authorizing a contract with HDR Engineering to provide engineering services necessary for permitting Phase 2 of the Hanes Mill Road Landfill expansion. The total not to exceed fee for this project is \$414,000.</p> <p>The Commission approved a resolution authorizing a contract with HDR Engineering to provide engineering services necessary for the construction of a gas extraction system at the Hanes Mill Road Landfill expansion. The total not to exceed fee for this project is \$63,800.</p>
	Administration
	<p>The Commission approved the execution of various easement agreements and a quitclaim deed associated with the South Fork Lift Station and Zone 8 School properties, contingent upon the approval of the Winston-Salem City Council. The Board of Education requests that the City of Winston-Salem convey a Quitclaim Deed for 1.1320 acres of overlapping area held both by the City of Winston-Salem and Zone 8 Schools. The school system is also asking the Utility Commission for an ingress/egress easement that allows the school to utilize the Utility Commission's access road to the South Fork Lift Station for controlled school traffic.</p> <p>The Commission approved a resolution amending the contract with Atlantic Coast Contractors, Inc. for the construction of the West Salem Basin Sewer Rehabilitation and Water Improvements. The amendment increases the price the Utility Commission pays for asphalt repair in order to compensate the contractor for increases in asphalt prices since the project was bid in 2006.</p> <p>The Commission did not approve a resolution modifying the budget for the West End basin sewer rehabilitation and water improvement project by \$260,530 to cover the cost of additional pavement resurfacing within the project area.</p>
	General Business
	<p>The Commission approved a resolution authorizing the transfer of funds to cover the cost of certain utility expenses related to Clemmonsville Road extension project. The estimated cost, including contingencies, for water improvements is \$259,300 and the estimated cost, including contingencies, for sewer improvements is \$213,500.</p>
Water and Wastewater Treatment	
<p>The Commission approved two engineering agreements with S&ME, Inc. for construction materials testing services associated with the R.A. Thomas Water Treatment Plant Improvements project and for the Elledge Wastewater Treatment Plant Influent Pumping Station and Preliminary Treatment Improvements. The proposed fees for these services are \$240,421 and \$240,424 respectively or for a total award of \$480,845 for both projects combined.</p>	

General Business Cont.

The Commission approved an extra item to pursue a settlement with a property owner over a permanent easement for the operation and maintenance of the Deep River Outfall Sewer. Staff has been directed to offer \$28,452.66 to the property owner as a settlement for the easement. This amount was determined by an appointed third party Commission in place of court mediation.

The Commission unanimously approved a motion made from the floor for the intent to move forward with the construction of the Thomas Water Treatment Plant Improvement contract and the Elledge Wastewater Treatment Plant and Influent Pumping Station and Primary Clarifier Improvements. After considering the critical infrastructure that is failing at the Elledge Plant and the future water quality requirements of the Thomas Water Treatment Plant, it was determined that it would cost an additional \$22 million in treatment process improvements alone if the Thomas Plant project were to be cancelled. Coupled with other required changes to the distribution piping network, the cost of not proceeding is high enough to justify moving forward with the project. The best long-term decision for the customers would be to proceed with both projects as proposed and scheduled.