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The Finance and Administration Committee met on Monday, May 15, 2017 in the Board Room, 625 St. Joseph Street, New Orleans, LA. The meeting convened at approximately 2:10 P.M.

Present:

Joseph Peychaud, Vice-Chair
Kerri Kane
Dr. Tamika Duplessis

Absent:

Scott Jacobs

Other Committee/Board Members Present:

Alan Arnold

ACTION ITEMS:

Item 1 General Superintendent’s Recommendations

Bids:

- R – 039 – 2017 – Contract #2126 – Water Main Point Repair, Water Service Connection, Water Valve And Fire Hydrant Replacement At Various Sites Throughout Orleans Parish.

Dr. Tamika Duplessis moved to accept Item 1 under the General Superintendent’s Recommendations listed above. Kerri Kane seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Contract Finance Acceptance:

- R – 040 – 2017 – Contract #3666 – 404 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Replacement of Lake Forest Sewage Pumping Station.

Kerri Kane moved to accept Item 2 for Contract #3666. Dr. Tamika Duplessis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Item 2 **Change Order(s) R-041-2017 through R-046-2017**

Kerri Kane moved to accept Ratification of Change Order No. 1 as described in R-041-2017. Dr. Tamika Duplessis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Kerri Kane moved to accept Ratification of Change Order No. 3 as described in R-042-2017. Dr. Tamika Duplessis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Kerri Kane moved to accept Ratification of Amendment No. 9 as described in R-043-2017. Dr. Tamika Duplessis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Kerri Kane moved to accept Amendment as described in R-044-2017. Dr. Tamika Duplessis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Kerri Kane moved to accept Authorization as described in R-045-2017. Dr. Tamika Duplessis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Kerri Kane moved to accept Authorization as described in R-046-2017. Dr. Tamika Duplessis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Item 3 **Louisiana System Survey and Compliance Questionnaire**

Kerri Kane moved to accept the Louisiana System Survey and Compliance Questionnaire as described in (R-027-2017). Dr. Tamika Duplessis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Item 4 **Actuarial Valuation Report for Employees' Retirement System as of December 31, 2016 and Recommended Resolution for Employer Contribution rate for 2017**

Dr. Tamika Duplessis moved to accept the Actuarial Valuation Report for Employees' Retirement System as of December 31, 2016 and Recommended Resolution for Employer Contribution rate for 2017 as described in (R-048-2017). Kerri Kane seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Item 5 **Executive Session**

- Rhonda Crutchfield, et al v. Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans, et al – USDC Eastern District of Louisiana, civil Action no. 2:13-c-04801
Dr. Tamika Duplessis moved to go into Executive Session to discuss litigation matter(s). Kerri Kane seconded the motion. The motion carried.
Dr. Tamika Duplessis moved to return to regular session. Kerri Kane seconded the motion. The motion carried. Kerri Kane moved to accept the Special Counsel's recommendation(s) to accept the case at hand. Dr. Tamika Duplessis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

PRESENTATION ITEMS:

Item 6 **Financial Results through March 2017**

Robert Miller presented the financial results through March 2017.

Item 7 **Helping Customers Understand Their Bill**

Robert Miller presented slides on helping customers understand their bill.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Information item(s) 8, 9 and 10 were received.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Finance & Administration Committee, the meeting adjourned at approximately 3:45 P.M.

Also in attendance were Cedric S. Grant, Executive Director; Robert Miller, Deputy Director, CFO; Joseph Becker, General Superintendent; Valerie Rivers, Deputy Director, Logistics; Nolan Lambert, Special Counsel; Harold Marchand, Yolanda Grinstead, Legal Department; Willie Mingo, Purchasing Department; Amer Tufail, Greenpoint Engineers; Randy Smith, Royal Engineers; Jan Evans and Juba Diaz, Volkert; Lawrence Williams and Jasmin Lawrence, Board Relations Unit.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Peychaud, Vice Chair