

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF THE
SPORTS & EXHIBITION AUTHORITY OF PITTSBURGH
AND ALLEGHENY COUNTY
HELD THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2015
AT THE DAVID L. LAWRENCE CONVENTION CENTER
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA
COMMENCING AT 10:36 A.M. E.S.T.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County (the "Authority") was held upon proper notice in Room 333 of the David L. Lawrence Convention Center in Pittsburgh, PA 15222, on Thursday, February 12, 2015, commencing at 10:36 A.M. E.S.T.

Members of the Authority

Present: Senator Wayne Fontana, Chairman
Reverend John Welch, Member
Michael Dunleavy, Vice-Chairman
Sala Udin, Member
Jill Weimer, Member

Absent: Councilman Dan Gilman, Member
Councilman James Ellenbogen, Member

Also Present: Mary Conturo, Doug Straley, Rosanne Casciato, Rosemary Carroll, Rifat Qureshi, Taylor Blice, Christina Lynch and Allison Botti of the Authority; Clarence Curry of CFC-3; Tom Ryser of TPR, LLC; Bob McClintock, Tim Muldoon, Hiedi Strothers, Conor McGarvey, Ryan Buries, Kevin Fonner, and Linda Mihalic of SMG; Frederick Douglas of Cosmos Technologies; Chris Hunter of Pittsburgh Associates; Frederick Winkler, architect and Tom Fontaine of Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Senator Fontana called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a roll call of the Board Members. Beginning with public participation, Senator Fontana asked if any members of the audience would like to address the Board. Hearing none, he moved to the

next item on the agenda. The meeting continued with the approval of minutes from the meetings of December 11, 2014. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved.

Senator Pontana addressed new business with the first item on the agenda, a request for authorization to ratify an agreement with Accent Electric Systems Integrators, Inc. in a lump sum amount of \$29,824 for the fire alarm system repair.

Mr. Buries stated that the fire alarm control computer is an integral part of the building life system. By providing a window into the fire alarm system, the fire control computer alerts us to conditions within the system that may require attention, reduces the response time during alarm events, and in some cases can help prevent false alarms, thus reducing the nuisance of alarms that require the Pittsburgh Fire Department to respond unnecessarily. Without the control computer the fire alarm is still functional, but security and engineering personnel do not have detailed information of what is occurring within the system; meaning that the actual locations within the building of the condition that has triggered the alarm is not easily ascertained.

The fire alarm control computer was installed during the original construction of the building and ran on a software platform and hardware from the early 2000s. There are no valid warranties remaining on this equipment. In late December of 2014, the computer ceased operating. Despite their efforts, Accent personnel were not able to repair the computer. They were, however, able to recover the unique files that are specific to the convention center. These files contain drawings that identify the location of every device tied into the fire alarm system including pull stations, smoke detectors, flow switches, etc. The recovery of these files greatly reduced the programming time required to replace the equipment. This contract will include regular backups of the files to be stored onsite at the convention center.

Mr. Buries explained that they had budgeted money to upgrade the system in 2015 but with public show season and large crowds approaching, SMG determined that it was prudent to have the control computer replaced as quickly as possible. They used the current provider, Accent, to implement the replacement. They also took the opportunity to add some features that will allow text message notification of alarms to key personnel as well as additional 'look-in' nodes that will allow key personnel view-only access into the system. These upgrades will further reduce response times to alarm events by distributing more detailed information more quickly.

Due to the critical nature of this system, SMG engaged Accent in December in order to minimize down time of control computer. There is approximately 3-5 weeks of lead time for delivery, programming and installation of the system. In the meantime, SMG has procured a loaner computer with a 30-day limit to bridge the gap in coverage. SMG will reschedule the annual fire alarm testing, which is typically in December, to verify immediately upon installation of this system that everything is functioning properly within the building. SMG believes this pricing is fair based on Accent's pricing used for ongoing service calls. A separate service contract with Accent will be done as part of the SMG operating budget.

Senator Fontana asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5286

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to ratify an agreement with Accent Electronic Systems Integrators, Inc. in a lump sum amount of \$29,824 for the fire alarm system repair; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana introduced the next item, which was a request for authorization to enter into a contract with McCutcheon Enterprises, Inc. in an amount up to \$25,000, to be billed based on time and material, for wastewater treatment plant sump tank cleanout.

Mr. Buries stated that the 50,000 gallon capacity on site wastewater treatment plant collects and treats all wastewater from sanitary and potable uses. This water is then recycled throughout the building for toilet flushing. The plant's treatment components include a sump tank, aerobic digester, carbon filter system, and ultraviolet disinfection system. Approximately 5.2 million gallons of water were treated and reused in 2013. This accounted for almost 36% of the total indoor water usage. The wastewater treatment plant is operated by a third party, Veolia North America.

This request is for cleanout of the influent sump / storage tank, which is located beneath the parking garage. The cleanout is required every 3-5 years and was last performed in 2011. This process entails a confined space entry into the underground storage tank for removal of an estimated 30,000 gallons of waste. Additionally, the interior of the tank will be cleaned and inspected at this time.

An RFP was advertised in the New Courier, Pittsburgh Tribune-Review, and the SEA website soliciting proposals for this work. One proposal was received from McCutcheon for the cleanout. The sump tank cleanout will be scheduled around the events schedule but is anticipated to be completed no later than April 15. Mr. Curry reviewed the RFP and proposer list, however there is no MBE/WBE participation on this very specialized contract.

After asking for questions and hearing none, Senator Fontana asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5287

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to enter into a contract with McCutcheon Enterprises, Inc. in an amount up to \$25,000, to be billed based on time and material, for wastewater treatment plant sump tank cleanout; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana introduced the next item, a request for authorization to enter into an agreement with Pittsburgh Electric Motor Repair, Inc. in an amount up to \$7,935 for the rebuild of eight motors and pumps for the water feature.

Mr. Buries stated that the water feature at the convention center is an architectural element that provides a unique gateway from the city to the riverfront plaza. The operation of the feature requires the synchronous operation of 28 electric motor/pump assemblies to pump approximately 70,000 gallons of water throughout the system.

After 12 years of operation, these motor and pump assemblies have begun to show wear and thus reduced efficiency resulting in higher energy consumption. The scheduled routine rebuild of these assemblies has been budgeted over a three-year period. The convention center staff identifies the priority for sequencing of the repairs based on observation of the performance of each assembly through the course of the operational season which is typically late April through October. They have identified eight motor/pump assemblies in need of rebuild this year. These motors were installed during initial construction and there are no valid warranties.

A notice was placed in the other opportunities section of the Authority website and quotes were solicited from three vendors with Pittsburgh Electric Motor Repair being the lowest price. A 10% discount to the overall price may be available and will be determined upon award

of the contract. The work will begin upon approval of this request and execution of the contract. The assemblies will be rebuilt and returned by April 1, 2015.

After asking for questions and hearing none, Senator Fontana asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5288

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to enter into a an agreement with Pittsburgh Electric Motor Repair, Inc. in an amount up to \$7,935 for the rebuild of eight motors and pumps for the water feature; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana continued on to the next item, a request for authorization to enter into an agreement with Mann Construction in a lump sum amount of \$7,920 for installation of work deck in the wastewater treatment plant.

Mr. Buries explained that in January 2014 Veolia North America took over as the third party operator of the waste water treatment plant and the chiller plant. Over the course of their first year on site, Veolia performed a safety audit of the wastewater treatment plant and determined that supplemental work platforms were required to safely perform all of the tasks necessary to efficiently operate the plant. Thornton Tomasetti was contracted to design the platforms. This permanent platform will be supplemented by the construction of temporary scaffolding when required for maintenance. The scaffolding will be rented in 2015 on a trial basis and may be purchased in the future if it is deemed beneficial.

A notice was placed in the other opportunities section of the Authority website and six companies, including one MBE and two WBEs, were contacted directly for solicitation of quotes. Mann Construction submitted the lowest price and therefore is recommended for this contract.

After asking for questions and hearing none, Senator Fontana asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5289

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to enter into an agreement with Mann Construction in a lump sum amount of \$7,920 for installation of work deck in the wastewater treatment plant; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana continued on to the next item, a request for authorization to approve a change order with Deckman Control Systems in an amount of \$4,910 for field level controllers upgrade.

Mr. Buries stated that in June 2014 the Board approved two contracts with Deckman Control Systems. The first was for replacement of hardware components and a software upgrade; the second was for an ongoing service contract and re-commissioning of HVAC component throughout the building. Through the course of the installation, it was discovered that a number of field level controllers, specifically the 25 controllers servicing the administrative office area, have degraded to the point that they are no longer reliable. They need to be replaced in order to consistently control temperatures in that space. If authorized, Deckman will provide the

equipment and supervise the startup of the new controllers, which will be installed by convention center steamfitters.

In the explanation of the June 2014 request, SMG noted that, "...It should be recognized that this approach, as it would be with any other controls manufacturer, will require that certain future work and repairs would need to be sole sourced to the manufacturer (which in this case is Alerton)." Deckman is the local authorized Alerton representative. Deckman has offered pricing equivalent to list price less 50% less 30% for the controllers for this project. This project will commence upon authorization and is expected to take 2-4 weeks since there is minimal lead time.

Senator Fontana asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5290

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to approve a change order with Deckman Control Systems in an amount of \$4,910 for field level controllers upgrade; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana continued on to the next item, a request for authorization to enter into a three-year agreement, with an option to extend for two years, with Three Rivers Entertainment, Inc., for preferred audio visual services.

Mr. Muldoon explained that in 2008 Three Rivers Entertainment, Inc. was contracted to perform services as the preferred provider of audio/visual services at the convention center. The preferred provider of A/V services has a physical presence at the convention center and services

many of the events. Events contract directly with the preferred provider and a revenue share is paid back to the convention center. The revenue share on the previous contract was 30%.

SMG desired to explore all available options for a new contract and issued an RFP. The issued RFP was published in the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review, the Pittsburgh Courier, the Authority and convention center websites on November 8, 2014. SMG also sought out companies to submit proposals. Ten companies received the RFP. Proposals were due on December 10, 2014. Two qualified respondents were Hughie's Event Production Services and Three Rivers Entertainment.

SMG closely examined the pricing offered on equipment and rigging rental for each responding company. Three Rivers' pricing for cost of rental equipment and rigging rental was on average 32% lower than the other proposal. For package pricing for meeting rooms, Three Rivers' pricing was 28% lower. Three Rivers' revenue share proposal is 30% for A/V and rigging equipment.

Hughie proposed a revenue share on A/V equipment that is based on a sliding scale that started at 40% and dropped to as low as 20% based on the client discount offered. Their rigging revenue share of 50% on the surface looked impressive but SMG was concerned about the overall cost to the client.

Based on customer survey results over the last two years, Three Rivers Entertainment, Inc. has achieved a positive response rate from SMG's valued clients of over 92%. SMG believes that Three Rivers Entertainment, Inc. presented the best overall package for the convention center based on a strong, straight-forward revenue share proposal. Additionally,, the pricing to SMG's customers on A/V equipment was considerably less expensive than Hughie's, giving SMG a greater opportunity to capture a greater share of the market.

Senator Fontana asked if there were any questions from the Board. Mr. Udin asked Mr. Muldoon to explain the MBE/WBE participation.

Mr. Muldoon explained that Three Rivers Entertainment and SMG both independently reached out to Mr. Curry, the Authority's diversity coordinator, to discuss that issue. Currently, there are no MBE/ WBE opportunities, but the goal moving forward is for Three Rivers Entertainment to purchase additional equipment from an MBE/WBE vendor if possible. In addition, Three Rivers provided data on their hiring practices and has presented a qualified minority for one of the two full-time positions at the convention center.

Mr. Udin asked how they plan on contracting with minorities in the future if they weren't able to contract with them now.

Mr. Muldoon explained that they are at 100% capacity but going forward they are going to need to purchase additional equipment to support SMG's needs as technology changes. Three Rivers is actively reaching out to MBE and WBE participation as they go out to purchase and opportunities present themselves.

Reverend Welch asked if there was no way to subcontract audio visual companies for some of their jobs. Equipment won't fail for another two or three years. Technology may change in the same time period, so everyone will have to wait until then for them to honor their agreement.

Mr. Muldoon stated that the owner of Three Rivers is very concerned and wants to be proactive in this regard. He provided very detailed hiring practices of his company that were impressive and he would do everything he could to meet those needs. The company promised to achieve this, and SMG has had a long-term relationship with them. They understand how important it is to the Authority.

Mr. Udin asked if Mr. Muldoon would continue to monitor and Mr. Muldoon agreed.

Reverend Welch asked Mr. Muldoon to confirm that Three Rivers would be hiring someone to be at the convention center. Mr. Muldoon answered that part of the conditions of the RFP was to hire two full-time personnel to support all the A/V needs and they proposed qualified personnel to be one of those two hires.

Mr. Curry added that the Authority monitors all of its contracts on an ongoing basis. When the Authority gets monthly reports, they monitor that. They encourage all of the contractors to improve their MBE and WBE numbers whenever there's an opportunity. They capture that going forward with exhibits attached to new contracts and invoices. The Authority uses Exhibit B to report the plan and then Exhibit C which captures the actual spending. Mr. Curry and Mr. Qureshi work continually to monitor that process going forward.

Mr. Udin thanked Mr. Curry. Senator Fontana suggested that it might be a good idea to let the Board know how the process is going at intervals moving forward. Mr. Curry answered that he had the information.

After asking for questions and hearing none, Senator Fontana asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5291

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to enter into a three-year agreement, with an option to extend for two years, with Three Rivers Entertainment, Inc., for preferred audio visual services; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana continued on to the next item, a request for authorization to reimburse PSSI Stadium Corporation in an amount not-to-exceed \$684,051 for structural steel painting and related inspection services funded by the Heinz Field Capital Reserve Fund.

Mr. Blice stated that in 2014, PSSI Stadium Corporation finished Phase I of a four-phased structural steel painting project for the inner bowl areas. PSSI has now submitted a capital request to the SEA for Phase II. PSSI solicited three bids in 2013 for the project with Avalotis being the lowest bidder.

This authorization is for Phase II of the project. During this Phase, Avalotis will paint the structural steel of the west side of the stadiums on levels one through eight, 500 light fixtures, and the west club. An inspection firm will be employed to provide quality assurance observation services, such as ensuring that the painting contractor meets specification requirements. This work will be performed by KTA-Tator, Inc. at a cost of not-to-exceed \$76,115 based on hourly rates and unit pricing.

The 2013 and 2014 annual inspection reports state that the areas in this scope are in need of repainting. The total cost to complete Phase II of the structural steel painting project is an amount not-to-exceed \$684,051. This project will begin in March and will be completed by the start of the 2015 football season.

Mr. Udin asked why the Board would be asked to approve the action when the MBE participation is only at 2%.

Mr. Blice explained that Avalotis is self-performing but stated that the Authority will be reaching out and having discussions with them to try to increase the percentage.

Mr. Udin told Senator Fontana that he would agree to approve it conditionally, and then asked Ms. Conturo on advice on how they could come back to this and if the participation is not

sufficient to reconsider the contract. They can't keep coming up with minimum minority and women participation especially in areas where there are minorities and women in the field, like painting. Mr. Udin added that if it was elevator construction, he'd understand, but he did not understand having a \$700,000 painting contract and 2% MBE participation. He stated that he didn't want to slow it down and he understood that items are sometimes submitted for approval because they're in a hurry to get things done before the season starts, but they can do better. Mr. Udin said that his support would only be conditional upon satisfactory improvement of MBE/WBE participation.

Ms. Conturo asked Mr. Blice and Mr. Straley if it would be fair to say that they would report back to the Board in two weeks with an update. Mr. Blice thought two weeks would be sufficient time to have discussions with them. Ms. Conturo asked Mr. Udin to approve the item on the condition that they would provide an update in two weeks. Mr. Udin agreed.

After asking for questions and hearing none, Senator Fontana asked for a second motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5292

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to reimburse PSSI Stadium Corporation an amount not-to-exceed \$684,051 for structural steel painting and related inspection services funded by the Heinz Field Capital Reserve Fund; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana continued on to the next item, a request for authorization to enter into an agreement with the Urban Redevelopment Authority, Pittsburgh Arena Real Estate

Redevelopment LP and CRG Services, LLC regarding Block D and infrastructure design modifications.

Mr. Straley explained that as part of the discussions on the development of Block D of the Lower Hill site, the Urban Redevelopment Authority and the Authority have been asked by Clayco, who is the developer that the Penguins selected, as well as the Penguins, to consider modifying some elements of the street infrastructure around that block, including street grades and to consider provisions with respect to future development and other matters related to green space included in the initial design of the Block D development.

The design cost of the requested modifications to the infrastructure is \$223,771, and it is part of the next item on the agenda. This change relates to four different pieces of scope. The first is to lower the Street 2 intersection by two feet while maintaining 5% walkability around Block D, and secondly, lowering the Street 1 intersection by approximately four feet while maintaining 5% walkability. The third is modifications around the building including sidewalks for curb cuts and removal of tree planters in order to allow for development, and the fourth is to separate our Element II bid package to enable us to take deduct alternates for a portion of Street 1 as well as a portion of Street 5.

The following are the terms of the agreement. The Authority will pay for the first \$75,000 of the Michael Baker design cost while the Penguins and Clayco will pay the remainder of the \$148,772. The Penguins will be able to terminate the agreement by April 1st, but they would have to pay back up to \$75,000 for costs incurred to date. The Authority has worked with Michael Baker to come up with a plan to not spend more than the \$75,000 prior to April 1st. The Authority has also talked to a contractor about holding their price for any kind of delay in getting them out there prior to April 1st, and they are in agreement.

Future development, purchase price and the Authority's ability to buy back the land will be included in the agreement with respect to the Block D green space.

Mr. Udin shared that there has been some discussion about the inability of Street 4 to be a drivable street because of the steep elevation. He asked how the elevation change is being proposed, if it affects Street 4, and if those changes can be designed for the streets below is it possible for it to be designed for Street 4.

Mr. Straley did not know the answer and explained that they don't know yet what the changes in elevation will do to the remainder of Street 2 in front of Street 4. Street 4 is extremely steep. There is a major grade difference as you move northeast on the site. Mr. Straley stated that 14% is the maximum they're trying to keep on the overall site and will investigate further but he wasn't sure if they'd be able to achieve. They had heard from the community that it was something they wanted to know about it.

Mr. Ryser provided a more in-depth explanation as he referenced a map. Mr. Udin stated that he would appreciate further examination. Ms. Conturo agreed.

Reverend Welch asked why the street grade elevation changes were necessary for the development of U.S. Steel. Mr. Straley explained that the changes would help the building to meet some of the requirements that are in the PLDP regarding the walkability around it and storm water collection and the amount of cut and fill they would have to do to prepare the site, which impacts appraisal of the site.

Senator Fontana asked if it would still be accepted if the street remained at 20%. Mr. Straley explained that the City would have to accept it. The issues with it would be that cars bottom out, and snow plowing would be difficult. Senator Fontana asked what they would do—if

they would just not do it, go a different route, or not complete the street. Ms. Conturo stated that if they City did not accept it, the Authority would own the street.

After asking for more questions and hearing none, Senator Fontana asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5293

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to enter into an agreement with the Urban Redevelopment Authority, Pittsburgh Arena Real Estate Redevelopment LP and CRG Services, LLC regarding Block D and infrastructure design modifications; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana continued on to the next item, a request for authorization to issue a change order with Michael Baker Jr. in a lump sum amount of \$322,114 for additional work related to the roadway design.

Mr. Straley explained that in January 2012, the Board approved entering into a contract with Michael Baker to approve the preliminary final design of the new infrastructure of the Lower Hill. There are eight different items related to this authorization, the largest of which was the item previously discussed for \$223,000 and involved the four items discussed then. The other major item now is that the Authority received a Transportation Alternatives Program grant, which is a federal grant administered through the state and so the Authority has to a separate a portion of both the exterior infrastructure and the interior infrastructure to create its own bid package and go through the federal process. There is an additional design cost of \$68,000 to do that. Also on the red portion, Element I on the map, they had modified the bid package to take

the deduct alternates for Streets 3 and 4. The Authority currently has \$15M in state RACP funding and is trying to maximize the amount of infrastructure and development with that amount. The deduct alternates in the Phase I contract cost approximately \$24M. The other two are minor changes: a light fixture change at the request of the City that the design team evaluated and put into the bid package, as well as an additional subdivision that was needed to create parcels for the URA to transfer to the Authority.

Mr. Udin asked about MBE/WBE participation. Mr. Straley answered that WBE participation in the project is 5.4% and the MBE is approximately 18%. It was not included in the packets given to the Board members because the Authority was still working through the numbers with Michael Baker after they were distributed.

After asking for questions and hearing none, Senator Fontana asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5294

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to issue a change order with Michael Baker Jr. in a lump sum amount of \$322,114 for additional work related to the roadway design; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana introduced the next item, which was a request for authorization to file an application requesting a Community Infrastructure and Tourism Fund grant from the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County in an amount up to \$250,000 to be used for the

Lower Hill Infrastructure Project, and, if approved, to enter into all documents for receipt of funds.

Mr. Qureshi explained the Community Infrastructure and Tourism Fund is a program that is administered by the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County and is funded by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The program provides financial assistance to help facilitate economic development related to construction, development, improvement and maintenance of infrastructure projects. Grants may be requested up to \$250,000 per application. The Authority is requesting assistance up to that amount to be used, if approved, toward construction inspection costs related to construction of the new street grid for the Lower Hill project. The deadline to apply for the grant is February 27, 2015.

After asking for questions and hearing none, Senator Fontana asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5295

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized file an application requesting a grant from the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County in an amount up to \$250,000 to be used for the Lower Hill Infrastructure Project, and if approved, to enter into all documents and agreements with the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County for receipt of the requested grant; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana introduced the next item, a request for authorization to enter into a grant agreement with Colcom Foundation in an amount up to \$16,000 for lighting repairs at the Law Enforcement Officers Memorial.

Mr. Qureshi explained that the memorial is located in North Shore Riverfront Park and is next to the Tribute to Children. The memorial is owned and maintained by the Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial Inc, nonprofit organization which consists of police officers, survivors, and private citizens. The City's Department of Public Works assists the organization with maintenance, though there is no formal agreement between them.

The City provided information to the Authority that certain light fixtures at the memorial have deteriorated specifically five flag pole lights, three sidewalk lights, and three wall lights. The City's electrical contractor provided a quote in an amount not-to-exceed \$31,993. The Authority applied for a grant with Colcom Foundation on behalf of the City to assist in funding the repairs. Colcom has approved a grant up to \$16,000 for this project and the City will provide the match of 50% of total cost. There would be no cost to the Authority. The City will undertake the work with their contractor and it is expected to be completed in the second quarter of the year.

After asking for questions and hearing none, Senator Fontana asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5296

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to enter into a grant agreement with Colcom Foundation in an amount up to \$16,000 for lighting repairs at the Law Enforcement Officer's Memorial; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Senator Fontana introduced the next item, which was a request for authorization to join with the City of Pittsburgh, authorities, and municipalities in an aggregated electric load program

for the provision of electric supply through an auction, and authorization to enter into an electric supply agreement that would commence in May 2015 with the successful bidder.

Ms. Lynch, the new sustainability coordinator for the Authority introduced herself and introduced the final item on the agenda. She explained that the Board had previously authorized the Authority to participate with the City, County and other authorities in a reverse auction for electric supply from November 2007 until today in three separate phases. The Authority now requests authorization to join in Phase IV of the program for both the convention center and the North Shore Garage. This will be the first time that North Shore Garage facility will be participating in the program. Since the current electric generation supplier, Duquesne Light Energy is exiting the supply business, the current supply contracts cannot be renewed or extended. The consortium recommends that it is in the best interest of the participants to take advantage of favorable market conditions and share future low rates by holding the auction within the next several weeks.

The auction will be held on a date based on daily market tests where the consortium evaluates what the market will offer against their pre-established baseline. And when prices are received from electric suppliers, they're based on the commodities market and usually only held for two days. Therefore, the Authority requests authorization to immediately enter into an electric supply contract with the entity that provides the lowest priced offer. The effective supplier start date for the accounts will be in May 2015 for the North Shore Garage and either May 2015 or May 2016 for the convention center. The period of the program will be based on the pricing received for the different term options. This Phase IV of the auction program will be bid at 70% brown power, which is the conventional sources, and 30% renewable power. This

level or renewable energy is in compliance with the standards set by the convention center's LEED for existing buildings operation and maintenance certification.

Finally, the electric utility costs are paid from the convention center operation budget and the electric utility cost for the North Shore Garage are paid by the North Shore Garage operating budget, and the results of this procurement will be reflected in the 2016 and forward budgets.

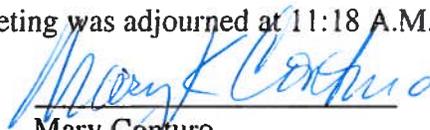
Reverend Welch asked if the rates would be fixed for the duration of the contract. Ms. Lynch confirmed.

After asking for questions and hearing none, Senator Fontana asked for a motion to approve. On a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION NO. 5297

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to join with the City of Pittsburgh, authorities, and municipalities in an aggregated electric load program for the provision of electric supply through an auction, and authorized to enter into an electric supply agreement that would commence in May 2015 with the successful bidder; and further that the proper officers and agents of the Authority are authorized to take all action and execute such documents as are necessary and proper to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.

Finishing new business, Senator Fontana asked if any members of the audience would like to address the Board or if there were comments from the Board Members. There being no comments or business, Senator Fontana asked for a motion to adjourn. Upon a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 11:18 A.M.


Mary Conturo
Assistant Secretary

