

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF THE
SPORTS & EXHIBITION AUTHORITY OF PITTSBURGH
AND ALLEGHENY COUNTY
HELD THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2013
AT THE DAVID L. LAWRENCE CONVENTION CENTER
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA
COMMENCING AT 10:37 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 14, 2013, commencing at 10:37 A.M. E.S.T.

Members of the Authority

Present: Senator Fontana, Chairman
Michael Dunleavy, Vice-Chairman
Sean Logan, Secretary
Anthony Ross, Treasurer
Sala Udin, Member

Absent: Councilwoman Darlene Harris, Member
James Ellenbogen, Member

Also Present: Mary Conturo, Doug Straley, Rosanne Casciato, Rosemary Carroll, Taylor Blice, Theresa Bissell, Rifat Qureshi, Angelica Ciranni, and Michelle Masters of the Authority; Mark Leahy and Ryan Buries of SMG; Tom Ryser of TPR, LLC; Clarence Curry of CFC-3; Jason Kobeda and Chris Hunter of Pittsburgh Associates; Scott Wivell of Hill International; Brian Fischbach of Fisher Associates; and Frederick Winkler, architect

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, the meeting continued with the

approval of minutes from the meeting of December 28, 2012. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved.

Senator Fontana moved on to the election of officers. Mr. Udin nominated Senator Fontana for Chairman, Mr. Dunleavy for Vice Chairman, Mr. Logan for Secretary, Mr. Ross for Treasurer, Executive Director Ms. Conturo for Assistant Secretary and Chief Financial Officer Ms. Casciato for Assistant Treasurer. Senator Fontana asked for a motion to approve. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried.

Senator Fontana began addressing new business with the first item on the agenda, a request for authorization to enter into a \$22,300 contract with Mann Construction Inc. for the installation of a safety platform at the aquifer filter bypass valve.

Mr. Buries explained that aquifer water used in the Tenth Street Water Feature is treated by a green sand filter located in the Convention Center garage to remove iron content. At times such as cleaning sidewalks with power washers, it is beneficial to bypass this filter. The valve that allows this bypass is located on the second level of the parking garage. It is positioned in a manner that makes access difficult, so installing a safety platform will provide a better and easier access point than the current configuration. The request includes the cost of supplies and the installation of the safety platform. This project was publicly advertised on December 4th in the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review and December 5th in the Pittsburgh Courier; it was also posted on the Authority's website. A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting was held December 6, 2012, and one contractor, Mann Construction, attended. Public opening was held on December 20, 2012, a total of three bids were received, and Mann Construction Inc. was the lowest bid. After completing a scope review with the engineer, the decision to recommend awarding the contract to them was

made. On approval, this project will proceed as allowed by the Convention Center's event schedule with substantial completion anticipated on or around July 1, 2013.

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. 5128

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 \$22,300 contract with Mann Construction Inc. for the installation of a safety platform at the aquifer filter bypass valve; 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 \$165,000 contract with Mendel Steel and Ornamental Iron Co. for the installation of catwalk safety rails.

Mr. Buries stated that the natural ventilation system in the main exhibit halls is a prominent green feature of the Convention Center. The system capitalizes on the chimney effect and cools halls by drawing in outside air and forcing hotter air to rise and exhaust through vents located at the top of the banana roof. This process eliminates the need to run large mechanical HVAC units to cool the exhibition area. The vents located at the top of the banana roof are accessed by climbing the catwalk system. Maintenance staff needs to access the vents on a quarterly basis to perform preventative maintenance and cleaning. Installation of safety handrails on the catwalks will provide maintenance personnel better access to the dampeners and

mechanical components of the natural ventilation system located above the clerestory. In June 2012, the Board gave Thornton Tomasetti authorization to perform structural engineering services for various projects over a three year term. They were involved as the design engineer for this project by designing the handrail installation. This request includes furnishing and installing the handrails at two catwalk systems, and will allow access to all the dampeners in the exhibit hall area. This project was publicly advertised on December 4, 2012 in the Tribune Review and December 5th in the Pittsburgh Courier. It was also posted on the website. A pre-bid meeting was held on December 6th with seven contractors attending. The public opening was held on December 20th for the three bids that were received. Mendel Steel and Ornamental Iron Company, a WBE certified company, submitted the low bid. After completing a scope review with Thornton Tomasetti Engineers, a committee consisting of Mr. Buries of SMG, Mr. Straley and Mr. Blice of the Authority, Mr. Ryser of TPR, LLC, and Mr. Pinto of Thornton Tomasetti, decided to recommend awarding Mendel Steel the contract. Upon approval this project will proceed as allowed by the Convention Center's event schedule with substantial completion anticipated on or around July 1st.

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. 5129

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 \$165,000 contract with Mendel Steel and Ornamental Iron Co. for the installation of catwalk safety rails; 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 issue a not to exceed \$7,000 change order with Jeff Zell Consultants for inspection services of the catwalk safety rails.

Mr. Buries explained that the specifications for the Mendel Steel contract, which were created by Thornton Tomasetti engineers, call for a special inspector to review the bolt connections on the handrail installation due to life safety aspects of the project on the catwalks. Proposals from A & A Consultants, Construction Engineering Consultants, and Jeff Zell Consultants were solicited and reviewed. Based on personnel assigned and their hourly rates, Zell Consultants was determined to be the low cost provider as special inspector for this project. Upon approval, the special inspector will be mobilized as necessary with the previously authorized 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. 5130

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to issue a not to exceed \$7,000 change order with Jeff Zell Consultants for inspection services of the catwalk safety rails; 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 issue a not-to-exceed \$39,400 change order to CFC-3 Management Services, Clarence Curry, for MBE/WBE oversight through December 31, 2013.

Mr. Straley stated that Mr. Curry has served as the Authority's Senior Diversity Coordinator for the past five years. He has maintained relationships between the Authority and local stakeholders such as the African American Chamber of Commerce, the NAACP, and City and County MBE/WBE Offices. Mr. Curry will focus throughout this year on the following duties: the closeout of the demolition and site prep activity on the former Civic Arena site, participation in the evaluation of professional service and construction proposals and follow up monitoring for the infrastructure development on the Lower Hill Redevelopment Site, and participation in ongoing formal and informal discussions with the Penguins development team, City and County officials and community stakeholders regarding the Lower Hill Redevelopment Site. He will also perform diversity coordination services for contracting and maintenance work on all Authority facilities. Mr. Curry maintains his fixed rate of \$3,200 per month with an allowance of up to \$1,000 for preapproved expenses related to conference registrations, hosting of network events and out of town travel as requested by the Authority.

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. 5131

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to issue a not-to-exceed \$39,400 change order to CFC-3 Management Services, Clarence Curry, for MBE/WBE oversight through December 31, 2013; 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 issue a not-to-exceed \$149,376 change order to TPR, LLC for design and construction oversight of various projects through December 31, 2013.

Mr. Straley explained that Mr. Ryser, who also is in the audience, has worked with the Authority for the past 12 years as a project manager for AMEC, Resource International, and now for TPR, LLC. He will be working this coming year on the Lower Hill Redevelopment infrastructure and utilities with design and construction professionals. He also assists with the convention center capital projects, North Shore Riverfront Park, PWSA coordination and other Authority issues related to Heinz Field, PNC Park, and CONSOL Energy Center. Mr. Ryser's hourly rate is \$80 an hour and is billed monthly. The majority of his time will be billed to the respective project for which he is working.

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. 5132

RESOLVED by the Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County that its Executive Director and other proper officers are authorized to issue a not-to-exceed \$149,376 change order to TPR, LLC for design and construction oversight of various projects through December 31, 2013; 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 comment on the agenda. Hearing none, Senator Fontana asked if there were comments from 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 10:48 A.M.



Sean Logan
Secretary