

CITY OF EAST CHICAGO BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Val Gomez, President
William Allen, Vice-President
Winna Guzman, Member

Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 24, 2022, at 4:30 p.m.

Reporter by Fissinger & Associates, Ltd.
By: Peggy S. LaLonde

Staff Present: Richard Morrisroe
Olga Cosme

Call to Order: 4:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Val Gomez, Winna Guzman and
William Allen

MR. GOMEZ: Good afternoon everyone. I'd like to call to order the regular meeting of the Board of Public Works for January 24, 2022.

First item, I move we approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 13, 2021.

MS. GUZMAN: Second.

Roll Call: "All in Favor": Val Gomez and Winna Guzman
Abstain: William Allen Opposed: None

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Move on to New Business. First item on the agenda is bid opening for Exchange Reconstruction CProject, Engineering Department.

MR. ALLEN: First is Hasse Construction Company, located 10 Lincoln Avenue, PO Box 300, Calumet City, Illinois. Base bid is \$1,945,000.00, award criteria figure is \$1,915,047.00.

Next we have from FH Paschen, Nielsen & Associates, LLC. Located at 2146 North Karwick Road, Michigan City, Indiana. Base bid is \$1,919,612.95. The award criteria figure is \$1,890,050.91.

Next is Reith Riley Construction located at 7500 West 5th Avenue, Gary Indiana. Base bid is \$1,727,904.58. Award criteria figure is \$1,673,475.56.

1 That's all the bids.

2 MR. GOMEZ: Engineering Department will
3 review all the paperwork and make sure it's proper and
4 get back to us with a recommendation at the next
5 meeting?

6 MR. ALLEN: Right, at the next meeting

7 MR. GOMEZ: Next is Bus Transit, National
8 Industrial Maintenance. This is to disinfect and
9 sanitize the East Chicago transit bus fleet.

10 MR. ROSADO: Frank Rosado, Director, East
11 Chicago Transit. This is continuation of their
12 sanitizing of our bus fleet.

13 MR. GOMEZ: Same as before?

14 MR. ROSADO: No, there is a slight up
15 charge. They have a new labor contract which increased
16 their fees.

17 MR. GOMEZ: That's the 175 and based on
18 bimonthly, with minimum of five buses.

19 MR. ROSADO: Five buses should be
20 maximum.

21 MR. GOMEZ: Okay, maximum. Any questions
22 or comments on this proposal?

23 MS. GUZMAN: This is till the end of the
24 year?

25 MR. ROSADO: Till the end of the year,
yes.

MR. GOMEZ: No further questions, I'll
entertain a motion to approve National Industrial's
maintenance agreement with Bus Transit.

MR. ALLEN: So moved.

MS. GUZMAN: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None

1 Opposed: None

2 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

3 Next from Fire Department, UL Fire
4 Equipment Service proposal, the price sheet and annual
5 inspections.

6 DEPUTY CHIEF ESCOBEDO: Good evening,
7 Deputy Fire Chief Mark Escobedo.

8 MR. GOMEZ: This is an annual proposal,
9 right?

10 DEPUTY CHIEF ESCOBEDO: Correct.

11 MR. GOMEZ: This is actually required?

12 DEPUTY CHIEF ESCOBEDO: Yes, it is. This
13 year we do have added MET test or aerial ladder test.

14 MR. GOMEZ: For the record, there is a
15 proposal price for every vehicle on the fire department,
16 testing requirements and has prices for each required
17 testing requirement and prices for each.

18 DEPUTY CHIEF ESCOBEDO: Bottom of the
19 third page it has the total of \$6,051.00 for everything
20 that's required this year. We have two reinspections.

21 MR. GOMEZ: Okay, 6,000. Any other
22 questions or comments? (None) Entertain a motion to
23 approve UL Fire Equipment Services testing requirement
24 prices for 2022, in the amount of \$6,050.00.

25 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

MS. GUZMAN: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have Emergency Apparatus
Service policy for 2022 with four companies; Fire
Services Incorporated, out of St. John; Interstate Power
Systems, out of Gary; Legacy Fire, out of Shorewood,
Illinois, and McClean Emergency, out of Aurora,

1 Illinois. Is this something new for your department?

2 DEPUTY CHIEF ESCOBEDO: No, we have used
3 these companies the last couple years. Basically what
4 it does, it provides the four vendors, in case we have
5 an engine or apparatus go down and one of the vendors
6 isn't available to service the vehicle in an appropriate
7 amount of time; we have a follow-up company that could
8 step in and make the repairs and get the rig back in
9 service.

10 MR. GOMEZ: They have agreed to same
11 price?

12 DEPUTY CHIEF ESCOBEDO: Yes.

13 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?
14 (None) Entertain a motion to approve East Chicago Fire
15 Department, Emergency Apparatus Service policy for
16 aforementioned four company's.

17 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

18 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

19 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

20 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
21 Opposed: None

22 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

23 Next we have Sounds & Graphics,
24 Multi-Media. It's for the newsletter. All pricing in
25 your packet. Any questions or comments on this
proposal?

MR. ALLEN: According to the e-mail, we
are just approving the per issue.

MR. GOMEZ: I think we are approving the
six issues and then the 12. There is the 18 issues.

MR. ALLEN: So 18 is the six plus the 12.

MR. GOMEZ: So \$8,442.00.

MR. ALLEN: So that's the total cost
then?

1 MR. GOMEZ: Right.

2 MR. ALLEN: No further questions.

3 MR. GOMEZ: There being no further
4 questions or comments, entertain a motion to approve
5 Multi-Media, proposal from Sounds & Graphics, amount of
6 \$8,442.00.

7 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

8 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

9 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

10 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
11 Opposed: None

12 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

13 Next is for Idea Factory to help
14 produce newsletter. Any questions or comments on this?

15 MR. ALLEN: Just the fact it has to start
16 on-the-job 100 percent down payment, I guess as needed.
17 That's the long paragraph, start on this job 100 percent
18 job signed quote and approval with the art company, so
19 we'll strike that?

20 MR. GOMEZ: This company has been working
21 with us for several years now, I'm sure they are aware
22 that we don't pay a down payment; so we'll strike that
23 out on the original one. Any other questions or
24 comments? (None) Entertain a motion to approve the
25 Idea Factory proposal for the newsletters for
Multi-Media for the amount of \$58,200.00.

MR. ALLEN: What was the amount again?

MR. GOMEZ: \$58,200.00, first page.

MR. ALLEN: So moved.

MS. GUZMAN: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

1 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

2 Next we have Resolution 2022-02,
3 Employment of Certain Towing Services. (Resolution
4 read.)

5 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

6 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

7 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

8 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
9 Opposed: None

10 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

11 Next from the Police Department,
12 attached is 2022 contract for psychological services.
13 This vendor has been selected by Chief Hector Rosario.
14 Thank you for your consideration. We have proposal from
15 Gary Durak, Ph.D., Hammond, Indiana. This fee is from
16 January 1st, 2022 to December 31, 2022. Any questions
17 on this direct proposal from the Police Department?
18 (None) Entertain a motion to approve the proposal for
19 the Police Department psychological screening for Mr.
20 Gary Durak for 2022.

21 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

22 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

23 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

24 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
25 Opposed: None

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next also from the Police
Department, proposal for Nitco, from the Chief
requesting 2022 Nitco contract for broadband service
beginning February 2022. This contract was reviewed by
Kevin Klocek, our IT director, and approved. The
proposal from Nitco is for 36 months, total amount \$109.
Any questions or comments on this broadband proposal for
Nitco for the Police Department? (None) Entertain a
motion to approve Nitco proposal.

MR. ALLEN: So moved.

1 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

2 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

3 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
4 Opposed: None

5 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

6 Outstanding voices. First one is
7 Police Department from CDW-G. It's dated 1/13/21,
8 amount of \$783.37. The explanation is the invoice was
9 lost in the mail. Any questions or comments? (None)
10 Entertain a motion to approve invoice.

11 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

12 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

13 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

14 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
15 Opposed: None

16 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

17 Next from Butler Fairman and
18 Seufert. This is a late invoice dated 6/20/21, amount
19 of \$15,832.75. The reason, invoice was received late on
20 January 7, 2022. Services have been rendered and should
21 be processed. This is from Engineering Department. Any
22 questions or comments on this late invoice? (None)
23 Entertain a motion to approve the late invoice.

24 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

25 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have late invoice to Public
Works from Gateway Business Systems. There are several
invoices: 6/22/21, 5/25/21, 8/20/21, 9/20/21, 10/19/21,
11/22/21, for of \$1,633.86. The explanation, the
invoices were not submitted by vendor to Public Works.
Please see attached e-mail. Services were rendered
though?

1 MR. CID: Yes.

2 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?
3 (None) Entertain a motion to approve invoices in the
4 amount of \$1,633.86.

5 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

6 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

7 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

8 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
9 Opposed: None

10 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

11 Also with Public Works from Rush
12 Trucking, we have invoice dated 9/29/21, 11/29/21,
13 10/13/21, 9/29/21, amount of \$11,082.00. Explanation,
14 invoices were sent to vehicle maintenance on 10/19/21
15 taxes were on some of the invoices, credits made in
16 December. Please see attached invoices for which
17 credits were issued, and work was provided. Any
18 questions or comments on these late invoices? (None)
19 Entertain a motion to approve Rush Trucking past due
20 invoice for \$11,082.00.

21 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

22 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

23 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

24 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
25 Opposed: None

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have Public Works from
Chicago Tire dated 10/6/21, amount \$187.00. Invoice was
missed by Public Works, waited on work order ticket from
company, but the work was performed?

MR. CID: Yes.

MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on
this one from Chicago Tire? (None) Entertain a motion
to approve the late invoice for Chicago Tire.

MR. ALLEN: So moved.

1 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

2 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

3 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
4 Opposed: None

5 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

6 Next we have late invoices from
7 Thomas Irrigation, Public Works, dated 10/21/21 and
8 11/5/21, total of \$260.00. Explanation, all invoices
9 are e-mailed to Public Works but these two were never
10 sent. The price was different than what the contract
11 stated, but the work was completed?

12 MR. CID: Yes.

13 MR. GOMEZ: So any questions or comments
14 on these invoices? (None) Entertain a motion to
15 approve Thomas Irrigation invoice in the amount of
16 \$260.00.

17 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

18 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

19 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

20 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
21 Opposed: None

22 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

23 Next we have Cintas Corporation to
24 Public Works. We have 3 invoices. First one is dated
25 10/15/21, for \$151.40. These specific invoices signed
by Cintas and never received by the office personnel.
The second one is dated 9/03/21, amount of \$3,056.43.
Invoice overcharged, waiting for credit of \$2,389 to be
applied to invoice. Once the credit was applied, it was
3,056 then?

MR. CID: Yes.

MR. GOMEZ: So the invoice was incorrect
and was corrected to \$3,056.43. The final one was
invoice dated 8/6/21, 10/8/21, 10/15/2021, 10/22/21, for
the total amount of \$1,465.44. Explanation, these
invoices were never received by office personnel to get
paid. Invoices were signed by Cintas and were never

1 received, but the work was performed.

2 MR. CID: Yes, it was done. Regular
3 driver was on vacation and he had someone else in the
4 spot and he just didn't do the procedures that are
5 always done; so that's why we didn't receive the
6 invoice.

7 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on
8 these three sets of invoices from Cintas Corporation
9 with Public Works? (None) Entertain a motion to
10 approve three sets of Cintas Corporation invoices for
11 Public Works.

12 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

13 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

14 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

15 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
16 Opposed: None

17 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

18 Next we have Altorfer. This is for
19 the generator, maintenance on all the generators in the
20 City. It does list all the generators by name and
21 serial number.

22 MR. CID: Correct.

23 MR. GOMEZ: And the total list on the
24 last page, total service listed. Is this 3-year?

25 MR. CID: Yes.

MR. GOMEZ: This is for 2022, 2023 and
2024, so 3-year, for amount of \$20,611. Is that for the
service, that's the Gold Standard, everything?

MR. CID: Yes, Gold.

MR. GOMEZ: All the generators in the
City, service includes everything. Three years for
\$20,600.00. Any questions or comments?

MS. GUZMAN: I think this says they
charge only one and half percent monthly and we have to
strike that out, on the last page.

1 MR. GOMEZ: A late charge fee, is that
what it is?

2 MS. GUZMAN: Yes.

3 MR. GOMEZ: So we'll strike that out.
4 And they have done the work for us before, right?

5 MR. CID: Yes, past years.

6 MR. GOMEZ: So they should be aware of
that.

7 MR. CID: They did the fire station also,
8 all the generators in the City.

9 MR. GOMEZ: Any other questions or
10 comments? (None) Entertain a motion to approve the
11 Altofer maintenance program for City-wide generators, in
the amount of \$20,600.00.

12 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

13 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

14 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

15 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
16 Opposed: None

17 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

18 Next we have Public Works, Dream
Builders of America. This is their rate schedule for
2022. So this is as needed then?

19 MR. CID: Correct.

20 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

21 MS. GUZMAN: As far as insurance, do they
22 provide that to your office for the general liability,
the customer wishes to be additional named insured,
that's right before you sign.

23 MR. GOMEZ: I see that.

24 MS. GUZMAN: Did they turn that in or do
25 they submit that to you?

1 MR. GOMEZ: The customers wishes to be
2 additional name insured for specific projects.

3 MR. CID: That's if they are going to add
4 something.

5 MR. GOMEZ: I think they would let us
6 know if there was something additional, and then if we
7 decide if we want it, it would be additional.

8 MR. CID: Right, this is just the rate
9 schedule.

10 MR. GOMEZ: No further questions or
11 comments, entertain a motion to accept rate schedule for
12 2022.

13 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

14 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

15 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

16 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
17 Opposed: None

18 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

19 Next we have Ace Exterminating for
20 Public Works. This is annual charge, monthly rate \$120
21 per month, \$1,440.00 annual. This is something we do
22 every year?

23 MR. CID: Yes, this is just the renewal.

24 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on
25 this proposal?

MS. GUZMAN: Strike out the finance
charge.

MR. GOMEZ: Strike out the finance charge
and the annual percentage fee, I think that was done
before so they are aware of that. Any other questions
or comments? (None) Entertain a motion to approve Ace
Exterminating for \$1,140.

MR. ALLEN: So moved.

MS. GUZMAN: Second.

1 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

2 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
3 Opposed: None

4 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

5 Next we have Runnion rates for 2022,
6 labor rates. What exactly did they provide, this
7 company here?

8 MR. CID: They are for vehicle
9 maintenance.

10 MR. GOMEZ: This an annual proposal.

11 MR. CID: Yes, it's for the trucks.

12 MR. GOMEZ: We don't have the address on
13 there for this company?

14 MS. COSME: They just provided the rate
15 sheet.

16 MS. GUZMAN: Maybe they could submit it
17 with the address. I think that would be official.

18 MR. GOMEZ: For the record, if you have
19 anything with the address on it that you could send to
20 Olga so she can attach it. Any other questions or
21 comments? (None) Entertain a motion to approve 2022
22 rate for Runnion.

23 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

24 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

25 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have STM Enterprises for
Public Works. This is for emergency board up services,
emergency services. This the same as last year's
agreement?

MR. CID: This is the same as last year.

1 MR. GOMEZ: The price is for material and
labor.

2 MR. CID: That's correct.

3 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on
4 this proposal? (None) Entertain a motion to approve
5 STM Enterprises proposal for Public Works for emergency
board up services for 2022.

6 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

7 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

8 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

9 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

10 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

11 Next we have Public Works. Ford,
12 this is rates for diesel vehicles and gas vehicles.
13 This is from five Ford dealerships. They vary a little
bit. These are the rates for the Ford dealerships. Any
14 questions or comments? (None) Entertain a motion to
approve.

15 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

16 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

17 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

18 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

19 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

20 MR. CID: Thank you, Board.

21 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Federal
22 Protection Agency, security services, and this comes
from the Controller's office, for heating and cooling
23 shelters, which I believe the Fire Department runs it,
but the Controller pays it out of one of our accounts.
24 This is for the heating and cooling shelters. I believe
it's at Unity Hall. Questions or comments? (None)
25 Entertain a motion to approve the proposal from Federal
Protection Agency.

1 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

2 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

3 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

4 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

5 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

6 Next we have City of East Chicago
7 fuel supply contract for 2022. Agreement between the
8 City of East Chicago through the Board of Public Works
9 and the oil company. This is similar to the last one.
10 The prices are listed for gasoline, the different fuels.
This is any user. Any questions or comments? (None)
Entertain a motion to approve the City of East Chicago
contract for 2022 fuel contract from first day of
January 2022 to the very last day of December 2022.

11 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

12 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

13 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

14 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

15 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

16 Next we have contract with Attorney
17 Jewell Harris for legal services for 2022, not to exceed
\$40,000.

18 MR. MORRISROE: This is primarily for
19 workers comp claims and the research department. It's
down there under contract legal services.

20 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on
21 this proposal? (None) Entertain a motion to approve.

22 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

23 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

24 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

25 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

1 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

2 Next we have Tolbert & Tolbert
3 contract for 2022, legal services. Similar contract,
4 just says for legal services not exceed \$60,000 without
5 prior written authorization. Any questions or comments?

6 MS. GUZMAN: Just where they strike out
7 the 170, whose initials are those, I can't tell. They
8 struck from 170 to 195.

9 MR. MORRISROE: I was thinking about that
10 also. I wonder if that wasn't Sonja.

11 MR. GOMEZ: She's staff and they probably
12 put the increase in after. Any other questions or
13 comments? (None) Entertain a motion to approve contract
14 between City of East Chicago and Tolbert & Tolbert for
15 2022.

16 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

17 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

18 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

19 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
20 Opposed: None

21 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

22 Next we have Smith Sersic, two
23 contracts, one for the Building Department. Cost for
24 various legal services broken down per transaction.
25 Amount not exceed \$25,000. It also has a line for Port
Authority but the other contract is for Port Authority,
so we'll deal with that one then. Any questions or
comments on this contract with Smith Sersic with the
Building Department? (None) Entertain a motion to
approve contract for legal services between the City of
East Chicago and Smith Sersic in relation to work being
done with the Building Department.

MR. ALLEN: So moved.

MS. GUZMAN: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

1 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

2 Next we have another contract for
3 City of East Chicago with Attorney Kevin Smith, Smith
4 Sersic. This one is for advising the Port Authority,
5 which was mentioned in the other one also. And this one
6 is not to exceed \$20,000. The question I had on this
7 one was, I believe that the Port Authority should
8 actually look at this one, but unless there's a reason
9 they brought it to us, we'll act on it.

6 MS. GUZMAN: Are you aware of that, Mr.
7 Morrisroe?

8 MR. MORRISROE: I was aware because I
9 discussed it before the meeting and we agreed that's way
10 it was intended. However, probably will go before the
11 Board of the Port Authority too.

10 MR. GOMEZ: Any other questions or
11 comments? (None) Entertain a motion to approve
12 contract services between City of East Chicago and law
13 firm of Smith Sersic for work in relation to the Port
14 Authority Board.

13 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

14 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

15 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

16 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
17 Opposed: None

18 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

19 Next we have Resolution of East
20 Chicago, Resolution 2022-03, Interlocal Agreement with
21 Housing Authority concerning certain consulting
22 services.

20 As you are aware we had this before us
21 several times and we tabled it. I believe the issue was
22 also with the contract attached, and I believe the
23 Interlocal Agreement matches our agreement. So mutual
24 agreement between the City of East Chicago and Board of
25 Public Works and the Chicago Housing Authority.
(Resolution read.)

24 It says East Chicago Housing Authority
25 executive director and East Chicago Redevelopment. I
think we should scratch Redevelopment. It should just
be East Chicago Housing Authority executive director.

1 We will be providing half of the amount.

2 MS. GUZMAN: Should there be a term on
3 this -- or no -- just open?

4 MR. GOMEZ: I believe it's one year. So
5 basically just going to provide the services using Mr.
6 Turner's expertise in housing. Any further questions?
(None) Entertain a motion to approve East Chicago
7 Resolution number 2022-03 and accompanying Interlocal
8 agreements between the Chicago Housing Authority in the
9 matter of Gerard Turner.

10 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

11 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

12 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

13 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
14 Opposed: None

15 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

16 Next we have Resolution 2022-04,
17 transfer of properties to the School City, property
18 commonly known 415 East 151st street. Now the quitclaim
19 deeds are attached hereto, sold or conveyed for no
20 consideration. Any other questions or comments on this
21 resolution? (None) Entertain a motion to approve
22 Resolution 2022-04.

23 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

24 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

25 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have Lake County Recorder's
office. This is from the Building Department. Building
director sent an explanation, attached fee schedule for
Lake County Recorder's office to the Board of Works for
approval to an amount of \$10,000. This is from James
Portalatin. Fee schedule effective January 1st, 2021,
that should be 2022. I believe it's the same, not to
exceed \$10,000. Any questions or comments on this Lake

1 County Recorder's office schedule? (None) Entertain a
2 motion to approve Lake County Recorder's attached fee
schedule.

3 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

4 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

5 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

6 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
7 Opposed: None

8 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

9 MR. ALLEN: This says everything should
remain the same.

10 MR. GOMEZ: Next we have Notice to
11 Proceed. JM Industrial, we have three Notices to
Proceed: 3930 Fern Street, demolish; Notice to Proceed
12 same contractor, demo for 4751 Melville, and Notice to
Proceed demo 4749 Melville and 4751 Melville. As I said
13 before, all are with JM Industrial Services. Any
questions or comments on these three Notices to Proceed?

14 MR. ALLEN: Just for the record, the 3930
15 Fern address is just the garage.

16 MR. GOMEZ: So noted. Any further
17 questions or comments? (None) Entertain a motion to
approve all three Notices to Proceed with JM Industrial
18 Services for the aforementioned properties, including
the garage on one.

19 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

20 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

21 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

22 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

23 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

24 Next we have First Group
Engineering. We have on call engineering services for
25 2022.

1 MR. ALLEN: This is just an agreement for
2 First Group to provide on call services, PE services,
3 miscellaneous tasks throughout the year of 2022, not to
4 exceed \$130,000.00.

5 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on
6 this? (None) Entertain a motion approve First Group
7 Engineering proposal for on call engineering services
8 for 2022, not to exceed amount of \$130,000.00.

9 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

10 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

11 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

12 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
13 Opposed: None

14 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

15 Next we also have First Group
16 Engineering for 2022, East Chicago Pavement Management
17 Program.

18 MR. ALLEN: This is just to acquire their
19 services to help us with the first round of a grant
20 opportunity. So beginning of this year, specifically
21 what they are helping us with is our asset management
22 inventory for a select few in the amount of \$35,065.00.

23 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments on
24 these? (None) Entertain a motion to approve First
25 Group Engineering 2022 management program, not to exceed
\$35,065.00.

MR. ALLEN: So moved.

MS. GUZMAN: Second.

MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Next we have also from Engineering,
Sargent Electric Company, rates for 2022.

MR. ALLEN: This is just their rates to

1 do electrical repair work throughout the City. We
2 haven't used them in awhile, but we'd like use their
services for this year.

3 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?
4 (None) Entertain a motion to approve Sargent Electric
Company for commercial rates for 2022.

5 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

6 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

7 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

8 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
9 Opposed: None

10 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

11 Next we have Midwestern Electric
services for traffic signals throughout the City and
their rates for 2022.

12 MR. ALLEN: Not too much of difference
13 from previous year. Just like any year, we'd like to
move forward with their annual proposal for electrical
services.

14 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?
15 (None) Entertain a motion to approve Midwestern
16 Electric rates per City of East Chicago for 2022.

17 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

18 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

19 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

20 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

21 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

22 Next, Robinson Engineering 2022 rate
schedule, also Engineering.

23 MR. ALLEN: We'd like to move forward
24 with approving their rates so we can open up a small
purchase order for survey work throughout the City.

25 MR. GOMEZ: Any questions or comments?

1 (None) Entertain a motion to approve Robinson
Engineering 2022 rates.

2 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

3 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

4 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

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6 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

7 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

8 That brings us to right-of-way
applications from Engineering. We have Board of Works
9 permit applications 22-04069 to 22-04074. Any questions
or comments on these permit applications? (None)
10 Entertain a motion to approve the aforementioned Board
of Works permit applications.

11 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

12 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

13 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

14 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

15 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

16 That concludes our New Business. I
believe we have no other business.

17 Our next regular meeting will be
Monday, February 14, 2022, at 4:30 p.m.

18 That concludes our business for
tonight. Entertain a motion for adjournment.

19 MR. ALLEN: So moved.

20 MS. GUZMAN: Second.

21 MR. GOMEZ: Roll call.

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23 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None
Opposed: None

24 MR. GOMEZ: Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned.

25 **** Meeting Adjourned ****

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2 Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of
3 January 24, 2022

4 Approved and Signed January 24, 2022.

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6 Val Gomez, esident

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8 William Allen, Vice President

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10 Winna Guzman, member

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12 Olga Cosme, Secretary
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I, Peggy S. LaLonde, a competent and duly qualified court reporter, do hereby certify that I did report in machine shorthand the foregoing proceedings and that my shorthand notes so taken at said time and place were thereafter reduced to typewriting under my personal direction.

I further certify that the foregoing typewritten transcript constitutes minutes of the said proceedings taken at said time and place, so ordered to be transcribed.

Dated at Munster, Indiana, this 28th day of January, 2022.

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