

WILL COUNTY METROPOLITAN EXPOSITION AND AUDITORIUM AUTHORITY

Date: September 12, 2024

Authority Memo Number **058-2024 September 12, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes**

A special meeting of the Will County Metropolitan Exposition and Auditorium Authority Board was held on September 12, 2024 at 203 N. Ottawa Street, Suite 100, Joliet, Illinois 60432. Chairman Bob Filotto opened the meeting at 4:00 P.M. with a quorum present. He welcomed those in attendance and directed the body to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Members Bob Filotto, Tim Broderick, Donnie Chestnutt, Jane Condon, Bill Kent, Jeff Pierson

Absent: Kathy Trizna (excused)

Staff: Wade Welsh, Rafael Ramirez, Christine Sturm, Jack Ericksen, Shane Richards

Others: Legal Counsel, Jim Murphy

Public to be Heard Re: Agenda Items – No response

Authority Memo Number **056-2024 WCMEAA Resolution No. 005-2024 Approve Contract Between the Authority and Midwest Environmental Services, Inc.**

Discussion and Vote:

The Chairman said he had one comment on the Midwest Environmental Consulting proposal. On the last page of the proposal, it stated that the agreement is governed by the 16th Judicial Circuit in Kendall County. He said it should be changed to the 12th Judicial Circuit of Will County. Chestnutt agreed.

Welsh explained that Midwest was the company that was being hired to write the cleanup plan and oversee the company that would do the work. Midwest's fees are only for project design and project management. The company that will be doing the cleanup is Valor Technologies, Inc. They are the company that did the asbestos removal from the Will County Courthouse. Valor was highly recommended by officials at the County. Kent advised getting a copy of the insurance certificate so that it can be confirmed that they have plenty of liability insurance. Condon asked if Midwest would also have to give proof of liability insurance. Welsh said they would. Welsh also cautioned that Midwest's proposal was only an estimate, the price could change depending on the actual scope of the work to be completed. Midwest has not been able to get into all areas of the building. They have given their best estimated based on the information they were provided.

Chestnutt asked if Midwest has done any of the work listed in the proposal. Welsh said they drew up the plan that was submitted to the EPA. Midwest has been working in good faith that the Board would approve the contract. Welsh said that he would like to get the contract approved so that he can pay Midwest for the work they have done. He is still waiting on the estimate from Valor.

The Chair invited further discussion and, hearing none, he directed roll to be called. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: T. Broderick moved and J. Pierson seconded a motion to approve the contract between the Authority and Midwest Environmental Services, Inc. subject to the change of the judicial circuit.

AYES: Members Filotto, Broderick, Chestnutt, Condon, Kent, Pierson

ABSENT: Trizna

Nays: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Filotto requested a motion to move into executive session to discuss matters of litigation.

The Chair invited further discussion and, hearing none, he called for a voice vote. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: J. Condon moved and B. Kent seconded a motion to move into executive session.

AYES: Members Filotto, Broderick, Chestnutt, Condon, Kent, Pierson

ABSENT: Trizna

Nays: None

The open session was closed at 4:06 pm

The open session resumed at 4:48 pm

Public to be Heard – none

The Chairman requested a motion to adjourn the special meeting.

Motion: J. Pierson moved and T. Broderick seconded the motion to adjourn.

AYES: Members Filotto, Broderick, Chestnutt, Condon, Kent, Pierson

ABSENT: Trizna

Nays: None

The meeting adjourned at 4:49 P.M.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Christine Sturm, Recording Secretary

Kathy Trizna, Board Secretary

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