



Board of Contract and Supply

Regular Meeting

~ Meeting Minutes ~

Monday, February 8, 2016

2:00 PM

City Council Chambers (3rd Floor)

PRESENT: Councilman Michael J. Correia for Councilman Bryan Principe, Chairman, City Property Committee; Councilman Kevin Jackson for Councilman John J. Igliazzi, Chairman, Committee of Finance; Lawrence Mancini, Finance Director; Michael O’Toole for Commissioner Steven Pare, Department of Public Safety; James J. Lombardi, III, City Treasurer and Alan Sepe, Director of Operations– 6.

ABSENT: Mayor Jorge O. Elorza; Council President Luis A. Aponte; Xaykham “Xay” Khamsyvoravong, Chairman of the Water Supply Board; Russell Knight, Director, Department of Public Works; Michael D’Antuono, City Controller and Nicholas Hemond, School Board President – 6.

Also present are Brian Hull, Director, Division of Community Development, Department of Planning and Development; Lori L. Hagen, City Clerk and Donna M. Peligian, Assistant Clerk.

(Subsequently, Mr. Simon joins the meeting.)

Motion to Elect Alan Sepe as Chairman

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mr. Mancini
SECONDER:	Mr. Lombardi
AYES:	Mr. Simon for Mayor Elorza, Councilman Correia, Councilman Jackson, Mr. Mancini, Mr. O’Toole for Commissioner Pare, Mr. Lombardi and Mr. Sepe - 7.
ABSENT:	Council President Aponte, Mr. Khamsyvoravong, Mr. Knight, Mr. D’Antuono and Mr. Hemond - 5.

Motion to go to Section B - Opening of Bids

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mr. O’Toole for Commissioner Pare
SECONDER:	Councilman Jackson
AYES:	Mr. Simon for Mayor Elorza, Councilman Correia, Councilman Jackson, Mr. Mancini, Mr. O’Toole for Commissioner Pare, Mr. Lombardi and Mr. Sepe - 7.
ABSENT:	Council President Aponte, Mr. Khamsyvoravong, Mr. Knight, Mr. D’Antuono and Mr. Hemond - 5.

B. OPENING OF BIDS

1. Department of Inspection and Standards:

DEMOLITION OF 47 MAPLE STREET, A THREE STORY WOOD STRUCTURE DAMAGED BY FIRE.

A.A. Wrecking Co., Inc.
R-1307 Hartford Avenue
Johnston, RI 02919 \$12,200.00

R&P Construction
54 Star Street
Johnston, RI 02919 \$21,950.00

Mancini Demolition, Inc.
1020 Chopmist Hill Road
Scituate, RI 02857 \$27,000.00

ABM Enterprise, LLC
38 East Street
West Warwick, RI 02893 \$12,500.00
Bid Bond - The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company - 5% of Bid.

2. Department of Inspection and Standards:

DEMOLITION OF 167 OXFORD STREET, A TWO STORY WOOD STRUCTURE.

A.A. Wrecking Co., Inc.
R-1307 Hartford Avenue
Johnston, RI 02919 \$12,200.00

R&P Construction
54 Star Street
Johnston, RI 02919 \$13,695.00

Mancini Demolition, Inc.
1020 Chopmist Hill Road
Scituate, RI 02857 \$14,900.00

ABM Enterprise, LLC
38 East Street
West Warwick, RI 02893 \$9,500.00
Bid Bond - The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company - 5% of Bid.

3. Department of Planning and Development:

INSTALLATION NEW ROOF AT 35 SWISS STREET, PROVIDENCE.

No Bids - Re-Advertise.

4. **Department of Public Property:**

REPAIR DAMAGED GYM FLOOR AT ROLLINS RECREATION CENTER.

O'Sullivan Flooring Co., Inc.
139A Sagamore Street
North Quincy, MA 02171 \$19,950.00

5. **Department of Public Property:**

GYM FLOORING-SANDING AND REFINISHING JOSLIN RECREATION CENTER.

O'Sullivan Flooring Co., Inc.
139A Sagamore Street
North Quincy, MA 02171 \$9,200.00

6. **Water Supply Board:**

PROVIDE PARTS & SERVICES TO CHLORINE FEED EQUIPMENT AT PJ HOLTON PURIFICATION PLANT.

AMH Enterprises, Inc. dba BAU/Hopkins
310 South Street
Plainville, MA 02762 Unit Price

Environmental Instrument Services Inc.
98 Washington Street
Groveland, MA 01834
Estimated 40 hours of labor at \$100x40 = \$4,000.00
plus the parts as outlined below

7. **Water Supply Board:**

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AT-RISK SERVICES FOR THE PROVIDENCE WATER CENTRAL OPERATIONS FACILITY.

E. Turgeon Construction Corporation
One Harry Street
Cranston, RI 02907 Unit Price

E.W. Burman, Inc.
33 Vermont Avenue
Warwick, RI 02888 Unit Price

Bond Brothers, Inc. (BOND)
145 Spring Street
Everett, MA 02149 Unit Price

Gilbane Building Company
7 Jackson Walkway
Providence, RI 02903
Unit Price

A. Autiello Construction
125 Carlsbad Street
Cranston, RI 02920
Unit Price

Dimeo Construction Co.
75 Chapman Street
Providence, RI 02905
Unit Price

8. School Department:

**RFP FOR SECURITY CAMERAS FOR WEST BROADWAY &
GILBERT STUART MIDDLE SCHOOLS/PLANT MAINTENANCE &
OPERATIONS/LOCAL.**

AFA Protective Systems, Inc.
240 Chestnut Street
Warwick, RI 02888
\$42,000.00

American Tele-Connect Services Inc.
64 Pettaconsett Avenue
Cranston, RI 02920
\$61,825.00

Sonitrol Security Systems of Hartford, Inc. dba
Sonitrol of New England
26 Hemingway Drive
Riverside, RI 02915-2224
\$46,211.00

Shanix Technology
40 Worthington Road
Cranston, RI 02920
\$75,841.22

ATG Group, Inc.
95 Hathaway Street, Suite 28
Providence, RI 02907
\$75,845.00

9. School Department:

**PRINTING OF GRADUATION PROGRAMS-1 YEAR WITH TWO 1
YEAR OPTIONS/LOCAL.**

RPI Printing
135 Waldron Road
Fall River, MA 02720
Unit Price

Sir Speedy
969 Park Avenue
Cranston, RI 02910
Unit Price

Regine Printing
208 Laurel Hill Avenue
Providence, RI 02909
Unit Price

K.B. Offset Printing Inc.
3500 E. College Avenue
State College, PA 16801
Unit Price

Staple Advantage Inc.
1901 Summit Tower Blvd.
Orlando, FL 32810
Unit Price

Graphic Image Inc.
561 Old Boston Post Road
Milford, CT 06460
Unit Price

10. School Department:

RFP FOR TITLE II CONSULTANT SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE
PRIVATE SCHOOL PERSONNEL AT SAINT PATRICK
ACADEMY/FEDERAL PROGRAMS-TITLE II.

Maurice E. Guernon
4 Hillview Drive
North Scituate, RI 02857
\$8,750.00

11. School Department:

RFP FOR CONTRACT SERVICES FOR PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATOR TRAINING ON STUDENT
ENGAGEMENT, DE-ESCALATION AND REDIRECTION
STRATEGIES TO SUPPORT LEARNING AND STUDENT CULTURE
AT DEL SESTO, ROGER WILLIAMS AND GILBERT STUART
MIDDLE SCHOOLS/FEDERAL PROGRAMS-TITLE 1 AND SCHOOL
IMPROVEMENT GRANTS.

No Bids

12. Department of Public Works:

INTERESTED SUPPLIERS OF SNOW/ICE CONTROL SERVICES.

No Bids

RESULT: REFERRED BIDS TO CITY CLERK [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mr. O'Toole for Commissioner Pare
SECONDER: Councilman Jackson
AYES: Mr. Simon for Mayor Elorza, Councilman Correia, Councilman Jackson, Mr. Mancini, Mr. O'Toole for Commissioner Pare, Mr. Lombardi and Mr. Sepe - 7.
ABSENT: Council President Aponte, Mr. Khamyvoravong, Mr. Knight, Mr. D'Antuono and Mr. Hemond - 5.

Motion to go to Section C - Advertisements

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mr. Lombardi
SECONDER: Mr. Mancini
AYES: Mr. Simon for Mayor Elorza, Councilman Correia, Councilman Jackson, Mr. Mancini, Mr. O'Toole for Commissioner Pare, Mr. Lombardi and Mr. Sepe - 7.
ABSENT: Council President Aponte, Mr. Khamyvoravong, Mr. Knight, Mr. D'Antuono and Mr. Hemond - 5.

C. ADVERTISEMENTS

TO BE OPENED ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2016:

HEALTHY COMMUNITIES OFFICE

CITIES CONNECTING CHILDREN TO NATURE ASSESSMENT CONSULTANT.

NATURE ASSESSMENT CONSULTANT.

WATER SUPPLY BOARD

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR SYSTEM FURNITURE FOR PROVIDENCE WATER'S CENTRAL OPERATIONS FACILITY.

TO BE OPENED ON MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2016

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

BUILDING LEASE OF THE SNACK BAR LOCATED AT THE ALEX AND ANI CITY CENTER.

ROGER WILLIAMS PARK STORMWATER RETROFIT SITE12.

WATER SERVICE INSTALLATIONS FOR VARIOUS CITY PARKS.

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

PLEASANT VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PLAY AREAS
PROJECT.

VEAZIE STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PLAY AREAS PROJECT.

TO BE OPENED ON MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2016

WATER SUPPLY BOARD

PROVIDENCE WATER'S ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
(MANDATORY PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING. MUST CALL TO
SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT BETWEEN FEBRUARY 16 -
MARCH 30, 2016).

RESULT:	APPROVED FOR ADVERTISING [UNANIMOUS] and also to advertise for Providence Water's Asset Management System and Re-Advertise items 3 and 11 in Opening of Bids.
MOVER:	Mr. O'Toole for Commissioner Pare
SECONDER:	Councilman Correia
AYES:	Mr. Simon for Mayor Elorza, Councilman Correia, Councilman Jackson, Mr. Mancini, Mr. O'Toole for Commissioner Pare, Mr. Lombardi and Mr. Sepe - 7.
ABSENT:	Council President Aponte, Mr. Khamyvoravong, Mr. Knight, Mr. D'Antuono and Mr. Hemond - 5.

Motion to go to Section A for Review

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mr. O'Toole for Commissioner Pare
SECONDER:	Mr. Mancini
AYES:	Mr. Simon for Mayor Elorza, Councilman Correia, Councilman Jackson, Mr. Mancini, Mr. O'Toole for Commissioner Pare, Mr. Lombardi and Mr. Sepe - 7.
ABSENT:	Council President Aponte, Mr. Khamyvoravong, Mr. Knight, Mr. D'Antuono and Mr. Hemond - 5.

A. COMMUNICATION FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PROPERTY, DIVISION OF PURCHASING, RECOMMENDING THE FOLLOWING WITH APPROVAL OF DIRECTORS AND/OR REPRESENTATIVES OF RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS.

1. From Alan Sepe, Director of Operations, Department of Public Property:

Dated January 29, 2016, recommending Northeast Sanitation, Inc., low bidder, for Portable Restroom Rental (Blanket Contract 2015-2017), for a total amount not to exceed \$50,000.00. (Minority Participation is 0%) (VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS)

2. From Steven Pare, Commissioner, Providence Fire Department:

Dated January 22, 2016, recommending Greenwood Emergency, second low bidder, for Aerial Ladder Testing, while not the apparent low bidder, the low bidder requires that the department supply a driver/operator to work with their inspector, this presents an additional expense of \$400.00 per day for that operator, additionally, if a deficiency is uncovered it is then repaired by personnel at the repair facility, then requires a re-inspection of that unit, Greenwood does not charge for that, in a total amount not to exceed \$7,605.00. (Minority Participation is 0%) (101-302-54700)

3. Dated January 27, 2016, recommending Rhode Island Uniform and Supply, Inc., fourth lowest bidder, while not the apparent lowest bidder, they are the only company that can provide 5.11 product shirts and pants, for Station Uniforms-Fire Department, in a total amount not to exceed \$60,000.00. (Minority Participation is 0%) (101-303-54810)

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: Mr. Chairman, can I ask some other questions?

CHAIRMAN SEPE: Yes.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: In regard to agenda item number 3. We're going to the fourth lowest bidder. I guess my question would be I read how it says they're the only company that can provide 5.11 product shirts. Do we have to have to have 5.11 product shirts? Is that something that we must have, I'm asking?

CHAIRMAN SEPE: I'm sorry, what's the question?

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: Yes, I'll repeat it. On number 3, we're going to the fourth lowest bidder apparently because they can

provide 5.11 product shirts. My question is, is there a requirement that would provide 5.11 product shirts?

CHAIRMAN SEPE: Michael, do you know the answer?

MR. O'TOOLE: At this time, I do not. I can certainly research that. My suspicion is it must be an FPA, most likely. But, I can get a definitive answer on this.

CHAIRMAN SEPE: We can continue it then.

4. **From Leah Bamberger, Director of Sustainability, Office of Sustainability:**

Dated February 8, 2016, recommending SolarCity Corporation, low bidder, for Consultant to Commission Solar Energy on City Property, the department is agreeing to explore financing options to commission solar energy, any further work is dependent on both parties agreeing to the terms of a power purchase agreement, there is no money to be paid based on this selection. (Minority Participation is 0%)

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. In regard to number 4, I just want to understand the language. I know this is costing us nothing at this point, but when they're saying that in the end where they're saying both parties agree to the terms, which I would assume, is that our Office of Sustainability and SolarCity Corporation, would they not have to come back to bid if they decided to purchase something from them?

CHAIRMAN SEPE: We would have to come back to the Board of Contract. Once there's an agreement made where there is a project on the table, and it's a cost mutual project, it will come back to the Board with that project as soon as the contractor is ready. What we're doing is we're picking the company to help us with this project.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: Okay. Thank you.

5. **From Ricky Caruolo, General Manager, Water Supply Board:**

Dated January 28, 2016, recommending Dejana Truck Equipment, sole bidder, for Retrofit Existing Providence Water Utility Vehicle, in a total amount not to exceed \$14,735.00. (Minority Participation is 0%) (875-875-52870)

6. Dated January 28, 2016, recommending the following bidders, for Invasive Plant Control Services (Blanket 2015-2019) and Various Departments, in a total amount not to exceed \$120,000.00 over 4 years. (Minority Participation is 0%) (843-843-53401)

Stanley Tree Service
Vegetation Control
Aquatic Control Tech

North-Eastern Tree Service
Out In Front Hort.
New England Environmental

COMMUNICATIONS

7. **From Lori Hagen, City Clerk, Department of City Clerk:**

City Clerk Hagen, under date of February 4, 2016, requesting approval for the Division of Archives to purchase a ScanPro 2000 machine, from Konica Minolta (sole vendor for New England for this product,) to preserve and view microfilm, this machine has the ability to view various sizes and types of microfilm, can digitize microfilm by section or by reel, files can be scanned into PDFs and are searchable, it has magnification capabilities to read small print and images can be printed with watermark and copyright warnings, the ScanPro2000 Digital microfilm scanner is \$6,523.00 and the 7x to 54x zoom lens is \$1,015.00, in a total amount not to exceed \$7,538.00. (883-883)

8. **From Stephanie Fortunato, Interim Director, Department of Art, Culture & Tourism:**

Interim Director Fortunato, under date of January 28, 2016, requesting approval to pay Edward Brady, for the First Annual One Providence New Year's Eve Ball at the Rhode Island Convention Center on December 31, 2015, who served as co-host and covered all event expenses related to the event in lieu of the Department receiving the award check, in a total amount not to exceed \$20,000.00. (246-00005-16)

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: In regard to number 8, can someone explain to me the \$20,000.00 expense?

CHAIRMAN SEPE: This person helped coordinate the New Year's Eve Ball for the Department of Arts and Tourism and this is the

reimbursed cost for that event.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: I'm assuming, it says here, he covered all the event expenses himself out of pocket?

CHAIRMAN SEPE: He did all the leg work on the event for the products for the event, so we're just reimbursing him.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: So, he did all the promotional work?

CHAIRMAN SEPE: Yes, correct.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: I guess my question would be was this sent out to bid prior, because it's over the \$5,000.00 limit?

CHAIRMAN SEPE: I believe so.

9. From Wendy Nilsson, Superintendent, Department of Parks:

Superintendent of Parks Nilsson, under date of February 1, 2016, requesting approval to move an unused portion of the Bradford Associates award of March 9, 2015, to Gardner and Gerrish, whose design concepts are more in line with the Parks Department's vision for playground and parks, for Landscape Architectural Services, in a total amount not to exceed \$40,265.00. (658-658-53401)

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: In regard to number 9, where we're transferring \$40,265.00 from, I'm assuming, one architectural design group to another. Did Gardner and Gerrish bid originally?

CHAIRMAN SEPE: These were original bidders for the Parks Department. We're just changing the dollar amount that the Board of Contract & Supply –

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: So they did, because I know they usually award more than one.

CHAIRMAN SEPE: Exactly. Correct. The Board had awarded certain dollar amounts for each one. They're just switching it around.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: I'm fine with that one.

10. Superintendent of Parks Nilsson, under date of February 1, 2016, requesting approval to purchase a Handicap Accessible 16 Person Passenger Van, to be used by the Recreation Department, the van supplied by RIPTA costs \$88,145.63, the department has received a grant toward 80% of the purchase price, for a total amount not to exceed \$17,629.13. (MASTER LEASE)

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: I think my last question is in regard to number 10. Is this in the previous Master Lease or Master Lease that we're hoping will be approved moving forward?

CHAIRMAN SEPE: This is a current Master Lease where we had savings from vehicles that these departments originally bid out and there were savings from them, so we're using this to buy the senior van.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: So, did we revise that Master List with the City Council, that Master Lease, excuse me?

CHAIRMAN SEPE: We're not going back to revising the lease. No, these are just savings from –

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: Shouldn't we do that, though, before?

CHAIRMAN SEPE: I can speak to the Finance Department about that.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: Okay and I guess my question would be, again, it's a complaint as you know with City Council, how come the Parks Department is bidding out for the Recreation Department?

CHAIRMAN SEPE: This wasn't bid out. This was a grant from RIPTA.

MR. SIMON: I can speak to this more directly, too. So, there was a pot of Federal dollars that was available to pay for this. The Federal dollars covered 80% of the total cost of the bus, which is, have you talked to Recreation Department, the senior services, this is something that the City is in need of and rather than having to pay for it down the line and

pay for the cost whoever took advantage of the Federal grant, which paid for 80% of it. We'll never have an opportunity like that to get the bus in this caliber within the cities that – so these ranks without getting it out at this point. We have to take advantage of the grant.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: No, I understand that and I see that in regards to we're only paying \$17,629.13. My questions still go back to we have to amend the Master Lease and the second part of that would be if it's going to be used by Recreation why is it not Recreation is coming through Parks.

CHAIRMAN SEPE: It's just a technicality. It's coming through the Parks because it's also going to be used by the Senior Services division also. That's all. It was just a vehicle to use just to get the vehicle –

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: I understand all that, but, again, should the Master Lease be amended to reflect that?

CHAIRMAN SEPE: We can go back to the City Council for that, sure.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: Thank you. Those are my questions.

CHAIRMAN SEPE: Councilman Jackson, you're okay with number 9? Am I correct?

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: I'm okay with number 9, yes. Number 9 I'm fine with because they awarded the original bid, they are just transferring the money from one architectural group to another.

CHAIRMAN SEPE: Thank you.

11. Superintendent of Parks Nilsson, under date of February 1, 2016, requesting approval to pay Aero Mechanical, for emergency repair work, the furnace in the Botanical Center was not working due to corroded heating tubes and a controller that needed to be replaced, the heat exchanger was also found to have holes in it causing carbon monoxide to leak through the heating ducts, in a total amount not to exceed \$10,195.51. (685-685-52940)

12. **From Russell Knight, Director, Department of Public Works:**

Director of Public Works Knight, under date of January 15, 2016, requesting approval of Change Order No. 2, with Xerox Environmental Ticketing Devices, in the amount of \$42,000.00, to provide 5 new hand-held Motorola 9500 ticketing devices to the Environmental Inspectors, integration with the City's property ownership data base (Govern), mail house automation of the tickets through eTIMS, and help streamline the department's violation process for issuing tickets, for a revised total amount not to exceed \$282,000.00. (621-621-53500)

13. **From Colonel Hugh T. Clements Jr., Chief of Police, Providence Police Department:**

Chief of Police Clements, under date of January 25, 2016, requesting approval to piggyback the State of Rhode Island Contract Price Agreement 2013-ET-007, for Technical Consultant Services, with Ledge Light Technologies, to build a computerized system that can generate electronic traffic citations for the Providence Police Department (PPD), the cost will include the system design, build, testing, and training of end users, in a total amount not to exceed \$101,141.76. (1-250-302-52850, 250-8000-16)

14. Chief of Police Clements, under date of January 25, 2016, requesting approval to pay Leadership Rhode Island, to cover the tuition cost for the Class of 2016, the MU II Class, in which Lt. Patrick Reddy of the Police Department was selected and attended, in a total amount not to exceed \$5,300.00. (840-840-52250/840-1000-16)

15. **From Ricky Caruolo, General Manager, Water Supply Board:**

General Manager of Water Supply Board Caruolo, under date of January 29, 2016, requesting approval of a contract, with Marcum Accountants & Advisors, for Audit Services, for annual fiscal year audits, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) issued an order in the last general rate filing that requires Providence Water to have an independent consultant to verify the accuracy of plant accounts, Marcum will be able to perform the work in the timeliest fashion and at a minimal cost for such professional services by a CPA firm, in a total amount not to exceed \$30,000.00. (601-130-53227)

16. **From Judith Petrarca, Purchasing Administrator, School Department:**

- Purchasing Administrator Petrarca, under date of January 28, 2016, requesting approval of Budgetary Change Order #1, with Simplex Grinnell, LP, in the amount of \$2,500.00, for Sprinkler Systems, Fire Extinguishers, Fire Alarms, Kitchen Suppression Systems and Emergency Repairs/Plant Maintenance/Local, to cover emergencies not covered under the contract, for a revised total not to exceed \$190,000.00 for the option year contract, and \$17,500.00 to cover emergencies not covered under the contract, for an adjusted total amount not to exceed \$207,500.00 for the 2015/2016 school year. (Minority Participation is 0%) (LOCAL)
17. Purchasing Administrator Petrarca, under date of January 20, 2016, requesting approval to amend the award of December 14, 2015, with Budgetary Change Order #4, for the School Department/Plant Operations and Maintenance, with Sonitrol Security Systems of Rhode Island, in the amount of \$6,384.66, to add cameras for safety and security purposes at Delsesto and Roger Williams Middle Schools, to replace a camera at Leviton Complex and for additional emergencies not covered under the current contract for 2015/2016, for a revised total amount not to exceed \$28,887.66. (Minority Participation is 0%) (LOCAL)
18. Purchasing Administrator Petrarca, under date of January 22, 2016, requesting approval to pay the Achievement Network, for 8 people to attend the Winter Standards Institute being held at the Westin Boston Waterfront in Boston, MA from February 17, 2016 to February 20, 2016, the Institute will provide an intensive and transformative learning experience designed to improve, develop and sustain instructional excellence, the fee includes registration, lunch/snack daily and materials, in a total amount not to exceed \$12,800.00. (Minority Participation is 0%) (TITLE II)
19. Purchasing Administrator Petrarca, under date of January 26, 2016, requesting approval to extend the award of June 29, 2015, for the School Department, Public Property and Various City Departments, with WB Mason Co., Inc., for General Office Supplies, School Supplies, Standard Paper and Toner as needed in unit pricing awarded by the State of Rhode Island, MPA-105, through March 31, 2016, while the State issues and awards a new bid. (Minority Participation is 0%) (VARIOUS CODES-SCHOOL DEPARTMENT AND VARIOUS CITY CODES)

20. **From Ricky Caruolo, General Manager, Water Supply Board:**

General Manager of Water Supply Board Caruolo, under date of February 2, 2016, requesting approval to Reject All Bids Received for Request for Proposals for System Furniture for Providence Water's Central Operations Facility, it is in the best interest of the City of Providence and Providence Water, the department will rebid this service.

CONTINUED MATTERS

21. **From Brian Hull, Director, Division of Community Development, Department of Planning and Development:**

Dated January 6, 2016, recommending M. Weisman Roofing, Inc., low bidder, for RFP for Installation of a New Roof at Center for Southeast Asians, in a total amount not to exceed \$97,750.00. (Minority Participation is 0%) (FEDERAL FUNDS WILL BE REIMBURSED BY HUD)

22. Dated January 6, 2016, recommending Arden Engineering Constructors, LLC, low bidder, for RFP for Installation of a New HVAC System at the Center for Southeast Asians, in a total amount not to exceed \$46,647.00. (Minority Participation is %) (FEDERAL FUNDS WILL BE REIMBURSED BY HUD)

CHAIRMAN SEPE: Any questions? At the last meeting, there was a question on Items number 21 and 22. Brian is here to answer those questions. I believe the questions were "Does the City own the building", and what was the other question?

MR. HULL: I think "Why we are bidding that out?" So, first it is the organization bidding that out.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: Correct. I got a letter. Brian did send a letter, I believe, too.

MR. HULL: Yes, I received that letter. I responded with a letter in kind.

CHAIRMAN SEPE: Okay.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: So, my question, Brian, is, I guess is this something new that the City is doing in this particular case for non-

profit?

MR. HULL: Correct. Yes.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: Okay and is – when we're talking about they don't have the capacity as the letter said, to be able to do this. Can you elaborate on that for me?

MR. HULL: Yes. So, this is, these are two different allocations. One of them is from the 2014 budget. This is like well over a year and half old. We've been trying to work with the organization to actually get contractors through the facility to do estimates and put together a bid in order to put that out and advertise for it in the paper. They have – we've been working with them probably close to a year to try to get that done without success. So, then we just had a conversation with them to suggest that we put both of these together and we'd bid them out just to assist with that and to get the money spent. We are really trying to close a lot of the URRP projects that we have in the division. We're trying to get the money spent by May 1st to meet our time limits – the requirement for the Federal Government. This was a way for us to assist the organization. All of the bids for both of the bids for these two projects came within the CDBG allocation for each of them. They were going to be exclusively funded with those CDBG allocations. There is absolutely no budgetary impact to the City at all.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: I understand that, Brian. If I can continue, Mr. Chairman. Is this non-profit going to be sustainable after we invest this money if this is not our building? We don't own this building. Is this non-profit going to be sustainable on its own if you're having so much trouble getting them to put a bid out after a year?

MR. HULL: Yes. I think it has less to do with the organizational

capacity in and of itself and more to do with the clarity about the bidding rules, the bidding process and the construction management process. So that's all we wanted to assist them with.

CHAIRMAN SEPE: I think the question is what happens if the building is sold a year from now? Are we on the hook for the money?

MR. HULL: That would be the case either way. So, if they bid it out themselves or if we bid it out, there is a five year continuity requirement for any CDBG allocation whether or not we do it or they do it.

MR. LOMBARDI: What happens if they don't follow through on that? So, what happens if they sell the building next week to a for-profit corporation? Is there an audit, is there a lien on the property or does that money just go south?

MR. HULL: There is no lien on the property. It's just like any allocation to any organization. If they sell the property, we don't put a lien on the property at all. Maybe we should, but that's something that we've never even considered.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: Again, I guess knowing the problems that this organization has had, knowing there is a potential loss or reimbursement to the state for funds that were mismanaged. I just have great concerns that we're investing money in an organization that potentially may close its doors because of that potential liability they have to the State.

MR. HULL: Understood. That's not a concern that I have.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: So, you would then think it would be fair to say that you think they could come up with half a million dollars today if the State said we want half a million?

MR. HULL: No, I don't think that they have a half million dollars in their pocket that they could give to the State.

COUNCILMAN JACKSON: That's what the potential exposure is. Okay, thank you Brian. You were very thorough with everything, but I just have concerns with that. That's just a huge concern that we are investing this type of money with something that might close its doors simply because of how there was a mismanagement of the State grant.

MR. HULL: Yes, and my conversations with the director give me no concern about them closing their doors any time soon.

MR. SIMON: Brian, is there any avenues at all for us to put any kind of lien on the property with CDBG budget dollars? Is that not an option?

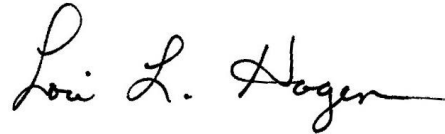
MR. HULL: We can put a City lien on the property if we want.

CHAIRMAN SEPE: Okay, thank you.

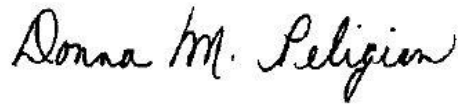
RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] A-1 through A-22 with Item 3 continued for two weeks.
MOVER:	Mr. Mancini
SECONDER:	Councilman Correia
AYES:	Mr. Simon for Mayor Elorza, Councilman Correia, Councilman Jackson, Mr. Mancini, Mr. O'Toole for Commissioner Pare, Mr. Lombardi and Mr. Sepe - 7.
ABSENT:	Council President Aponte, Mr. Khamyvoravong, Mr. Knight, Mr. D'Antuono and Mr. Hemond - 5. Councilman Correia, Councilman Jackson and Mr. Lombardi request to be recorded at voting "No" on Items 8, 10, 21 and 22.

Motion to Adjourn at 2:49 o'clock P.M.

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mr. O'Toole for Commissioner Pare
SECONDER: Mr. Lombardi
AYES: Mr. Simon for Mayor Elorza, Councilman Correia, Councilman Jackson, Mr. Mancini, Mr. O'Toole for Commissioner Pare, Mr. Lombardi and Mr. Sepe - 7.
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