



JEDCO Board of Commissioners
February 24, 2022 @ 8:30 A.M.
JEDCO Conference Center
701-A Churchill Parkway, Avondale, LA 70094
MINUTES

Call to Order: 8:30 a.m.

Attendance: Vice Chairman Tom Gennaro, Mickal Adler, Jimmy Baum, Kenny Bertucci, Barry Breaux, Lloyd Clark, Anthony DiGerolamo, Michael Fahrenholt, Lesha Freeland, Brian Heiden, Jim Hudson, Jim Martin, Mayra Pineda, Gene Sausse, Floyd Simeon

Staff: Jerry Bologna, Lacey Bordelon, Cynthia Grows, Annalisa Kelly, Jennifer Lapeyrouse, Scott Rojas, Kelsey Scram, Penny Weeks, Kate Wendel

Absences: Joe Ewell, Josline Frank, Larry Katz, Michael Kraft, Teresa Lawrence, Stephen Robinson

Attorney: Reed Smith – Jefferson Parish Attorney’s Office

Guests: None

I. Call to Order – Chairman Tom Gennaro

- **Approval of Board absences for today, February 24, 2022** – Mayra Pineda motioned, seconded by Floyd Siemon to excuse the above-named absences. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Approval of minutes for January 27, 2022** – Mayra Pineda motioned, seconded by Floyd Siemon to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

II. Public Comments on Agenda Items

There were no public comments.

III. Unfinished and New Business

- **Request to increase the not-to-exceed amount on professional fees from \$125,500 to \$144,890 for the consulting services contract between JEDCO and Perkins+Will (LA), An Architectural Corporation, related to Phase 2 Implementation of the Churchill Technology & Business Park Master Plan – Lacey Bordelon**

Motion by Jim Hudson, seconded by Mayra Pineda to approve the request to increase the not-to-exceed from \$125,500 to \$144,890. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Resolution authorizing execution of contract with Leaaf Environmental for environmental services under EPA Cooperative Agreement BF-01F95601-0 – Annalisa Kelly**

To conduct the environmental work required under the \$600,000 EPA Brownfield Assessment Coalition grant, JEDCO issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for qualified environmental professional firms to perform environmental assessments, prepare cleanup plans, and other services. Leaaf Environmental, LLC was one of the two highest-scoring, and therefore selected along with Terracon Consultants, Inc. The total amount awarded to Leaaf Environmental, LLC, for activities to be performed under this contract is anticipated to be approximately \$172,700 but in no event in excess of \$345,000. Ms. Kelley provided more information regarding the scope of work detailed in the contract. Following discussion, Lloyd Clark motioned, seconded by Gene Sausse to approve the resolution authorizing execution of the contract. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Resolution authorizing execution of contract with Terracon Consultants, Inc. for environmental services under EPA Cooperative Agreement BF-01F95601-0 – Annalisa Kelly**

Gene Sausse motioned, seconded by Lesha Freeland to defer this item to the March 31, 2022 Executive Committee meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

- **Approval of Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for year ending 2021 – Cynthia Grows**

Jim Hudson motioned, seconded by Floyd Siemon to approve the 2021 Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. **Monthly Financial Report**

- **December 2021 Report (deferred from the January 27, 2022 meeting) and January 2022 Report**

Brian Heiden motioned, seconded by Lesha Freeland to approve both reports as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

V. **President and CEO Report Jerry Bologna**

- The economic development services program will now be called JEDCO HEART, an acronym that stands for “Hub for Expansion, Attraction, Retention, and Talent.” The new program brand was announced at a small launch event for key partners at the JEDCO Conference Center.
- Pamela Manuel continues to assist Cynthia Grows with accounts payable and the 2021 Audit.
- JEDCO’s Business Retention department is seeking applications for a Business Retention Specialist.

VI. Other Updates or Comments from the JEDCO Board of Commissioners

There were no comments or updates.

VII. Adjournment – Floyd Siemon motioned, seconded by Brian Heiden to adjourn.



Josline Gosserand Frank

JEDCO Secretary

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