

BE IT REMEMBERED that a special called meeting of the Hattiesburg City Council was held at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, February 8, 2017, in Council Chambers at City Hall.

Those present included members of the City Council Kim Bradley, Ward 1; Deborah Delgado, Ward 2 (teleconference); Carter Carroll, Ward 3; and Mary Dryden, Ward 4. Others in attendance included Director of Administration/City Clerk, Kermas Eaton; Chief Financial Officer, Sharon Waits; City Engineer, Lamar Rutland; Director of Public Works, Larry Barnes; Director of the Water Department, Chadwick Frierson; Clerk of Council, Debbie Bernardo; Deputy Clerk of Council, Lisa Luu; media; and the public.

The MEETING was called to order by Council President Carroll.

1. **2017-191** Take from the Table and Acknowledge receipt of proposals received on January 28, 2017 for Debris Removal Assistance for the City of Hattiesburg and accept the proposal of _____ as per recommendation.

Attachments: Debris Removal Bid Tab Tally Sheet
Debris Removal RFP Review, Score Sheet
MEMO - Debris Removal Contractor Recommendation
Debris Removal Contract
Crowder Gulf, LLC Performance Bond
Graham County Proposal
L&A Contracting Proposal
Michael's Tree & Loading Proposal
Young's General Contracting Proposal
Ceres Environmental Proposal
Crowder Gulf Proposal
D&J Enterprises Proposal
DRC Emergency Proposal
E&M Salvage Proposal
Endeavor Construction Proposal
J. Caldarera & Co. Proposal
Looks Great Services Proposal
New Generation Homes Proposal
Omni Pinnacle Proposal
TAG Grinding Services Proposal
TFR Enterprises Proposal
Titus Mills Construction Proposal

Council President Carroll called on Janet Beech, manager of the purchasing division, and asked that she explain the evaluation process.

Ms. Beech stated that the committee met five and a half hours reviewing proposals and narrowed down to the top four. She said the committee worked this morning on the top four companies; Ms. Beech said all four companies are great, but that the committee is recommending one company, Crowder Gulf, LLC, which stood out and 19 points higher than the others. She said Crowder Gulf is a very solid company financially and very experienced, and stated that was happy with the company's prices.

Council President Carroll asked Mr. Barnes to share his thoughts regarding Crowder Gulf. Mr. Barnes said that, based on the information in the Crowder Gulf proposal, the company can within four hours of receiving the notice to proceed. He said are doing a great job but need help quickly in removing the debris so that will not get behind in day-to-day operations.

Council President Carroll asked Mr. Barnes if he has been in communication with Crowder Gulf; Mr. Barnes responded in the negative. Council President Carroll asked where Crowder Gulf is based; Mr. Barnes said the company is from Theodore, Alabama.

Council Vice President Dryden said that she read online that Crowder Gulf is an equal opportunity employer and is free of discrimination, and that the company promotes the value of diversity in the work force and fair treatment for all.

Council member Bradley said that Crowder Gulf's price is basically \$13.50 a cubic yard; he said the price quoted to the City of Petal was \$5.58 a cubic yard and asked why there is such a big difference. Mr. Barnes stated his belief that refers only to hauling debris; he said the price quoted to the City of Hattiesburg also includes tipping fees. Council member Bradley thanked Mr. Barnes for the explanation.

A MOTION was made by Council member Bradley and seconded by Council Vice President Dryden to Take from the Table and Acknowledge receipt of proposals received on January 28, 2017, and accept the proposal of Crowder Gulf, LLC, as per the recommendation of the bid committee.

There being no discussion, the Motion received the affirmative vote of the Council as follows:

Yeas: 4 - Bradley, Delgado, Carroll and Dryden

Nays: 0 - None

Absent: 1 - Naylor

2. 2017-232 Approve and Authorize Mayor to execute agreement with Broaddus Associates for consulting services related to the January 21, 2017, Tornado.

Attachments: Broaddus Associates - Master Services Agreement

A MOTION was made by Council member Bradley and seconded by Council Vice President Dryden to approve and authorize Mayor to execute agreement with Broaddus Associates for consulting services related to the January 21, 2017, tornado.

Council President Carroll stated that this is a 90-day agreement that can be executed because of the tornado; he said that after, must send out RFPs for the work to be reimbursable.

Following discussion, the Motion received the affirmative vote of the Council as follows:

Yeas: 4 - Bradley, Delgado, Carroll and Dryden

Nays: 0 - None

Absent: 1 - Naylor

3. 2017-177 Discuss and take action, if necessary, on any other tornado-related matters of business.

Following the vote, Don Lucas of Looks Great Services of Columbia, MS, addressed the Council; he said his company submitted a bid, that it has 27 employees in this area and its price is cheaper than that of Crowder Gulf. He said that the company is local and works the Pearl River Valley; he asked if any consideration was given to because it is local and has people in this area right now. Council President Carroll asked Ms. Beech to talk with Mr. Lucas after the meeting.

There was no further discussion or action on other tornado-related matters of business.

By unanimous consent, Council President Carroll declared the meeting recessed at 11:40 a.m., this the 8th day of February, A.D., 2017.

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