

**Programs, Projects, and Operations
Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
April 12, 2022**

A meeting of the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District’s Programs, Projects, and Operations Subcommittee was held at the Natural Resources Center, 8901 South 154th Street, Omaha, NE, on April 12, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Conley at 4:00 p.m.

QUORUM CALL: Quorum call was taken. The following subcommittee members were in attendance.

Subcommittee Members Present	Subcommittee Members Absent	Other Directors Present	Others Present
Fred Conley, Chairperson		Larry Bradley	John Winkler
Tim Fowler, Vice-Chair		Patrick Bonnett	Amanda Grint
Ted Japp		Phil Davidson	Adam Charlsen, Legal Counsel
Kevyn Sopinski		Tim McCormick	Tracy Thompson
Rich Tesar		Jim Thompson	Eric Williams
			Sara Mechtenberg, FYRA
			Other Staff Members

- * Absent
- ** Alternate Voting Member

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

- **It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Fowler that the agenda be adopted.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea.

Voting Yea: Fowler, Japp, Sopinski, Tesar, Conley
 Voting Nay: None
 Abstaining: None
 Absent: None

PROOF OF PUBLICATION: Public notice of the meeting was posted at all District offices and published in the Omaha World-Herald on April 7, 2022. The proof of publication affidavit is included with the file copy of these minutes.

1. Review and Recommendation of Contract Amendment 3 with FYRA Engineering for WP2 – Amanda Grint and Sara Mechtenberg, FYRA:

Assistant General Manager Amanda Grint and Sara Mechtenberg, FYRA, presented the proposed contract Amendment No. 3 with FYRA Engineering for professional services to include Submittal of a Water Sustainability Fund application for WP2 and WP4 combined, and additional geotechnical borings and analysis in an old farmstead location where access was previously limited. She reported that the total not to exceed amount for Amendment No. 3 is \$61,535 which will bring the total contract, including Amendments 1, 2, and 3 to \$1,729,702. Amanda answered Directors questions.

- **It was moved by Director Tesar and seconded by Director Fowler that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board that the General Manager be authorized to execute the proposed**

Amendment No. 3 to the Professional Services Agreement between the District and FYRA Engineering for the Regional Detention Site WP2 Project for the maximum amount of \$61,535, bringing the total maximum not to exceed contract amount to \$1,729,702, subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager and approval as to form by District Legal Counsel.

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea.

Voting Yea: Fowler, Japp, Sopinski, Tesar, Conley
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: None

2. Review and Recommendation of the Joint Funding Agreements for Water Quality Monitoring – Eric Williams:

- a. Lower Platte River Corridor Gages**
- b. Leshara Gage**

Project Manager Eric Williams presented the proposed Joint Funding Agreements with Lower Platte South Natural Resources District (LPSNRD) for the Lower Platte River Corridor Gages in the amount of \$46,600 in FY 2023, \$41,800 in FY 2024, and \$30,800 in FY 2025; and for the Leshara Gage in the amount of \$6,400 in FY 2023, \$5,320 in FY 2024, and \$4,360 in FY 2025. Eric reported that the long term gages located in the Platte River at Louisville, Salt Creek at Ashland, and Elkhorn River at Waterloo are a partnership between the District, LPSNRD, and USGS. The gage located in the Platte River at Leshara is a partnership between the District, LPSNRD, Lower Platte North NRD, Lincoln Water Systems (LWS), Metropolitan Utilities District (MUD), and USGS. Eric answered Directors questions.

- **It was moved by Director Fowler and seconded by Director Sopinski that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute the Joint Funding Agreement with Lower Platte South Natural Resources District for the Lower Platte River Corridor Gages in the amount of \$46,600 in FY 2023, \$41,800 in FY 2024, and \$30,800 in FY 2025 subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager and approval as to form by District Legal Counsel; and**

That the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the General Manager be authorized to execute the Joint Funding Agreement with Lower Platte South Natural Resources District for the Leshara Gage in the amount of \$6,400 in FY 2023, \$5,320 in FY 2024, and \$4,360 in FY 2025, subject to changes deemed necessary by the General Manager and approval as to form by District Legal Counsel.

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea.

Voting Yea: Fowler, Japp, Sopinski, Tesar, Conley
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: None

3. Review and Recommendation of the FY 2023 Urban Cost Share Programs – Eric Williams:

- a. Urban Conservation Assistance Program**

Eric Williams reviewed the applications received for this program:

- Bellevue, College Heights Storm Sewer Outfall
- SID 162 (Sarpy) Millard Park, Bank Stabilization

The total budget for this program in FY 2022 budget was \$120,000. The total funding request for FY 2023 is \$60,000. Eric answered Directors questions.

- **It was moved by Director Fowler and seconded by Director Tesar that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the applications from Bellevue for \$30,000 and SID 162 Millard Park for \$30,000, for a total of \$60,000 be approved, subject to funding in the FY 2023 Budget.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea.

Voting Yea: Fowler, Japp, Sopinski, Tesar, Conley
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: None

b. Urban Drainageway Program

Eric Williams reviewed the applications received for this program:

- Bellevue, Quail Creek Rehabilitation - Year 1 of 3 (total for the project \$1,500,000)
- Bellevue, Whitted Creek Rehabilitation - Year 1 of 3 (total for the project \$1,500,000)
- Blair, Highway 75 Channel Improvements
- Omaha, Oakbrook Channel Repair Phase II - Year 1 of 3 (total for the project \$1,500,000)
- Sarpy County, Buffalo Road Channel - Year 1 of 3 (total for the project \$1,291,566)

The total budget for this program in FY 2022 budget was \$786,968. The total funding request for FY 2023 is \$1,335,000. Eric answered Directors questions.

- **It was moved by Director Fowler and seconded by Director Sopinski that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the application from the City of Bellevue for \$280,000 and \$295,000 in FY 2023, Blair for \$60,000, the City of Omaha for \$400,000 in FY 2023, and from Sarpy County for \$300,000 in FY 2023 for a total of \$1,335,000 in FY 2023, be approved, subject to funding in the FY 2023 Budget.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea.

Voting Yea: Fowler, Japp, Sopinski, Tesar, Conley
Voting Nay: None
Abstaining: None
Absent: None

c. Recreation Area Development Program

Eric Williams reviewed the applications received for this program:

- Bennington, Tim Ohrt Park Improvements
- Fort Calhoun
- Gretna, Crossing Park Restrooms
- La Vista, Jay Cee Park Playground
- Papillion, Garden Street Park Playground
- South Sioux City, Covington Park Playground

The total budget for this program in FY 2022 budget was \$430,911. The total funding request for FY 2023 is \$297,500. Eric answered Directors questions.

- **It was moved by Director Sopinski and seconded by Director Japp that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the applications from Bennington for \$50,000, Fort Calhoun for \$50,000, Gretna for \$50,000, La Vista for \$50,000, Papillion for \$47,500, and South Sioux City for \$50,000, for a total of \$297,500, be approved, subject to funding in the FY 2023 Budget.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea.

Voting Yea: Fowler, Japp, Sopinski, Tesar, Conley
 Voting Nay: None
 Abstaining: None
 Absent: None

d. Trails Assistance Program

Eric Williams reviewed the applications received for this program:

- Douglas County, West Maple Road Trail Phase 1
- SID 351 (Sarpy) Cheyenne Ridge Trail
- South Sioux City, Siouxland Freedom Park Trail

The total budget for this program in FY 2022 budget was \$1,213,375. The total funding request for FY 2023 is \$688,822. Eric and General Manager John Winkler answered Directors questions.

- **It was moved by Director Japp and seconded by Director Fowler that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the applications from Douglas County for \$540,085, SID 351 Cheyenne Ridge for \$112,500, and South Sioux City for \$36,237 for a total of \$688,822 be approved, subject to funding in the FY 2023 Budget.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea.

Voting Yea: Fowler, Japp, Sopinski, Tesar, Conley
 Voting Nay: None
 Abstaining: None
 Absent: None

e. Lake Dredging Program

Eric Williams reviewed the applications received for this program:

- Papillion, Walnut Creek Silt Ponds

The total budget for this program in FY 2022 budget was \$100,000. The total funding request for FY 2023 is \$100,000. Eric answered Directors questions.

- **It was moved by Director Fowler and seconded by Director Sopinski that the Subcommittee recommend to the Board of Directors that the application from Papillion for \$100,000 be approved, subject to funding in the FY 2023 Budget.**

Roll call was taken on the motion. The motion carried on a vote of 5-yea.

Voting Yea: Fowler, Japp, Sopinski, Tesar, Conley
 Voting Nay: None
 Abstaining: None
 Absent: None

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business, the meeting adjourned by acclamation at 4:50 p.m.