




LOWER PLATTE SOUTH natural resources district

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Memorandum

Date: August 12, 2022

To: Each Director

From: Paul D. Zillig, General Manager 

Subject: Finance and Planning Subcommittee Meeting

The Finance and Planning Subcommittee met on Wednesday, August 10, 2022 at 5:50 pm in the NRD Office in Lincoln. Subcommittee members present were Bob Andersen, Lisa Lewis, Ray Stevens, Susan Seacrest, Larry Ruth, Don Jacobson, and Vern Barrett. Also present were Deborah Eagan, David Landis, Cory Schmidt, Kristin Buntmeyer, David Potter, and myself.

Chair Andersen opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. Andersen reported the first item on the agenda was to consider the attached resolution on the FY 23 NRD Budget. It was moved by Stevens, seconded by Ruth, and unanimously approved by the Subcommittee to **recommend the Board of Directors approve the Resolution adopting the final budget for FY 2023 totaling \$36,684,328.00 with a property tax request of \$10,156,870.00.**

The next item on the agenda was to consider the purchase of Global Positioning System (GPS) Survey Equipment. Potter and Schmidt provided the attached proposal from Transit Works of Lincoln and reported on the benefits of the equipment and the need to replace the existing unit. It was pointed out that this equipment is compatible with the NRCS equipment and can be serviced locally. It was moved by Seacrest, seconded by Stevens, and unanimously approved by the Subcommittee to **recommend the Board of Directors approve the proposal from Transit Works for the purchase of GPS Survey Equipment in the amount of \$32,644.00.**

The final item was a report on the items from last month's Subcommittee Meeting regarding the purchase of a storage facility/maintenance yard at 6201 Fulton Avenue. I reported that the Board did not take any action on these recommendations last month due to the property purchase being under contract. I reported that the sale fell through and the property is again on the market. It was agreed to now bring forward the discussion and motions from July, they are listed below:

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I reviewed with the Subcommittee that the District has been searching for a maintenance yard for several years and more recently a storage building (since the NRD's storage building lease expired last year). Langdale reviewed the need for the facility and the benefit to District operations. Staff reported that not many facilities have been available but there is currently a facility available at 6201

Fulton Avenue (see attached information). The Subcommittee further discussed the facility, the location, and how it would meet the current and future needs of the District.

It was moved by C. Johnson, seconded by Stevens, and unanimously approved by the Subcommittee to **recommend the Board of Directors authorize the General Manager to make an offer to purchase the 6201 Fulton Avenue property in an amount to be determined by Board guidance.**

The Subcommittee then discussed the need to go into closed session to discuss negotiations for this real estate purchase at 6201 Fulton Avenue. It was moved by C. Johnson, seconded by Stevens and unanimously approved by the Subcommittee at 6:48 pm to go into closed session to protect the public interest concerning negotiations to purchase a storage building/maintenance facility at 6201 Fulton Avenue, Lincoln, NE.

At 7:05 pm it was moved by C. Johnson, seconded by Stevens, and unanimously approved by the Subcommittee to return to open session.

After coming out of “closed session” the Board will need to consider a motion to **authorize negotiations to purchase 6201 Fulton Avenue property in accordance with Director _____’s guidance.**

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The meeting adjourned at 6:07 pm.

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pc: Steve Seglin & Corey Wasserburger