




## LOWER PLATTE SOUTH natural resources district

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### Memorandum

**Date:** October 11, 2019  
**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Jared Nelson, District Engineer   
**Subject:** Urban Subcommittee Meeting Minutes – October 2019

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The Urban Subcommittee met at 5:30 pm on Thursday, October 10, 2019 in the District Office to discuss and/or take action on three agenda items. Subcommittee members present included Mike DeKalb, Robert Andersen, Debra Eagan, Luke Peterson, Milt Schmidt, and Tom Green. Members absent included Anthony Schutz, and Ray Stevens. Others present included Paul Zillig, David Potter, Bryce Jensen, Jared Nelson, Al Langdale, and Tracy Zayac; and Ross Lawrence with JEO. Director DeKalb called the meeting to order at 5:30, gave a brief welcome, and reviewed the agenda. The following contains a summary of the meeting and corresponding background information:

#### **(a.) Consideration of bids for the Antelope Creek Pipe Replacement Project**

The 2019 Antelope Creek Pipe Replacement Project, replaces four (4) rusted corrugated metal storm drain pipe outfalls to Antelope Creek, along Capitol Parkway upstream of Randolph Street. The District hired JEO Consulting Group who has completed the design, permitting, development of plans. See attached for an example of the typical pipe repair plan, and the Engineer's cost estimate for construction (also known as an 'Opinion of Probable Cost') for \$59,000. This project was advertised for construction on September 19<sup>th</sup>, and the bid opening was held Thursday morning, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and received three bids. If awarded, the contractor may begin work in November, and will have until January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 to substantially complete the work.

Bryce Jensen distributed a letter from JEO with the bid tabulation, and discussed with the Urban Subcommittee JEO's recommendation to award to the lowest responsible bidder, which was Pat Thomas Construction. Discussion followed among the subcommittee and staff regarding the high bid prices which appears to be a common theme lately in the construction industry, especially with all the flood recovery work in this region.

**It was moved by Anderson, seconded by Schmidt, and unanimously approved by the Subcommittee to recommend approving the Bid from Pat Thomas Construction in the amount of \$80,105 for the Antelope Creek Pipe Replacement Project.**

**(b.) Consideration of Amendment #1 to the Professional Services Agreement for additional Construction Services for the Antelope Creek Pipe Replacement Project**

The District hired JEO in May for design, permitting, and development of plans and specifications, at an hourly not-to-exceed fee of \$18,885 for the Antelope Creek Pipe Replacement Project. This work has been completed and bids for construction are scheduled to be received October 10, 2019 (see item 'a' above). If awarded, the construction of this project needs to be closely coordinated, monitored and documented due to the urban setting in the City of Lincoln and proximity to Capitol Parkway and Rock Island Trail. Staff received a proposed Amendment #1 from JEO, in order to provide additional construction administration and construction observation services. Subcommittee members and staff briefly discussed this work is needed for the associated construction project, which the Subcommittee recommends moving forward with (in item 'a' above).

**It was moved by Eagan, seconded by Green, and unanimously approved by the Subcommittee to recommend approval of the Amendment #1 to the Professional Services Agreement with JEO Consulting Group, for the Antelope Creek Pipe Replacement Project, in an amount not to exceed \$6,530.**

**(c.) Reports**

The final agenda topic included a few updates to the subcommittee. First, Al Langdale gave a status update regarding the USACE Salt Creek Levee Rehabilitation Repairs, which is being completed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to address damage caused by the 2019 flood event. The estimated construction cost of repairs, now total nearly \$12 Million, which is 100% paid for by USACE since the NRD is in the PL 84-99 program. It was noted however, that the NRD will need to supply cohesive clay material and topsoil for the project, and land-rights for access and staging, at a cost to the NRD. The USACE has an accelerated timeline for design, slated to be complete in January, 2020.

Next, Paul Zillig and Jared Nelson gave updates regarding the Deadmans Run Flood Reduction Project. The USACE hired SOLV, an engineering firm to begin work on the project and will begin surveying along Deadmans Run as early as next week. In addition: the University of Nebraska in Lincoln started work on the physical flume model; the City of Lincoln began acquiring land-rights; and the NRD's geotechnical borings and piezometer installation work is now complete.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.