## GREATER BATON ROUGE PORT COMMISSION

## Commission Meeting 5:00 p.m. Thursday, March 24, 2022

**ABSENT** 

Mr. Ted H. Glaser Mr. Troy S. LeBoeuf

The Greater Baton Rouge Port Commission met in regular session at 5:00 p.m. on

Thursday, March 24, 2022 at the Maritime Security Operations Center meeting room in West Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana.

Following the Call to Order and the Pledge of Allegiance, the roll was called.

PRESENT

Ms. Rebecca A. Cunard

Mr. Hall L. Davis, IV

Mr. Michael D. DeLaune

Mr. Shelton C. Dixon

Ms. Brenda R. Hurst

Mr. Bob Kelly

Ms. Angela R. Machen

Mr. Travis M. Medine

Mr. Jessel M. Ourso, III

Mr. Lawrence G. Pierson

Ms. Lynn Robertson

Mr. Donald M. Schexnayder

Mr. Cedric A. Upshaw

Mr. James E. Walters, Jr.

Mr. Bobby Watts

Agenda Item 4 - Public Comments: Comments from the public regarding any/all of the agenda items listed below will be accepted at this point in the meeting. The meeting chairperson may also allow further comments from the public as and when each agenda item is considered during the meeting process.

There were no public comments.

Agenda Item 5 - Approval of minutes of a Commission meeting held on Thursday, February 24, 2022.

On a motion by Mr. Travis Medine, seconded by Ms. Brenda Hurst, the minutes were unanimously approved.

Agenda Item 6 - Monthly Engineering Report

Mr. Cortney White presented the monthly engineering report, as outlined in documentation presented to all Board members.

Agenda Item 7 - Discussion and appropriate action regarding the selection of a Construction Manager at Risk Contractor (CMAR Contractor) for the Bulk Scale/Annex/Towers/Conveyance Project (Project No. 2020-12-1) contingent upon approval of the Division of Administration and Louis Dreyfus Company.

Mr. Cortney White addressed the Board by stating that the Selection Review Committee reviewed and individually scored the three Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) received based on the criteria established in the advertised Request for Qualifications. The Selection Review Committee's official recommendation is for the award of a Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) pre-construction services contract to Younglove Construction, LLC, contingent upon approval of the Division of Administration and Louis Dreyfus Company. Mr. White and port staff recommend approval.

Following a discussion, on a motion by Mr. Bobby Watts, seconded by Mr. Donald Schexnayder, the Commission unanimously approved to award the Construction Manager at Risk Contractor (CMAR Contractor) for the Bulk Scale/Annex/Tower/Conveyance Project (Project No. 2020-12-1) to Younglove Construction, LLC, contingent upon approval of the Division of Administration and Louis Dreyfus Company.

Agenda Item 8 - Discussion and appropriate action regarding the IRMT Container Yard investigation and recommended repairs.

Mr. Cortney White addressed the Board by stating that the geotechnical investigation concludes that slab settlement is primarily due to compaction of soil from the movement of the heavy container handling equipment. The geotechnical recommendation is to try to incur more soil compaction by moving the heavy equipment over the concentrated area in an exaggerated manner for 3 days. A preliminary design concept involves removing damaged concrete by hydro-blasting, replacing the concrete, installing an asphalt ramp over the concrete to make up the elevation difference, and repairing the joint at the dock slab interface. The asphalt will be contained by a curb along the face of the slab with steel plating on top to be used to adjust elevation in case of future soil settlement. The estimated cost of the repairs is approximately \$300,000.00. The geotechnical report from J.L. Arnold, Inc. and an interoffice memo from Mr. White was presented to all Board members. Mr. White and port staff recommend the port follow the geotechnical advice to try to induce soil compaction by repetitive movement of the heavy equipment. Before and after surveys will be conducted to see if there is more movement. After this is concluded, we would like to do the hydro-blasting to expose the rebar and investigate the depth of the

concrete failure. We would then return to the Board with our findings and how to proceed with the additional repairs. The hydro-blasting would have to be done either way in our repair effort.

Following a discussion, on a motion by Mr. Bobby Watts, seconded by Mr. Jessel Ourso, the Commission unanimously approved the hydro-blasting in the amount of approximately \$150,000.00, and return to the Board at a later date with a final design solution.

Agenda Item 9 - Discussion and appropriate action regarding the replacement of a fire pump controller for the IRMT fire suppression system.

Following a discussion, on a motion by Mr. Travis Medine, seconded by Mr. Shelton Dixon, the Commission voted unanimously to replace the fire pump controller for the IRMT fire suppression system for the approximate cost of \$17,000.00.

Agenda Item 10 - Discussion and consideration of leasing IRMT Terminal excluding shop and 40,000 sq. ft. transit shed to Ports America.

The item was tabled until further notice.

Agenda Item 11 - Financial Report

Ms. Katie LeBlanc presented the monthly financial report. No action was required.

Agenda Item 12 - Other matters

Ms. Rebecca Cunard addressed the Commission with a reminder that the financial disclosure forms are due by May 15, 2022 covering 2021.

Agenda Item 13 - Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Hall Davis, seconded by Mr. Jimmy Walters, the meeting adjourned.

NOTE: Immediately following adjournment, Glen Fortune presented the annual sexual harassment and ethics training that is required of all public servants.

Secretary: Bobby Watts

President: Rebecca A. Cunard

Date approved: April 28, 2022