



Record of Meeting | April 19, 2017

The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority (the “Tollway”) held the regularly scheduled Finance, Administration and Operations Committee Meeting on Wednesday, April 19, 2017 in the Boardroom of Tollway Headquarters in Downers Grove, Illinois. The Meeting was held pursuant to By-Laws of the Tollway upon call and notice of the Meeting executed by Chairman Robert J. Schillerstrom and posted in accordance with the requirements of the Illinois *Open Meetings Act*. The Meeting was open to the public.

[Bolded entries indicate issues which may require follow-up to present or report to Directors.]

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance / Roll Call

Committee Chair Joe Gomez called the Meeting to order at approximately 9:35 a.m., stating that this is the regularly scheduled meeting of the Finance, Administration and Operations Committee (“FAO Committee”) of the Tollway Board of Directors. He invited attendees to rise and join in the Pledge of Allegiance. Committee Chair Gomez then asked the Board Secretary to call the roll, those Directors present and absent being as follows:

Committee Members Present:
Committee Chair Joe Gomez
Director Corey Brooks
Director Earl Dotson, Jr.
Director David Gonzalez
Director Neli Vazquez Rowland

Committee Members Not Present:
None

The Board Secretary declared a quorum present.

Public Comment

Committee Chair Gomez opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was offered.

Committee Chair’s Items



Committee Chair Gomez called for a motion to approve **Committee Chair's Item 1**, the Minutes of the regular Finance, Administration and Operations Committee meeting held on March 15, 2017, as presented. Director Dotson made a motion for approval; seconded by Director Gonzalez. Committee Chair Gomez asked if there are any questions, concerns or requests for amendment. Hearing nothing, Committee Chair Gomez called for a vote. The motion was PASSED unanimously.

Having no further items, Committee Chair Gomez called on Executive Director Greg Bedalov.

Executive Director's Items

Acting General Counsel: Executive Director Bedalov informed Directors that the Illinois Attorney General has appointed Elizabeth Oplawski as the Tollway's Acting General Counsel to replace David Goldberg who left in early April to pursue opportunities in the private sector. Committee Chair Gomez welcomed Ms. Oplawski, who served previously as Deputy General Counsel, and thanked her for service to the Tollway in this important capacity.

Items for Consideration

Finance

Committee Chair Gomez called on Mike Colsch, Chief Financial Officer, to present to the Committee the following Finance item:

Item 1: Award of Contract 17-0004 to Mesirow Insurance Services for the purchase of Liability Insurance Services in an amount not to exceed \$1,012,824.00 (Order Against CMS Master Contract).

Upon conclusion of the presentation of the item, Committee Chair Gomez called for a motion to approve placement of **Finance Item 1** on the April Board of Directors meeting agenda with the Committee's recommendation for approval by the Board. Director Vazquez Rowland made a motion for approval; seconded by Director Brooks. Committee Chair Gomez asked if there are any questions, concerns or requests for discussion. Hearing nothing, Committee Chair Gomez called for a vote. The motion was PASSED unanimously.

Procurement

Committee Chair Gomez called on John Donato, Chief of Procurement, to present to the Committee the following Procurement items:



Item 1: Award of Contract 14-0051R to AskReply, Inc. (d.b.a. B2Gnow) for the purchase of Diversity Management Web-Based Application, Support, and Maintenance Services in an amount not to exceed \$954,700.00 (Tollway Request for Proposal).

Mr. Donato requested that consideration of this item be deferred to a future meeting.

Item 2: Renewal of Contract 14-0077 to Rush Truck Centers of Illinois, Inc. (d.b.a. Rush Truck Center, Chicago); Lakeside International LLC; and Thompson Truck & Trailer, Inc. for the purchase of Navistar Truck Repair Services in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).

Item 3: Renewal of Contract 12-0063RRR to Oak Brook Mechanical Services, Inc. for the purchase of Preventive Maintenance and Repair of Boilers and Water Heaters in an amount not to exceed \$156,102.00 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).

Upon conclusion of the presentation of items, Committee Chair Gomez stated that consideration of **Procurement Item 1** will be deferred to a future meeting.

Committee Chair Gomez then called for a motion to approve placement of **Procurement Item 2** on the April Board of Directors meeting agenda with the Committee's recommendation for approval. Director Vazquez Rowland made a motion for approval; seconded by Director Brooks. Committee Chair Gomez asked if there are any questions, concerns or requests for discussion. Hearing nothing, Committee Chair Gomez called for a vote. The motion was PASSED unanimously.

Committee Chair Gomez called for a motion to approve placement of **Procurement Item 3** on the April Board of Directors meeting agenda with the Committee's recommendation for approval. Director Gonzalez made a motion for approval; seconded by Director Dotson. Committee Chair Gomez asked if there are any questions, concerns or requests for discussion. Hearing nothing, Committee Chair Gomez called for a vote. The motion was PASSED unanimously.

Engineering

Committee Chair Gomez called on Paul Kovacs, Chief Engineering Officer, to present to the Committee the following Engineering items:

Item 1: Award of Contract RR-17-4286 to Fox Excavating, Inc. for Drainage Improvements, on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) from Milepost 10.2 Northbound Midlothian Turnpike (137th Street) to Milepost 10.5 (135th Street), in the amount of \$395,114.00.



Item 2: Award of Contract RR-17-4287 to Fox Excavating, Inc. for Drainage Improvements, on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Northbound Milepost 14.9 to Milepost 15.1 (South of 111th Street); Southbound Milepost 15.7 (Norfolk Southern Railways) to Milepost 15.8 (107th Street), in the amount of \$652,631.00.

Item 3: Award of Contract RR-17-6001 to Aldridge Electric, Inc. for Systemwide Dynamic Message Sign Improvements on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) Milepost 115.3 (Randall Road) to Milepost 137.6 (Spring Road); Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) Milepost 17.1 (63rd Street) to Milepost 25.8 (IL 53), in the amount of \$2,599,902.70.

Director Vazquez Rowland inquired concerning the cost difference between color and monochrome dynamic message signs (“DMS”). Mr. Kovacs responded that color DMS cost approximately \$220,000 and monochrome approximately \$150,000. He highlighted that color DMS provide improved visibility, flexibility and accentuation of messaging.

Director Dotson asked about the life expectancy of DMS. Mr. Kovacs responded that DMS and associated equipment have a 10 year service life.

Committee Chair Gomez asked if Illinois State Police District 15 has input on the messaging content of DMS. Captain Bob Meeder, Illinois State Police District 15, responded affirmatively, explaining that DMS are an important communication tool of District 15 for conveying Amber alerts and safety-related messages to Tollway patrons.

Item 4: Award of Contract RR-17-9201 to RoadSafe Traffic Systems, Inc. for Pavement Marking, Systemwide, in the amount of \$675,209.00.

Item 5: Acceptance of Proposal from Parsons Transportation Group, Inc., on Contract RR-16-9194 for ITS Maintenance and Network Deployment Guidance and Support Management, Systemwide, in an amount not to exceed \$6,000,000.00.

Item 6: Acceptance of Proposal from Bowman Consulting Group, Ltd., on Contract RR-13-4117 for Roadway Reconstruction, on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88), East West Connector with the Tri-State Tollway (I-294), in an amount of \$419,000.00 from \$2,993,467.42 to \$3,412,467.42.

Item 7: Acceptance of Proposal from Parsons Transportation Group, Inc., on Contract RR-13-4116 for Roadway Reconstruction, on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) from Milepost 138.1 (York Road Plaza) to Milepost 140.5 (I-290), in an amount of \$534,000.00 from \$3,348,578.95 to \$3,882,578.95.

During presentation of the item, Mr. Kovacs reported that based on an engineering evaluation, it has been determined that an auxiliary lane on the westbound Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88)



from I-294 to the York Road plaza would provide motorist benefits and could be accommodated within the available construction budget. He explained that this supplement would allow the designer to complete the work on the auxiliary lane (and address a requested improvement from Oak Brook) without delay to the advertisement of the construction work later this year. Committee Chair Gomez inquired about specific signage and design elements of the I-294 / I-290 / I-88 interchange. Mr. Kovacs advised that these facilities are currently being studied for improvement as part of the planning process for the Central Tri-State (I-294) Project and that additional information in this regard will be forthcoming.

Item 8: Acceptance of Proposal from BV3 Joint Venture (Alfred Benesch & Company/V3 Companies of Illinois), on Contract I-11-4018 for Reconstruction and Add Lane, on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) Milepost 78.6 (Kennedy Expressway) to Milepost 53.8 (Elgin Toll Plaza) and Milepost 60.8 (Higgins Road) to Milepost 53.8 (Elgin Toll Plaza), in an amount of \$550,000.00 from \$28,107,147.80 to \$28,657,147.80.

Director Dotson inquired about the allocation for tree plantings within the Tollway Budget. Executive Director Bedalov reminded the Committee that the Board has approved an initiative to enhance the urban tree canopy by establishing a goal to plant 58,000 trees along the Tollway system. He advised that a Landscape Master Plan, currently under development, is to provide guidance on the feasibility of attaining that goal and to establish future budgets in this regard. Mike Colsch, Chief Financial Officer, noted that some budget is currently available in 2017 for various emerging projects and planning studies that include the tree initiative project. Mr. Kovacs added that the 3,500 trees subject of this award are incorporated into the existing corridor budget. **Mr. Kovacs further noted that he will develop a more detailed response and convey to Directors post-Meeting.**

Item 9: Change Order / Extra Work Order on Contract I-13-4618 to F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC for Elmhurst Road West Bridge and Interchange on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) at Milepost 73.5 (Elmhurst Road); and Elmhurst Road from South of Landmeier to Oakton, in the amount of \$2,002,135.25.

Director Vazquez Rowland asked if there will be an opportunity for the agency to recover any of the costs of this change order / extra work order. Mr. Kovacs responded in the negative. He explained that the change order / extra work order is necessary to overcome and mitigate delays outside the control of project vendors, including right-of-way acquisitions, mainline coordination, and extensive utility relocations which were beyond the capacity of utilities to accomplish in the time allotted.

Upon conclusion of the presentation of items, Committee Chair Gomez called for a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 1 through 4. Director Gonzalez made



a motion to consolidate; seconded by Director Dotson. Committee Chair Gomez then called for a vote. The motion was PASSED unanimously.

The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Committee Chair Gomez called for a motion to approve placement of **Engineering Items 1 through 4** on the April Board of Directors meeting agenda with the Committee's recommendation for approval by the Board. Director Vazquez Rowland made a motion for approval; seconded by Director Gonzalez. Committee Chair Gomez asked if there are any questions, concerns or requests for discussion of these items. Hearing nothing, Committee Chair Gomez called for a vote. The motion was PASSED unanimously.

Director Brooks stated he wishes to recuse himself from participating in the decision regarding Engineering Item 5.

Committee Chair Gomez then called for a motion to approve placement of **Engineering Item 5** on the April Board of Directors meeting agenda with the Committee's recommendation for approval by the Board. Director Dotson made a motion for approval; seconded by Director Gonzalez. Committee Chair Gomez asked if there are any questions, concerns or requests for discussion. Hearing nothing, Committee Chair Gomez called for a vote. The motion was PASSED, with Director Brooks recusing himself.

Committee Chair Gomez then called for a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 6 through 9. Director Vazquez Rowland made a motion to consolidate; seconded by Director Dotson. Committee Chair Gomez called for a vote. The motion was PASSED unanimously.

The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Committee Chair Gomez then called for a motion to approve placement of **Engineering Items 6 through 9** on the April Board of Directors meeting agenda with the Committee's recommendation for approval by the Board. Director Gonzalez made a motion for approval; seconded by Director Vazquez Rowland. Committee Chair Gomez asked if there are any questions, concerns or requests for discussion of these items. Hearing nothing, Committee Chair Gomez called for a vote. The motion was PASSED unanimously.

Legal

Committee Chair Gomez called on Liz Oplawski, Acting General Counsel, to present to the Committee the following Legal items:



Item 1: Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Schaumburg regarding cost sharing for reconstruction of Amanda Drive and Commerce Court for utility relocation near I-90 with Village of Schaumburg. Cost to the Tollway: \$1,584,000.00.

Item 2: Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Northlake regarding reimbursement to City of Northlake for additional final design services for the Illinois Route 390 project for I-294 at County Line Road, North Avenue, and Lake Street. Cost to the Tollway: Estimated at \$422,478.40.

Item 3: Authorization to Enter a Litigation Settlement – Aaron Equipment. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Ms. Oplawski requested that consideration of Legal Items 3 through 11, each concerning a litigation settlement, be deferred to the Executive Session of the full Board meeting.

Item 4: Authorization to Enter into a Land Acquisition Litigation Settlement – Rosemont Park District. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Item 5: Authorization to Enter into a Pre-Litigation Settlement – F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates LLC. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Item 6: Authorization to Enter into a Pre-Litigation Settlement – Dunnet Bay Construction Co. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Item 7: Authorization to Enter into a Pre-Litigation Settlement – IHC Construction Companies Inc. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Item 8: Authorization to Enter into a Pre-Litigation Settlement – Lorig Construction Co./Lindhal JV. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Item 9: Authorization to Enter into a Pre-Litigation Settlement – Lorig Construction Co. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Item 10: Authorization to Enter into a Pre-Litigation Settlement – Plote Construction, Inc./Dunnet Bay Constr. Co. JV. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Item 11: Authorization to Enter into a Pre-Litigation Settlement – Walsh Construction/K-Five Construction JV. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Upon conclusion of the presentation of items, Committee Chair Gomez called for a motion to approve placement of **Legal Item 1** on the April Board of Directors meeting agenda with the Committee's recommendation for approval by the Board. Director Vazquez Rowland made a



motion for approval; seconded by Director Gonzalez. Committee Chair Gomez asked if there are any questions, concerns or requests for discussion. Hearing nothing, Committee Chair Gomez called for a vote. The motion was PASSED unanimously.

Committee Chair Gomez called for a motion to approve placement of **Legal Item 2** on the April Board of Directors meeting agenda with the Committee's recommendation for approval by the Board. Director Vazquez Rowland made a motion for approval; seconded by Director Brooks. Committee Chair Gomez asked if there are any questions, concerns or requests for discussion. Hearing nothing, Committee Chair Gomez called for a vote. The motion was PASSED unanimously.

Committee Chair Gomez stated that consideration of **Legal Items 3 through 11** will be deferred to the Executive Session of the April Board of Directors meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Committee, Committee Chair Gomez requested a motion to adjourn. Motion to adjourn was made by Director Dotson; seconded by Director Vazquez Rowland. Committee Chair Gomez called for a vote. The motion was PASSED unanimously.

The Meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:14 a.m.

Minutes taken by: _____

Christi Regnery
Board Secretary
Illinois State Toll Highway Authority