

upon the bids. Mr. Christopher stated that money saved on other projects that come in under budget may be used to complete this project.

The Chair stated that she would like the project to come in under the \$175,000 currently budgeted for it. Mr. Christopher stated that he is not overly optimistic that this is possible.

The Chair asked if temporary relocation of the telecommunications equipment on the tank has been provided for. Mr. Christopher stated that the contractor will be given the contact information for all of the companies that lease communications space on the tank.

The Chair recognized Mr. James, who asked why the amendment changed the funding source from capital outlay to other operations. The Finance Director stated that this project is considered a capital project and should be placed in a capital account so that the funds can be accounted for appropriately.

The Chair recognized Mr. Weinhardt, who asked if the contractor that painted the tank in 1977 is on the bidder list. Mr. Christopher stated he did not have this information. Mr. Weinhardt noted that the last painting job endured for 37 years, and suggested the City should consider requiring a similar guarantee period.

The Chair recognized Mrs. Snyder, who asked whether taking the tank out of service will affect water service in the area. Mr. Christopher stated the Bailey Road pump station, which presently is operated only to fill the tank, will be operated continuously during the project, and water pressure in the mains will be monitored at three locations by the contractor to ensure required pressure is maintained. In addition, a backup generator will be placed at the pump station. Mrs. Snyder asked how long the tank will be empty. Mr. Christopher stated the bid documents call for the

project to be started by September 15th and completed in 60 days.

The Chair recognized Mr. DeRemer, who asked if it would cost more to paint the tank a different color. Mr. Christopher stated he did not have this information, but would look into it.

There was no opponent testimony. There was no public comment.

Motion by Mr. James to release Sub. Temp. Ord. A-38 (4/21/14) with a favorable recommendation. Seconded by Mr. Iula. Motion adopted by acclamation.

Temp Ord. A-39

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts without competitive bidding with Aclara Technologies, LLC for the maintenance and support of the STAR/DCU hardware and software associated with the Automatic Meter Reader System, and declaring an emergency.

Proponent testimony was offered by Information Services Director John Konich. He stated that this ordinance authorizes the City to enter into contract with Aclara Technologies for maintenance of the hardware and software of the City's automated meter reading system. This work was previously performed by Aclara as a subcontractor to Johnson Controls under its contract with the City. Aclara will no longer perform this work on a third party basis. Johnson Controls will reduce its billing by the amount of the contract with Aclara, so the contract will have no budget effect, and will involve no additional cost. The term of the contract is 5 years.

The Chair asked Mr. Konich to explain the additional items that will benefit the City by entering into this contract. Mr. Konich stated the City has 34 data collection units (DCUs) on poles throughout the City, and has had better maintenance performance by dealing directly with Aclara. Also, upgrades to the

software used in the data center was not covered under the Johnson Controls contract, but will be covered under the contract with Aclara.

There was no opponent testimony. There was no public comment.

Motion by Mr. Iula to release Temp. Ord. A-39 with a favorable recommendation. Seconded by Mr. James. Motion adopted by acclamation.

Non-Agenda Items

None.

Adjournment

Without objection, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.



Carol A. Klinger, Chair



Paul A. Janis, Clerk of Council