

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

JULY 19, 2023

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on Wednesday, July 19, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chamber.

Mayor Jim Donchess, Chairman, presided.

Members of the Committee present: Mayor Jim Donchess
Alderman Patricia Klee, Vice Chair
Alderman Tyler Gouveia
Alderman-at-Large Ben Clemons

Members not in Attendance: Alderman Alex Comeau
Alderwoman-at-Large Gloria Timmons
Alderman-at-Large Melbourne Moran, Jr.

Also in Attendance: Alderman Derek Thibeault
Cheryl Lindner, Treasury Management Officer
Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager
Nick Miseirvitch, CIO, Information Technology (via Zoom)
David Boucher, Superintendent Wastewater
Jeff Lafleur, Superintendent Solid Waste
Bobbie Bagley, Chief Public Health Officer
Elizabeth Thibeault
Matt Sullivan, Community Development Director
Tim Cummings, Administrative Services Director
Amy DeRoche, OED Project Manager
Karen Smith, Business Manager
David Elliott, Patrolman
Jennifer Zins, Assessing Admin. Specialist III
Mark Saunders, Deputy City Engineer

PUBLIC COMMENT

Laurie Ortolano

Laurie Ortolano, 41, Berkeley Street. I happen to notice that we have a purchase order for the hiring of a it looks like one employee from Vision who's going to be here each year. Maybe it was a five year contract I noticed to do assistance with the assessors downstairs. My question is the contract called out a certain number of building permits they were going to cover maybe it was 7,500. Do we know what capacity that is that they're going to cover for the total number?

Chairman Donchess

I think we will learn more about the contract when that item comes up on the agenda.

Laurie Ortolano

Okay. Well I'm glad to see that position being done. I think that maintaining our data quality is a good thing. It was always difficult even particularly for residential properties with just two assessors. They just didn't have the time to get out and cover all of the sales and permit work that was done in the city and that this service would be pretty helpful in maintaining our data integrity. So thank you.

Chairman Donchess

Is there any other member of the public who wishes to speak the committee?

COMMUNICATIONS

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager
Re: Software and Hardware Maintenance in the amount of \$83,485.83 funded from 54407 Software Maintenance & 54414 Hardware Maintenance

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE THE ANNUAL RENEWAL CONTRACT FOR THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF KRONOS MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE TIMEKEEPING SOFTWARE WITH KRONOS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$83,485.83. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH DEPARTMENT: 122 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY; FUND: 54407 SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE \$66,665.32 AND 54414 HARDWARE MAINTENANCE \$16,820.51

ON THE QUESTION

Chairman Donchess

I believe Mr. Miseirvitch is here via Zoom.

Nick Miseirvitch, CIO

Yes, thank you Mr. Mayor. This is our yearly renewal for the Kronos product which as you are aware does our timekeeping and repeats all that information into our Lawson system. We broke out the software component which is licensing and support and hardware which is the time clocks. There are now approximately 40 scattered throughout city buildings and school buildings.

Chairman Donchess

All right. Any questions from members of Committee or any member of the Board? Questions? Comments?

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager

Re: Change Order 1 for Landfill Gas System Expansion in the amount of \$479,060 funded from 54210 Construction Services/Bond

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE A CHANGE ORDER 1 TO CONTRACT WITH SCS FIELD SERVICES OF RESTON, VA, TO CONSTRUCT AN EXPANSION OF THE LANDFILL GAS COLLECTION SYSTEM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$479,060. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH DEPARTMENT 168 SOLID WASTE; FUND: BOND; ACTIVITY: LANDFILL GAS EXPANSION

ON THE QUESTION

Chairman Donchess

Mr. Lafleur.

Jeff Lafleur Superintendent Solid Waste

Yes, thank you. This is a major gas expansion that's going on in the Phase III landfill. It's our first one that we've done for the Phase III. It's going to also entail having a new header line put through in anticipation for the Phase IV construction. This is also done by - needed by our DES permit. We have to expand our gas expansion and it'll help eliminate any odors or emissions out into the atmosphere.

Chairman Donchess

Any questions, comments?

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager

Re: Contract for replacement and refurbishment of the landfill scales in the amount not to exceed \$186,644 funded from 54210 Construction Services/Bond

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO NORTHEAST SCALE CO., INC. OF HOOKSETT, NH, TO REPLACE THE INBOUND SCALE AND REFURBISH THE EQUIPMENT FOR THE OUTBOUND SCALE AT FOUR HILLS LANDFILL. THE TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$186,644. FUNDING THROUGH DEPARTMENT 168 SOLID WASTE; FUND: BOND; ACTIVITY: SW LANDFILL SCALE REPLACEMENT.

ON THE QUESTION

Jeff Lafleur, Superintendent Solid Waste

Thank you. Yes this is as it says we're going to repair the landfill scale and we're going to replace the other. These are our major moneymakers for the city. They have to be accurate and they haven't been touched in over five years since I've been at the landfill. We're doing this to help alleviate any issues if there was a catastrophic failure, we'd start having to guesstimate how much is coming into our landfill and we need to have accurate weights for our permits.

Chairman Donchess

All right. Anybody have anything?

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager

Re: Change Order 1 for the 2022 Pavement Preservation Program in the amount not to exceed \$43,120.08 funded from 53107 Architect & Engineering Services/Bond

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER 1 FOR THE 2022 PAVEMENT PRESERVATION PROGRAM TO SEALCOATING, INC. DBA INDUS OF BRAINTREE, MA, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$43,120.08. FUNDING THROUGH DEPARTMENT: 160 ENGINEERING; SOURCE FUND: 53107 ARCHITECT & ENGINEERING SERVICES/BOND

ON THE QUESTION

Mark Saunders, Deputy City Engineer

Good evening. This change order is for preservation of the crack sealant treatment. This change order is scheduled to do about 14 miles of city roadways. With this treatment and just to refresh everyone's memory, our crack sealant it's a preservation treatment. It adds one to three years of life. We seal the cracks so that moisture doesn't further degrade the roadway. I'll take any questions. Thank you.

Alderman Klee

Thank you, Mr. Mayor. It's not so much a question it's just I know I often I'm sure other Aldermen get the same thing. People say why do we have these black squiggly lines all over the road? Why don't we just pave it or coat it. So this as you said saves one to three years of life and it's more cost efficient than even just doing a full sealcoating over it?

Mark Saunders, Deputy City Engineer

Yes, correct. So the pavement life and the pavement preservation methodology is you're always trying to reset the life of the pavement. The further it goes down, the more expensive it gets so if you let a road completely fail, you're going to be in a base rehab which is the most costly treatment. Typically our payment program focuses on the structural improvements. That's the mill and fills of the world. This treatment is typically applied between years five and seven and you'll see all the cracks because if a crack is left untreated water will infiltrate, the freeze/thaw cycle, those cracks become potholes. Potholes deteriorate the road even further and that service life of the road will be less. So this is resetting that curve to bring life back into the road at about one to three years.

Alderman Klee

Thank you. It doesn't look pretty but it's it saves us some money. So thank you.

Chairman Donchess

Anyone else?

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager

Re: Engineer Services for Greeley Park Stone House in the amount not to exceed \$101,300 funded from 81200 Buildings & Improvements/Bond

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE THE ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT WITH WRIGHT-PIERCE OF PORTSMOUTH, NH, IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$101,300 FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS FOR RENOVATIONS AND REPAIRS TO THE GREELEY PARK STONE HOUSE. FUNDING THROUGH DEPARTMENT: 160 ENGINEERING; SOURCE FUND: 81200 BUILDINGS & IMPROVEMENTS/BOND

ON THE QUESTION

Mark Saunders, Deputy City Engineer

Good evening. So this amendment with Wright-Pierce is for engineering services to design and develop documents for bidding to repair, restore, and renovate the Stone House at Greeley Park. The Stone House was built in 1911 and has been a significant historical structure in the city. The repairs, restoration, renovations included are going to be the roofing system, the bathrooms, windows, doors, HVAC, plumbing, and the electrical systems. This effort will bring the structure up to the latest building codes and ADA standards and will align with the historical preservation per the Department of the Interior. I'm happy to answer any questions.

Alderman Gouveia

Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Just a quick question for me. Was this put open for bid or was this a sole source?

Mark Saunders, Deputy City Engineer

This is engineering services so we directly service.

Alderman Gouveia

Oh this was done in house?

Mark Saunders, Deputy City Engineer

Yes.

Alderman Gouveia

Gotcha. Thank you.

Alderman Klee

Thank you again, Mr. Mayor. This is in my Ward and anybody who knows, knows that I have a passion for Greeley Park. I appreciate this. One of the complaints that I've gotten about the building is that it's not ADA. It doesn't support ADA compliance but it was grandfathered in and so on. There has been a lot of complaints about the roof and so on. This is just the design. This is not actually doing the work of fixing that. This is just kind of getting a feel as to what needs to get done. Is that correct?

Mark Saunders, Deputy City Engineer

Correct. This isn't a feel this will be what we're bringing forward for this building. The roof is the main cost of this. That's probably in the realm of \$300,000 to \$400,000.

In addition to that, we have worked with the Parks Department and Superintendent Conant to further expand on that and part of that is the bathrooms are not ADA compliant, as well as the fountain with the wolf head. There's some change in levels so we're looking to level all that out as well. This is for the design process to bring a complete package to go to bid to completely bring up the structure to building code and ADA standards.

Alderman Klee

Thank you.

Chairman Donchess

All right. Any questions, comments in addition?

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager

Re: FY24 purchase of polymer in the amount of \$730,000 funded from 61156 Chemicals/General Fund

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE THE FY24 PURCHASE OF POLYMER FROM POLYDYNE OF RICEBORO, GA, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$730,000. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH: DEPARTMENT: 169 WASTEWATER; FUND: 61156 CHEMICALS/GENERAL FUND

David Boucher, Superintendent Wastewater

Thank you. This is for the annual purchase of Polymer at the wastewater plant. It's a product we use to aid in the drying and thickening of our sludge. Periodically, we have different companies come in and test their products against our sludge facility. So far Polydyne has produced the best product for us at a reasonable price. I'd like to continue using them. I'd be happy to answer any questions.

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager

Re: Animal Impoundment and Quarantine Services in the amount of \$99,081 funded from 56214 Humane Society - Animal Control/General Fund

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF THE HUMANE SOCIETY CONTRACT FOR FY24 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$99,081. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH: DEPARTMENT: 171 PUBLIC HEALTH; FUND: 56214 HUMANE SOCIETY – ANIMAL CONTROL/GENERAL FUND

ON THE QUESTION

Bobbie Bagley, Chief Public Health Officer

Good evening. Thank you. This is the annual renewal of the Humane Society's contract that provides services for empowerment and quarantine for animals in the City of Nashua. The Humane Society has been providing these services for a number of years for the City of Nashua. According to some of the data that they have provided to us about on average, they will take about 127 - 25 to 27 animals per month. So far from the data that we have from 2022 in the first seven months, they did have services provided to 447 animals and majority of those being dogs and cats. They have had services provided for guinea pigs, rabbits, ducks, turtles, hamsters, and gerbils with the majority of those animals being adopted or returned. Just about a quarter of that number - actually really smaller than that - less than 10% of that number has been euthanized. So they do a really good job of making sure animals are either adopted or returned to their original owners.

We've only had one chicken that has been service so far and unfortunately, that chicken was euthanized and probably needed to be. They do provide other services in support of emergency management services. They will pick up and take in animals if needed be. So this contract we're hoping that you will continue to approve and fund the services provided by the Humane Society. I'll take any questions.

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager

Re: Change Orders 4 and 5 for the Jackson Mills hydroelectric project in the amount of \$124,485 funded from 81700 Infrastructure Improvements/Bond

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDERS 4 AND 5 FOR THE JACKSON MILLS HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$124,485. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH: DEPARTMENT: 170 HYDROELECTRIC OPERATIONS; FUND: 81700 INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS/BOND

ON THE QUESTIONDeb Chisholm, Sustainability Manager

Hi, good evening. These two change orders are with the company Mavel. They are the ones that have fabricated the new turbine for the Jackson Mills turbine replacement project. If you haven't been by margaritas lately is ongoing but the water right now is a little on the high side so we haven't gotten to the exciting part yet. Meanwhile, the turbine is being stored at the Marvel facility in the Czech Republic. This change order is for additional storage. The original date for install of this project was summer of 2021. So now this is the second time I've been in front of you asking for a change order for storage of the equipment and an additional year extending the warranty for an additional year. So the warranty on all the equipment will now run through the end of January of 2026.

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager
 Re: Professional Consulting Services for Assessing in the amount of \$444,900 funded from 53452 Staffing Services/General Fund

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE A MULTIYEAR CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES WITH VISION GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$444,900 (APPROXIMATELY \$95,000 ANNUALLY). FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH: DEPARTMENT: 132 ASSESSING; FUND: 53452 STAFFING SERVICES/GENERAL FUND

ON THE QUESTIONJennifer Zins, Assessing Manager

Good evening. This is in regards to the consulting services given the fact that we in the Assessing Department do not currently have an assessing supervisor that's DRA certified. This is what we're trying to get a contract approved for is to have Vision step in and act as our assessor supervisor and continue with the consulting that we've been receiving during the revaluation as well. They will act on abatements and sign off. We will still be in the Assessing Department still be doing our own role but then they will be the signing off.

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager
 Re: Contract for Statistical Update Revaluation in the amount of \$430,000 funded from 89726/CERF

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE A MULTIYEAR CONTRACT FOR STATISTICAL UPDATE REVALUATION WITH VISION GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$430,000. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH: DEPARTMENT: 132 ASSESSING; FUND: 89726/CERF

ON THE QUESTIONJennifer Zins, Assessing Manager

Again, this is through Vision as well. This is a different contract. This one is statistical. A lot of the communities in the State of New Hampshire they don't wait for the five year reval. period. They are tending to find given the market where it's been so up and down, it puts a little bit of an ease on the residents so therefore, we recommend that we would do like a two year statistical. We also have the caveat that if that given two year that we fail that we don't necessarily need it, we can carry it over for the next year. It's a three cycle statistical and it's a multi-year contract. Again, that's through Vision.

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager
 Re: Amendment #1 for Engineering Services in the amount of \$80,500 funded from 55699 Other Contracted Services

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE AMENDMENT #1 FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE ELM STREET AND HIGH STREET PARKING GARAGES WITH THORNTON TOMASETTI, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$80,500. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH: DEPARTMENT: 166 PARKING; FUND: 55699 OTHER CONTRACTED SERVICES

ON THE QUESTIONTim Cummings, Administrative Services Director

Yes thank you Mayor through you to the Finance Committee. What you have before you is an amendment to an existing contract for design services to repair and rehabilitate both the High and Elm Street parking garages. The initial contract was only to bring design up to 50% design. This is an amendment to bring it to 100% design so there could be full construction documents to put out to bid for construction. If and when we do that, we want to be in a place to be able to have a good understanding of the cost that it would take to go under construction. This is something that unfortunately Jill Stansfield would have been here this evening to present this tonight but she sent her regrets and she asked me to come in her stead.

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager

Re: Amendment for Professional Engineering Services for Final Design Services of the Nashua Downtown Riverfront Implementation Project in the amount of \$53,860 funded from 53107 Architect & Engineering Services/Riverfront TIF Fund

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR UPDATES TO THE COTTON MILL ADA RAMP PROJECT TO MEET FEDERAL FUNDING REGULATIONS AS WELL AS THE PINE STREET PEDESTRIAN CROSSING FINAL DESIGN SERVICES WITH VANASSE HANGEN BRUSTLIN (VHB) INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$53,860. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH: DEPARTMENT: 183 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; FUND: 53107 ARCHITECT & ENGINEERING SERVICES/RIVERFRONT TIF FUND

ON THE QUESTIONAmy DeRoche, Economic Development Project Manager

This is an amendment to VHB's current final design contract for the riverfront. It was to allow us to accept the \$300,000 that we received in federal funds for the ADA ramp. This work has been completed as far as allowing us to accept the federal funds so it had to be done in conjunction and now they're working on the Pine Street mid-block crossing as part of the final design.

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager

Re: Amendment for Professional Engineering Services for Environmental Permitting of the Nashua Downtown Riverfront Implementation Project in the amount of \$55,600 funded from 53107 Architect & Engineering Services/Riverfront TIF Fund

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE AND PLACE ON FILE AN AMENDMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING OF THE NASHUA DOWNTOWN RIVERFRONT IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT WITH VANASSE HANGEN BRUSTLIN (VHB) INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$55,600. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH: DEPARTMENT: 183 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; FUND: 53107 ARCHITECT & ENGINEERING SERVICES/RIVERFRONT TIF FUND

ON THE QUESTIONAmy DeRoche, Economic Development Project Manager

This is an amendment to VHB's riverfront permitting contract. This will cover soil pre-characterization testing and management for the construction of the ADA ramp which is currently out to bid. It will also cover a new wetland permit for a new segment of the boardwalk that has been adjusted to be further over the cove on the northwest quadrant to make it more ADA accessible.

Alderman Klee

Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Ms. DeRoche thank you so much. I just recently took a walk down that way and I was glad to hear that we're doing that because following the line of the bank was - I was looking at it going oh this is going to be very, very hard especially if you had to do a 90 degree turn there. So I think it does - I think it will look very nice as well so

thank you.

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager

Re: Purchase of ammunition in the amount of \$76,079.00 funded from 61121 Ammunition & Supplies/General Fund

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF AMMUNITION FROM EAGLE POINT GUN/T.J. MORRIS & SONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$76,079. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH: DEPARTMENT: 150 POLICE; FUND: 61121 AMMUNITION & SUPPLIES/GENERAL FUND

ON THE QUESTION

Dave Elliott, Patrolman

So traditionally our ammunition for the yearly supply was purchased through a State contact. That contract was through Eagle Point otherwise known as T.J. Morris & Sons. Recently this year, that contract expired. We went out to bid. We had four companies respond. After looking at the weight criteria and the cost, Eagle Point/T.J. Morris & Sons was the only company that could meet the needs of the department and also did so at a much more affordable price. So that's why we're recommending T.J. Morris/Eagle Point for this yearly purchase.

MOTION CARRIED

From: Amy Girard, Purchasing Manager

Re: Purchase of Bulletproof Vests in the amount not to exceed \$71,142.50 funded from 61110 Protective Clothing/BVP Grant

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF BULTET PROOF VESTS WITH ATLANTIC TACTICAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$71,142.50. FUNDING WILL BE THROUGH: DEPARTMENT: 150 POLICE; FUND: 61110 PROTECTIVE CLOTHING/BVP GRANT

ON THE QUESTION

Dave Elliott, Patrolman

The funds we're requesting here are to replace the body armor of 50 officers whose armor is due to expire. It does expire after five years. In addition, we're asking for 15 additional pieces of body armor and that would be for anticipated new hires for a total of 65 sets of body armor.

MOTION CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

TABLED IN COMMITTEE - None

NEW BUSINESS – RESOLUTIONS - None

NEW BUSINESS – ORDINANCES – None

RECORD OF EXPENDITURES

MOTION BY ALDERMAN KLEE THAT THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HAS COMPLIED WITH THE CITY CHARTER AND ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO THE RECORDS OF EXPENDITURES FOR THE PERIOD JUNE 30, 2023 TO JULY 13, 2023

MOTION CARRIED

GENERAL DISCUSSION - None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Laurie Ortolano

Laurie Ortolano, 41 Berkeley Street. I'm hoping I might be able to get some answers tonight. I'm trying to understand when a contract is necessary when we hire somebody, particularly the hiring of Neil Cannon to do some professional contract work for economic development. I addressed this with the Board of Aldermen and I showed you that invoices were submitted for three months - December, January and February with no detail provided and these were given out as non PO invoices I discovered. I don't think it's correct or proper that a citizen can't tell what a contractor is doing because there's no proposal, nothing in writing, or no information of what they're up to. I had to file a Right to Know to get the emails to try and find out what they were doing because the city wouldn't answer basic questions to allow me to have it. When I got the response, there were I'm guessing 150 emails. They batched out one batch of them. Mr. Cannon is doing primarily work for the Performing Arts Center. I don't know why that's not billed to the Performing Arts Center and why it's coming through economic development contracts.

But I'm also extremely concerned about the records provided. It took a month to get them and the records were heavily redacted. 78 pages with probably 500 redactions. We have battled this redaction issue citizens against the city for three years and in particular, against this new Right to Know Administrator. Every one of these redactions was wrong. It went back into legal and they unredacted these documents completely. These documents are now - they took Mr. Cannon's name off and they required no redactions. So I hear leaders in the city like you Mr. Mayor complaining to the public that citizens are wasting so much money when we ask for emails and redactions take so much time. You're breaking the law when you redact and one classic example is this one. Here's a page of redactions heavily redacted. What's redacted is the address of a for profit sign company - business address. What the Right to Know Administrator put on that was that the address of the company at 125 Front Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut, was redacted as confidential commercial or financial information pursuant to RSA 91:A IV. That is 100% incorrect.

Alderman Klee

One minute.

Laurie Ortolano

And after the court order from the court on July 7th after the court order issued by Judge Temple, I wrote to Russ Hilliard that you've hired to represent these cases and said I've had it. I've had it with what you're doing wasting our money and running us around. He contacted the legal office to take a look and all of these redactions were wrong. Every one of them and we waited a month for those records. Didn't even need it. So, you know, I want to know why we hired Mr. Cannon. I think citizens ought to know how our money is being spent and I'd like answers on why these non PO contracts are being awarded. \$15,000 has been paid. It's like he's getting a backdoor payment of \$5,000 a month and these emails show that he continues to do work in March, April and May. I couldn't even ask the city when his contract ends. They wouldn't answer that. They said we're not going to answer that. Is that more Right to Knows I have to file?

Alderman Klee

Time is up.

Laurie Ortolano

So I think I'm owed some answers instead of filing Right to Knows.

REMARKS BY THE ALDERMEN - None

ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION BY ALDERMAN CLEMONS TO ADJOURN
MOTION CARRIED**

The Finance Committee meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Alderman Patricia Klee
Committee Clerk Pro Tem