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Jacksonville Environmental Protection Board

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Funding Request – EQD Marine Vessel**Meeting Summary****MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Lucinda Sonnenberg, Ph.D., Chair
Thomas Deck
Caleena Shirley

David Wood
Bobby Baker, P.E. (via phone)
Edmund Clark, M.D.

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Amy Fu, P.E., Vice Chair
Roi Dagan, M.D.

STAFF/RESOURCES PRESENT:

James Richardson, JEPB Administrator
Melissa Long, EQD Chief
Cherry Pollock, OGC

Tree Kilbourn, EQD Enforcement
Terry Carr, EQD Water Branch

VISITOR(s) PRESENT:

Clint Noble, CDM Smith

Call to Order

Chair Sonnenberg called the Public Hearing of the Environmental Protection Board (EPB) to order at 5:40 p.m.

Chair Statement

Chair Sonnenberg read a statement which provided an outline of how the hearing would proceed: presentation by staff, comments from public, board discussion and clarification, board action and procedural summary.

Certification of Public Notice and Variance information

EPB Administrator James Richardson shared all required public notices appeared in the Daily Record. He then shared that a funding request from the Environmental Quality Division had been received. The request seeks funding in an amount not to exceed \$44,000 for the replacement of "The Little Annie" which is the small boat used in EQD operations. He shared

that the Education & Public Outreach Committee had considered the request and by consensus asked that it be presented to the full board for consideration with their support of the request.

EQD Chief Long shared information regarding the status of the boat and what operations it is used for. She responded to questions of the members regarding where it would be deployed, and the equipment being purchased along with the boat.

Mr. Richardson then shared additional information that had been requested by the committee. There was a need to seek a waiver of Sec 360.602(f) Ord Code due to the fact that the boat would be used in EQD operations. There was a precedence for the board approving the use of funds for EQD operations. They had purchased the larger boat – The Anna McLeod – as well as a Toyota Prius that had been used in Air Branch and EPB operations. Finally, he shared rationale as to why the boat was relevant to items under the purview of the board. It would be used primarily for sampling which would help inform board decisions around water quality and it would also be used in research for board approved studies of the river and tributaries.

Comments from Public

None.

Board Questions/Clarification

Ms. Pollock asked Mr. Baker to clarify if he needed to declare a conflict as he has worked with the vendor who had provided the quote. Mr. Richardson clarified that this action only approves the funding amount and that if approved by Council, the purchase would have to go through the full Procurement process and the vendor may not necessarily be the provider. It was determined that there was no conflict.

Board Vote

A motion was made (Shirley) to approve the requested funding request for the EQD Marine Vessel in an amount not to exceed \$44,000 and to also seek a waiver of Sec. 360.602(f) which was properly seconded (Deck) and approved by the body.

Procedural Summary

Cherry Pollock, OGC, stated that the JEPB had just approved the funding request and that it would now go to MBRC for approval to forward it to City Council.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

James Richardson, EPB Administrator