

APRIL 5, 2022

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF ALBANY, GEORGIA  
GOVT. CTR. – RM. 100 (Virtual and in-person)

PRESENT Mayor Bo Dorough  
Mayor Pro Tem Vilnis Gaines  
Commissioners: Jon Howard, Jalen Johnson, Chad Warbington  
Virtual Attendees: Demetrius Young  
City Attorney: Nathan Davis

Mayor Dorough called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Triquenski Hicks, Legislative Asst., read the call as follows:

Mayor and Board of City Commissioners  
P.O. Box 447  
Albany, Georgia

Dear Mayor and Commissioners:

There will be a Special Called City Commission Meeting (virtual meeting and in person) on Tuesday, April 5, 2022, at 8:30 a.m., in room 100 of the Government Center Building located at 222 Pine Ave., Albany, Georgia. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss and/or approve the following Resolution and Purchases:

1. (Resolution) Approving contract with Hi-Lite Airfield Services, LLC re: Airport Runway Rubber & Paint Removal
2. Hybrid Patrol Cars
3. Tymco Sweeper Trucks
4. Vactor Trucks for Sewer
5. F-150 Trucks for Utilities

Sincerely,

/s/ Steven Carter  
STEVEN CARTER,  
CITY MANAGER

/s/ Bo Dorough  
BO DOROUGH, MAYOR

/s/ Jon Howard  
JON HOWARD, WARD I  
CITY COMMISSIONER

/s/ Jalen Johnson  
JALEN JOHNSON, WARD II  
CITY COMMISSIONER

/s/ Vilnis Gaines  
VILNIS GAINES, WARD III  
MAYOR PRO TEM

Notified via email  
CHAD WARBINGTON, WARD IV  
CITY COMMISSIONER

Notified via email  
BOB LANGSTAFF, JR., WARD V  
CITY COMMISSIONER

/s/ Demetrius Young  
DEMETRIUS YOUNG, WARD VI  
CITY COMMISSIONER

Yvette Fields, Interim Asst. City Manager, discussed the following (copy on file) regarding the request to approve a contract with Hi-Lite Airfield Services, LLC to remove rubber and paint from the runway as required by FAA for a cost of \$104,552.10, which has a time limit. She advised that the funding source is FAA CARES Act Grant.

In reply to Commissioner Howard, Ms. Fields stated that the work must be completed by the end of June.

In reply to Commissioner Young, Ms. Fields explained the process and why this was not locally considered, adding that it was bid twice, with eight vendors solicited. She stated that FAA's

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requirements could have kept people from bidding. Discussion followed regarding the requirements with Mr. Carter explaining that the job requires FAA certifications.

Mayor Dorough commented on contamination and asked if this is from airplane wheels with Mr. Carter agreeing and explaining the process of tire residue, etc., when planes land. Mayor Dorough questioned local preference not being considered with Ms. Fields agreeing stating that this cannot be put into play as explained.

Commissioner Howard moved to adopt the following resolution, seconded by Commissioner Warbington and following a roll call vote, the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Dorough advised that Commissioner Young joined the meeting after the roll call vote with Commissioner Young stating that he was ten minutes before the meeting started, however, he could hear but was not being heard.

A RESOLUTION NO. 22-R118

Approving contract with Hi-Lite Airfield Services, LLC re: Airport Runway Rubber and Paint Removal

Mayor Dorough recognized William Wright to speak to the items. Mr. Wright distributed information (copy on file) and discussed the ‘reckless’ spending of monies on projects, specifically federal monies, adding that having a DBE is required.

Corey Gamble, Buyer 1, discussed the following (copy on file).

1. Hybrid Patrol/Ford Police Interceptors: Wade Ford, Smyrna GA - \$1,143,932.00

Dale Henry, Asset Supervisor, discussed the purchase including equipment/parts, some which is not included (radios, camera systems) that will be on a future agenda for approval and service, etc. Peter Bednar, Director of Fleet explained the warranty.

Commissioner Johnson commented on touring the Fleet Division and commended staff on the job that they do, especially in this time when cars, parts, etc., are hard to find.

In reply to Mayor Pro Tem Gaines, Mr. Bednar explained the process of vendors having stock available for purchase.

In reply to Commissioner Warbington, Mr. Henry explained that tablets in cars are inclusive only if it comes with the vehicle at purchase and if not, they will be purchased and installed before the vehicle is put into the vehicle fleet.

Mayor Dorough commented on Wade Ford’s ability to stock/sell vehicles and the local Ford vendor not having vehicles with Mr. Henry explaining the process, which includes all vehicles being shipped to Wade Ford, etc.

Commissioner Howard moved to approve the purchase, seconded by Commissioner Warbington, the motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Gamble, Mr. Henry and Mr. Bednar discussed the following (copy on file):

2. Tymco Sweeper Trucks: Total Exp. \$654,869.00

Mayor Dorough clarified that a 2014 and 2018 are being replaced with Mr. Henry advising that a 2010 and 2014 are being replaced, stating that the 2018 was involved in an accident, was repaired and is back in service.

Commissioner Howard moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Johnson.

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Commissioner Howard commented on the discontinuation of sweeping in certain areas and asked that sweeping is in all wards on a continuous basis with Mr. Carter stating that it is done continuously. A brief discussion ensued regarding schedules for street sweeping and cleaning catch basins.

Commissioner Warbington stated that this is part of storm water as noted on utility bills and explained that citizens do not connect street sweepers to stormwater, which is vital component of stormwater.

Hearing no additional comments, and following a roll call vote, the motion unanimously carried.

Mayor Dorough stated that the following item is for catch basin cleaning.

3. Vactor Trucks for Sewer: MHC Georgia Kenworth Total Exp. \$1,115,170.00

Mr. Gamble, Henry and Bednar discussed additional information (copy on file).

Commissioner Howard moved to approve the purchase, seconded by Commissioner Warbington and following a roll call vote, the motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Gamble discussed the following (copy on file)

4. F150 Trucks for Utility: Wade Ford, Smyrna GA Total Exp. \$613,707.00

Mr. Henry and Bednar provided additional comments regarding the purchase, cost savings, etc.

Mayor Dorough asked if the trucks have the start/stop feature with Mr. Bednar explaining the technology of the vehicle shutting down, etc. Mayor Dorough explained the need for F150 trucks; however, he asked to look at six cylinders trucks that have the same capacity.

Commissioner Howard moved to approve the purchase, seconded by Commissioner Warbington, and following a roll call vote, the motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Warbington asked if the RAISE grant will be discussed now or if there will be another special meeting. Mr. Carter stated that staff is continuing to move forward with the process and that the decision will need to be made on how to execute the funds, however, he advised that a decision is needed before April 14<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further comments and following a roll call vote, the meeting adjourned at 9:17 a.m.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK