

- 9. Approval of the May 3, 2017 Budget Retreat Minutes.
- 10. Approval of the May 4, 2017 Budget Retreat Minutes.
- 11. Approval of the May 11, 2017 Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

12. Presentation of the final report from the county-wide branding campaign project.

Fayette Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Carlotta Ungaro presented to the Board a PowerPoint presentation regarding the update of the county-wide branding campaign. The county contributed \$25,000 in addition to other municipalities to hire a marketing company, DCI from New York City. Ms. Ungaro shared the process to come up with the brand mark that was selected. The "Create Your Story" logo was available for the county and the municipalities to use as a co-brand on websites and printed materials. There was a style book available on the Chamber's website for the county and municipalities to update logo as desired.

Commissioner Oddo asked what involvement DCI would have from this point forward. Ms. Ungaro stated that they could be hired to possibly run a public relation campaign and they are on hand if needed.

Commissioner Rousseau wanted to know what could be done to address the weaknesses and strengths from the SWAT analysis as it pertains to the "political environment and politics and leadership". Ms. Ungaro stated that this report was completed six months to nine months ago and some of the sentiments may have been derived from the recent "nasty" presidential campaign. She was confident that if the report was done today those issues would not be at the top of the concerns. Commissioner Brown reiterated that it was good to have the municipalities and county speaking in tune with one another.

Vice Chairman Ognio wanted to know how the county would incorporate this brand with the county. He mentioned that the new branding almost look as if it was a logo for the county, but that it left out the history of the county.

County Administrator Steve Rapson stated that the new branding could be incorporated into the new county website design. He stated that in terms of the branding on letterhead and the like would be during later discussions with the Board.

Vice Chairman Ognio asked if staff would work up some ideas to bring before the Board. Mr. Rapson stated that staff would get with the Board in regards to incorporating any changes to the logo.

13. Consideration of staff's recommendation to contract with Southeastern Site Development, Inc. for the construction of the Intersection Improvement Project (#R-5F) connecting Veterans Parkway to SR 92 at Westbridge Road in the amount of \$894,881.21.

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Engineering, Buildings & Grounds Director Carlos Christian briefed the Board that this project would complete the connection of Lees Mill Road to Westbridge Road and Veterans Parkway. There were eight companies that provided competitive bids and Southern Site Development, Inc. was the lower bid. The project time line is approximately nine months from the time of the notice to proceed and there should be no large impact to traffic.

Vice Chairman Ognio moved to approve contract with Southeastern Site Development, Inc. for the construction of the Intersection Improvement Project (#R-5F) connecting Veterans Parkway to SR 92 at Westbridge Road in the amount of \$894,881.21. Commissioner Rousseau seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Eric Imker of Peachtree City made comments regarding the assessment values of the fair market value in the county. He shared with the Board the process that he experienced, his concern of the cost of the procedure and the concern pertaining to who would pay if the citizen does not succeed in court.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:

Address Public Comments

Mr. Rapson addressed the concerns mentioned regarding court cost for assessment appeals. He informed that the process was a state mandated process. He stated that there are certain cost that are mandated and that have to be paid to conduct court affairs no matter the type case being heard. He offered a brief analysis of the number of tax assessment cases heard in Fayette County court.

County Attorney Dennis Davenport stated that since 2013, the county has only had four residential tax bills to reach Superior Court and two of those were either settled or dismissed. He stated that he has handled about a dozen tax appeals in 20 years which is a very nominal amount. He also informed that citizens would not be responsible for the cost if they did not prevail in court. He shared that the Tax Assessors office does a great job handling the assessments.

Selection Committee-Public Facilities Authority

Commissioner Brown moved to appoint Commissioner Rousseau and Commissioner Oddo to the Selection Committee for the Public Facilities Authority. Vice Chairman Ognio seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

Service Delivery Strategy

Mr. Rapson briefed the Board that staff would be submitting a letter for a 120-day extension for the Service Delivery Strategy. The first meeting will be held next week.

Memorial Day

The administrative offices will be closed.

1st Budget Public Hearing

The first public hearing for the fiscal year 2018 budget will be held on Tuesday, June 6 at 7:00 p.m.

ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:

Notice of Executive Session: County Attorney Dennis Davenport stated that there was two items involving pending litigation, five involving real estate acquisition and for the review of the Executive Session minutes for April 25, 2017.

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To:

Steve Rapson

From:

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Date:

May 25, 2017

Subject:

ITB #1297-B: SR 92 at Westbridge Intersection Improvements

The Public Works Department needs a contractor to rebuild the existing intersection on Veterans Parkway, at State Route (SR) 92 and Westbridge Road.

The Purchasing Department issued Invitation to Bid #1297-B for this purpose. The Department emailed notices to 39 companies. Invitations were extended via the Fayette News, the county website, Georgia Local Government Access Marketplace (www.glga.org), Channel 23, and the Greater Georgia Black Chamber of Commerce. An additional 571 vendors were notified through the Internet-based Georgia Procurement Registry, who had registered under the NIPG Codes 91327 (Construction, Highway and Road), and 91350 (Construction, Streets, Major and Residential).

Eight companies submitted proposals (Attachment 1). Public Works recommends the low bidder, Southeastern Site Development, Inc. for the contract. A Contractor Performance Evaluation is attached for previous work they did for the county (Attachment 2).

Funding is available from 2004 SPLOST revenues. Specifics of the proposed contract are as follows:

Contract Name

1297-B: SR 92 Westbridge Construction Improvements

Vendor

Southeastern Site Development, Inc.

Not to Exceed Price

\$894,881.21

Budget:

321	SPLOST County-Wide
32140220	SPLOST Road County-Wide
541210	Other Improvements
	32140220

Project

R-5F

W Fayetteville Bypass, Phase 2

Available Amount

\$894,881.21

Available from the current balance of

\$31,038,054 in the county-wide fund

For the 2004 SPLOST