

Government Performance & Financial Management Committee Meeting Record

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Meeting Date: December 10, 2019

Convened: 1:07 p.m.

Adjourned: 3:03 p.m.

Committee Members Present:

Jennifer S. Gates, Chair
Cara Mendelsohn, Vice Chair
Carolyn King Arnold
Adam Bazaldua
Lee Kleinman
Omar Narvaez
Casey Thomas, II

Committee Members Absent:

N/A

Other Council Members Present:

N/A

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

1. Consideration of the November 5, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): A motion was made to approve the minutes for the November 5, 2019 Government Performance & Financial Management Committee meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by: Cara Mendelsohn

Motion seconded by: Casey Thomas

BRIEFINGS

2. Planning the 2019 Audit

Presenter(s): Dan Barron, Partner, and Natalie Wood, Senior Manager, Grant Thornton

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Dan Barron and Natalie Wood of Grant Thornton, the City's external auditor, presented a briefing of required communications at the outset of their work. Information only.

3. Bond and Disclosure Counsel

Presenter(s): Robert L. Sims, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Senior Assistant City Attorney Robert L. Sims presented a briefing on the City's options in its upcoming engagements with bond and disclosure counsels. The committee raised questions about fostering minority representation in the City's professional services contracting. The City Attorney's Office recommended Option 3 (Amend the Norton Rose Fulbright bond counsel contract to add disclosure counsel task with the firm utilizing a subcontracted minority counsel). A motion was made to move Option 3 forward to full council with a recommendation for approval. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by: Carolyn King Arnold

Motion seconded by: Omar Narvaez

4. Tornado Finance Update Conversation

Presenter(s): Rocky Vaz, Director, Office of Emergency Management

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Rocky Vaz, Director of the Office of Emergency Management, was present to give an update on the North Dallas Tornado recovery. Committee members asked how they can be of service, and urged OEM to consider adding losses from the private schools hit by the tornado. Chairwoman Gates suggested building a citizen-facing website to centralize information about recovery efforts, code enforcement timelines, FEMA reimbursements, tax implications, and other information that may aid citizens in their recovery efforts. Information only.

5. Reviewing the City's Annual Budget Document

Presenter(s): Jack Ireland, Director, and Janette Weedon, Assistant Director, Office of Budget

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Jack Ireland and Janette Weedon presented a briefing on proposed changes to the budget document, demonstrated the updated user interface on the Financial Transparency website, and solicited feedback from the committee. Committee members asked for earlier budget information, more diverse methods of community outreach and communication, and a reinvigorated sunset review process. Information only.

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6. Dallas Water Utilities (DWU) Commercial Paper Program, Series D Extension

Presenter(s): N/A

Information Only: X

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): N/A

7. End of Year Budget Accountability Report

Presenter(s): N/A

Information Only: X

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): N/A

8. September 30, 2019 Quarterly Investment Report

Presenter(s): N/A

Information Only: X

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): N/A

9. Procurement of Debt Underwriting Services

Presenter(s): N/A

Information Only: X

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): N/A

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APPROVED BY:

ATTESTED BY:

**Jennifer S. Gates, Chair
Government Performance & Financial
Management Committee**

**Anne Lockyer, Coordinator
Government Performance & Financial
Management Committee**