



# Port of Brownsville

Study Session Meeting

15 January 2014

## CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Jack Bailey called the study session meeting to order at 6:00 PM. In attendance were Commissioner Bob Kalmbach, Commissioner Fred Perkins, Port Manager Jerry Rowland and Assistant Port Manager Gregg Faulkner.

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Bob Kalmbach made a motion to approve agenda. Motion seconded by Fred Perkins and approved unanimously.

## REVIEW C, D & E DOCK REMOVAL AND INSTALLATION BIDS

Jerry Rowland stated there was only one bid to review. He covered the bid criteria: the initial bid would be awarded on price only, and then an engineering review would be accomplished. Increases in price would be evaluated by the Port and the bidder would not be penalized. Since there is only one bid there will be no engineering review, only a review of the bid package to ensure it is a complete package.

Jerry Rowland opened the bid package received. It was from Thompson Pile Driving. He reviewed the package for content and to ensure it was complete. Bid form was complete and bid bond is in place. Total cost of the bid is \$320,000.00. The breakdown is E Dock - \$102,000.00, C Dock - \$128,000.00, and D Dock - \$90,000.00. At this point Jerry passed the bid package to the commissioners for review. Fred Perkins asked if this bid was within the budget. Jerry replied that the engineering estimate was \$350,000.00 so this bid is within that amount which was put into the budget. Jerry announced that the owner of Thompson Pile Driving, Paul Fritz, was in the audience and the commissioners could ask him questions if needed.

Jack Bailey asked Paul Fritz if he was going to have to leave the job at any time since this was the busy time of year for pile driving. Paul Fritz replied that the only time he would have to leave the job was during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebrations since he supplied the barges for that occasion. Otherwise, he was dedicated to this project. Jack Bailey asked how big the barge was that would be using for this job, adding that he was concerned the barge would maneuver well within the marina. Paul Fritz said it would be the same one that has been used in the past in this marina and is 110 feet by 34 feet. Jerry Rowland stated it maneuvers well in the marina between docks. Paul said that he may add a barge during the work but it would not be a problem with being used in the marina. Jim Guy of Northwest Docks said he would be working with Thompson Pile Driving to make sure there are no problems. Jack Bailey asked if Paul Fritz would be using a bubble curtain. Paul replied that a bubble curtain is not required for the vibration method which is what he plans on using. Paul stated he would work with the marina to minimize the impact to the boat traffic and mooring.

Jack Bailey asked if this bid included tax. Jerry Rowland replied it did not include tax.



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Fred Perkins made a motion to enter into a contract with Thompson Pile Driving to remove and install C, D, and E Docks. Motion seconded by Bob Kalmbach and motion passed unanimously.

## **CLOSE MEETING / ADJOURN**

Commissioner Fred Perkins made a motion to adjourn, Commissioner Bob Kalmbach seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

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President/Commissioner

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Secretary/Commissioner

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Recording Secretary