

**MIAMI-DADE EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY (MDX)**

**BOARD MEETING**  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2013  
4:00 PM

**WILLIAM M. LEHMAN MDX BUILDING**  
**3790 NW 21<sup>ST</sup> STREET**  
**MIAMI, FLORIDA 33142**

**Members Present:**

Maurice A. Ferré, Chair  
Maritza Gutierrez, Vice Chair  
Carlos R. Fernandez-Guzman, Treasurer  
Gus Pego, P. E., District VI Secretary  
Alfredo L. Gonzalez, Esq.  
Jose M. Hevia  
Rick Rodriguez Piña  
Gonzalo Sanabria  
Shelly Smith Fano  
Luz Weinberg

**Members Absent:**

Robert W. Holland, Esq.  
Felix Lasarte, Esq.  
Louis V. Martinez, Esq.

**Staff:**

Javier Rodriguez, Executive Director  
Marie Schafer, Chief Financial Officer  
Alfred Lurigados, Director of Engineering  
Helen Cordero, Manager of Procurement and Contracts Administration  
Maria Luisa Navia Lobo, Board Secretary

**Consultants:**

Legal: Richard Weiss, WSH  
Matthew Pearl, WSH  
Transportation: Albert Sosa, HNTB (GEC-A)  
Reynaldo Cortez, EAC Consultants (GEC-B)  
Tere Garcia, Bermello Ajamil (GEC-A)  
Finance: Randy Topel, First Southwest Co.

### **CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

Chair Ferré called the meeting to order. Ms. Navia Lobo called the roll and announced a quorum of the MDX Board was present.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Ferré asked Mr. Lurigados to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **DECLARATIONS OF VOTING CONFLICTS**

As customary, Mr. Weiss asked if Members present had any voting conflicts to declare in regards to the agenda. Mr. Rodriguez Pina declared a conflict with Regular Agenda item IX. C “ *MDX Procurement Contract No.: RFP- 14-01, Road Ranger Service Patrol for the MDX System*”

Mr. Ferre requested the Executive Director’s Contract extension, which was discussed at the Executive Committee that preceded the Board meeting be included as an action item on the agenda. Ms. Gutierrez, Chair of the Executive Committee moved to include the action item as part of the agenda. Ms. Smith Fano seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **CITIZEN COMMENT**

There were no citizen comment requests this month.

### **APPROVAL OF SUMMARY MINUTES**

- Board Meeting of October 1, 2013

Mr. Ferré referred to the summary minutes corresponding to the October 1 2013 meeting. Ms. Gutierrez moved to approve the summary minutes. Ms. Smith Fano seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

Mr. Rodriguez reported on the following items of interest since the last meeting:

- Deputy Executive Director/Director of Engineering Lurigados has accepted a job at Florida East Coast Industries, Mr. Lurigados has worked at MDX since 2004 and wished him success in his new endeavor.
- Mr. Toledo, Assistant Deputy Director of Engineering will be stepping up to the position of Deputy Executive Director/Director of Engineering.
- Mr. Mario Diaz will now assume the position of Public Information Manager.
- The General Counsel position is open until filled. Several interviews have been conducted and one more is pending. Mr. Weiss and his firm have done an exceptional job and tremendous help to the Authority. He further stated that Mr. Weiss’s time has been pro-bono.
- SR.874 widening from the Palmetto to Kendall Drive is 90% complete.
- Central Blvd. Project is 90% complete, in the last phase of construction and traffic is flowing

smoothly out of the Airport.

- Centralized Customer Service System (CCSS), the Invitation to Negotiate (ITN) was release November 1, 2013. The designated procurement office for the project is Florida's Turnpike. The four toll agencies in Florida have joined to put the procurement out. Ms. Schafer and Mr. Andriuk are part of the Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC) for the ITN.
- A Joint Budget & Finance and Operations Committee meeting has been scheduled for November 19 to discuss three important topics;
  - MDX Work Program and Financing plan for FY 2015
  - Update on the in-lane ORT (ILORT)
  - Miami Intermodal Center (MIC) transfer agreement with FDOT and draft business plan.

Mr. Sanabria requested an update on the SR 874 improvements at the Killian Interchange, traffic flow and traffic incidents. Mr. Rodriguez informed members that traffic incidents have gone down and an analysis will be presented at the next operations Committee meeting.

### **GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT**

Mr. Weiss informed members there is no report this month.

### **MPO REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

Mr. Ferré informed members the MPO Board has not met.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Ms. Schafer reported overall revenues for the three-month period was \$35.1 million, above the forecast by \$3.2 million, this is mainly due to the toll and fee revenue, customer coming out of the court system are going back into the billing cycle. Traffic is up by 2.5%. Expenses for the three-month period were \$11 million and Interest Expense was \$15 million, for a total expense of \$26.2 million, in line with the budget.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Operations Committee Meeting, 10/22/13

Inter-Governmental & Public Communications, 10/22/13

Committee reports were waived

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

A) Travel Approval

- November 6, 2013 Trip to Tampa, Florida by Chair Ferré to attend the 2013 Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) Annual Transportation Achievement Award

The Consent agenda was unanimously approved.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

A) A Florida International University (FIU) and MDX Partnership to Evaluate and Implement Advanced Engineering Solutions for Transit, ITS and Bridge Structures (\$500,000)

○ Approval of Agreement between MDX and FIU

○ Approval of Delegation of authority to the Executive Director to negotiate final terms and conditions of the Agreement

Mr. Lurigados introduced the item and explained that back in 2009 MDX and FIU entered into a similar agreement with the Lehman Transportation Center. That agreement has since expired. During recent discussions between FIU and MDX staff, FIU had submitted an application for a FY 2013 TIGER Discretionary Grant to address transportation mobility and safety issues facing Miami-Dade County. Recently, FIU was awarded the \$11,397,120 grant. By entering into this Agreement, MDX will benefit by receiving advanced information technology platforms, intelligent transportation systems, and smartphone-based software that will enable it to implement an Informed Traveler Program and Applications (ITPA) that will provide significant benefits to the traveling public. All work will be performed by the Lehman Center for Transportation.

The MDX/FIU Partnership will allow MDX, together with a renowned local institution of higher learning, to assist in the evaluation and implementation of many other studies such as concrete pavement solutions, asphalt solutions, bridge studies, among others. Total contract amount shall not to exceed \$500,000 and will be authorized through the issuance of task authorizations. This item was endorsed by the Operations Committee on October 22, 2013.

Mr. Sanabria moved to approve the agreement between MDX and FIU and delegation of authority to the Executive Director to negotiate the final terms and conditions of the agreement. Ms. Gutierrez seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

B) MDX Procurement/Contract Number RFP-10-02; MDX Work Program No. 11211.030; Design-Build Services for Central Boulevard Reconstruction (\$669,049.69)

● Approval of Supplemental Agreement No. 5 with Community Asphalt Corporation

○ Approval of Amendment No. 2 to the MDX/MDC Central Boulevard Interlocal Agreement

Mr. Lurigados read the action item for the record. This item was endorsed by the Operations Committee on October 22, 2013. He informed members that Miami-Dade Aviation Department (MDAD) has identified additional scope necessary for the proper completion of the Central Boulevard Project:

- The installation of a new twelve inch (12”) water main to replace the existing water main on the proposed North Service Road, which will eliminate impacts with the construction of the roadway; and
- The installation of an additional repeater station for solar powered taxi signs on LeJeune Road (near State Road 112), to notify taxi drivers of the availability of the taxi lot.

He further stated the County agreed to fund the entire cost of the additional scope totaling \$658,000.00 for the water main project; and \$8,165.99 for increased capacity for the repeater station for the solar powered taxi signs, for a total estimated cost of \$666,165.99. Mr. Rodriguez informed members that the action item is the endorsement of Supplemental Agreement No. 5 with

the design build firm to include the additional scope, and Amendment No. 2 to the Interlocal Agreement with the County to allocate the funds.

Ms. Gutierrez moved to approve Amendment No. 2 with Miami-Dade County and Supplemental no. 5 with Community Asphalt corresponding to Central Blvd. reconstruction project. Mr. Hevia seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

C) MDX Procurement/Contract No.: RFQ-14-01 Advertising Services

- Approval of Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC)'s of the Number One Ranked Firm – Machado Garcia-Serra (MGS), LLC.

Ms. Cordero read the agenda item for the record and informed members that due to lack of quorum at the Inter-Governmental & Public Communications Committee, the item was forwarded by the Committee without an endorsement.

Ms. Cordero informed members a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) soliciting qualified firms to provide Advertising Services was released on August 19, 2013. On September 13, 2013, four Proposals were received from the following firms:

- Diaz & Cooper Advertising, Inc.
- Infinite Source Communication Group, LLC
- Machado Garcia-Serra LLC
- Ronin Advertising Group

Staff performed compliance review of the Proposals and found all four Proposals responsive to the requirements of the RFQ. On October 10, 2013, Ronin Advertising Group withdrew its Proposal from the Evaluation Process.

On October 22, 2013, the Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC) met to discuss, evaluate, and score the Technical Proposals. In order to move forward to the next phase of the Evaluation Process, Oral Presentations/Interviews, proposers must have received a minimum averaged score of 80 points out of a total maximum of 100 points.

The Oral Presentations/Interviews took place after the regular agenda items of the Committee meeting on October 22, 2013. Each Proposer was allotted 30 minutes for presentation and 15 minutes question and answer period. The TEC scored the Presentations and recommend to the Committee to select the number one ranked Proposer, Machado Garcia-Serra, LLC.

The contract includes a fifteen percent (15%) Small Business Participation Requirement and a fifteen percent (15%) Local Business Participation Requirement. The term of the contract will be for three (3) years, with a two (2) year option to renew.

Ms. Gutierrez asked if there was a contract cap, Ms. Cordero clarified that once the Authority enters into contract with Machado Garcia-Serra, LLC. a cap can be established. Ms. Cordero entertained questions from members.

Mr. Pego moved to accept the TEC recommendation of the Number One Ranked Firm – Machado Garcia-Serra, LLC. Ms. Smith Fano seconded the motion. Mr. Rodriguez Pina abstained. The Motion was unanimously approved.

D) MDX Procurement Contract No.: RFP- 14-01, Road Ranger Service Patrol for the MDX System

- Approval of Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC)'s recommendation for final selection and contract award to Ted & Stan's Towing Services, Inc.

Ms. Cordero read the agenda item for the record and explained that the current contract for Road Ranger Services will expire on December 30, 2013. Therefore, in the essence of time to avoid or minimize interruption of the services, staff is bringing this item for consideration directly to the Board without the usual endorsement of the Operations Committee. Ms. Cordero informed members that on September 19, 2013, MDX released a Request for Proposals (RFP) soliciting qualified firms to provide Road Ranger Service Patrol for the MDX System. A mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference was held on October 2, 2013 and five prospective proposers were in attendance. She further informed members that on October 22, 2013, one Technical and Price Proposal was received in response to the RFP from Ted & Stan's Towing Services, Inc.

Staff contacted the other four firms that attended the mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference and inquired why they did not submit a Proposal. The non-respondents believed that the Engineer's Estimate for the Contract was too low and they made a business decision not to pursue it.

Staff performed compliance review of the sole Proposal received and was found to be responsive to the requirements of the RFP. The Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC) met on November 5, 2013, to evaluate, discuss, and score the Technical Proposal. Subsequent to the scoring of the Technical Proposal and confirming the required minimum score, at the same TEC meeting the Price Proposal was opened. The Price Proposal submitted by Ted & Stan is for \$7,002,450, excluding fuel indexing. The Price Proposal is within the Engineer's Estimate of \$7,005,000. Staff has budgeted separately \$245,000 for fuel indexing to be paid to the Contractor pursuant to the established formula as may be applicable. The Price Proposal amount will be the not-to-exceed Contract Amount, plus fuel indexing, for the level of service required in the Scope of Services. The term of the Contract is for 3 ½ years with three optional one-year renewals.

The TEC forwarded a recommendation to the MDX Board to select Ted & Stan's Towing Services, Inc. Mr. Rodriguez and Ms. Cordero entertained questions from members.

Mr. Hevia Moved to approve the TEC recommendation of contract award to Ted & Stan's towing Services, Inc. Ms. Weinberg seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

E) Executive Director's Contract Extension.

Ms. Gutierrez informed members that the Executive Committee voted to exercise the right that is in the existing contract with the Executive Director to extend the term for five-years with two additional five-year terms.

Ms. Gutierrez moved to approve the contract extension. Ms. Smith Fano seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Gutierrez requested to reconsider Regular Agenda item IX. C – RFQ 14-01 – Advertising Services. Ms. Smith Fano seconded the motion. Ms. Gutierrez expressed concern regarding the contract cap and directed staff to set a contract cap over the life of the contract during negotiations. Mr. Rodriguez Pina abstained. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- Procurement Report

The Informational item is included in the agenda package for Board members' information.

### **CHAIR'S COMMENTS**

Mr. Ferré encouraged Members to attend the November 19, 2013 Joint Budget & Finance and Operations Committee Meeting and the December 10, 2013 Board of Directors meeting. He requested the meeting time for the December 10 Board Meeting be moved to 2:00 p.m.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Policy & Planning Committee Meeting, 11/15/13, 10:00 a.m., William M. Lehman MDX Building
- Joint Budget & Finance and Operations Committee Meeting, 11/19/13, 10:30 a.m., William M. Lehman MDX Building
- Board of Directors Meeting, 12/10/13, 4:00 p.m., William M. Lehman MDX Building

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Ferré.

Summary Minutes prepared by Maria Luisa Navia Lobo, Board Secretary.