

**CITY OF ALAMOGORDO, NEW MEXICO
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
6:30 PM, DONALD E. CARROLL COMMISSION CHAMBERS
August 26, 2025**

**SUSAN PAYNE, MAYOR
SHARON MCDONALD, MAYOR PRO-TEM
CRYSTAL GUTHRIE, COMMISSIONER
STEPHEN BURNETT, COMMISSIONER
WARREN ROBINSON, COMMISSIONER**

**JOSHUA RARDIN, COMMISSIONER
MARK TAPLEY, COMMISSIONER
STEPHANIE HERNANDEZ, ACTING CITY
MANAGER
DARREL MORI, CITY ATTORNEY
RACHEL HUGHS, CITY CLERK**

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Payne called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM. Roll Call was taken by the Deputy City Clerk. Deputy City Clerk Aleshire announced there was a quorum present.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Invocation was given by Pastor Bill Heithold from Trinity Lutheran Church, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Rardin.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Mayor Pro-Tem McDonald moved to approve.
Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion.
Motion Passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 0.**

PRESENTATIONS

1. City of Alamogordo Water Master Plan Update. (*Justen Boyle, Senior Project Manager/ David Nunnelley, Utilities Director/ Samantha Kufrin, Engineer, CDM Smith*)

Utilities Director Nunnelley said the city has not had a true comprehensive Water Master Plan since the 1970's. Since then, the city has grown, infrastructure has aged, and we continue making decisions without a roadmap. This would provide that roadmap. This is built on a hydraulic water model showing our system, how it performs, and where improvements are needed. It will also be needed for our upcoming ISO plan for Fire. We now own the model and can run it anytime we need in-house by incorporating it into our ESRI GIS database. I have been working with Mrs. Kufrin and CDM Smith for two years on this system and testing it out in the field to ensure its accuracy.

Mrs. Kufrin gave the presentation on the Water Master Plan Update.

High Static Pressures in Zones 2 and 3 (Slide 30)

Commissioner Rardin asked if the cost of the City requiring individual pressure relief valves (PRVs) would be incurred by the resident or the City. Mrs. Kufrin said the cost is typically incurred by the resident. The city would typically have a third-party plumber on hand, but there are a few different ways the city may choose to handle that. Commissioner Rardin said these are primarily in the older areas of town, in the center of town. Utilities Director Nunnelley said yes, it is by design. If we were to go in and change it, it would cost the City millions of dollars to either put in PRVs and/or create dead-end zones all over. Right now, for customers with an exceedance which causes problems their irrigation systems, we recommend putting in an inline PRV. They are fairly inexpensive, but that can depend on whether you do it yourself or have a plumber. Commissioner Rardin said this would affect a good number of residents in that section of town. Utilities Director Nunnelley said part of the reason we have the model is to ensure new areas do not have exceedances. There have been areas where a PRV should have been put in before that ever happened. At the time, we did not have a model to say yes, you could do it. Commissioner Rardin asked what the expense would be for residents forced to put PRVs in. Mrs. Kufrin said it is relatively inexpensive. This recommendation we are requiring is pretty standard among neighboring communities. I would say no more than \$1,000 per house, depending on if they are using a plumber or doing it themselves. They are typically \$300 to \$500. Commissioner Rardin asked if there were other ways to cure the problem other than forcing the residents to do it. Could the City figure out a way to do this? Mrs. Kufrin said the problem is elevation-driven. This is a low point in the system; that zone covers so much of an area. If you are going to demarcate the zone and alleviate those higher pressures, you are talking millions of dollars with potential risks. You would be creating dead ends that cause water age issues. The City's gain would

pale in comparison to the cost and associated risk in creating a mini-zone. Also, for them, high pressure may not always be an issue. It can depend. Pressure goes down from the distribution to the plumbing. Commissioner Rardin asked if it would be at the customer's discretion. Mrs. Kurfrin said yes.

Non-CIP Recommendations (Slide 38)

Commissioner Robinson asked where the City lost the most water. Utilities Director Nunnelley said the primary cause is aging infrastructure. We have many old steel lines in the ground for over seventy years. We also lose a lot through meters. The AWA recommends we replace meters on a twelve-year cycle; it has been eleven years since we replaced them in 2014. The mechanics in the meter start to break down, and we start recording less or more, but we still have the same amount of water going out. We get inaccurate data that way. Mrs. Kufrin said another is flushing or any unmetered water. Commissioner Robinson asked what mitigations were recommended. Mrs. Kufrin said that the best course of action is the water audit. That was the recommendation of an engineer. With that analysis, we will go through AWA's M36. We will see where the water is being lost from, and that is when mitigation strategies will come in. Commissioner Robinson asked what the water audit would cost. Utilities Director Nunnelley said it would probably be between \$40,000 and \$50,000. The audit would be an essential part of any water master plan, like a distribution analysis, a source-water analysis, or a water-quality analysis. We look to improve water quality for our customers. We can do things to improve it, but that comes at a cost to rate payers. We want to effectively hand this off to an engineering team and dive into that. Then we could bring solutions and costs to the Commission for presentation on the record. Now that we have brought Bonito Lake, we are starting to see water hardness drop slightly. Historically, we were thirty-three grains-per-gallon, and right now we are forty-two grains-per-gallon. As we transition more to Bonito Lake, we hope to see those grains-per-gallon go down significantly.

Existing Water Distribution System (Slide 6)

Mayor Payne asked where Zones 4 and 5 were. Utilities Director Nunnelley said the Walker area. She asked when the project here would start. He said we are within six weeks of design. Then we will do a final review of the ninety percent. Then, once we get to one hundred percent, we will put the bid documents together, and it will be out. She asked if that would be around the first of the year. He said yes, but hopefully sooner. That is a problematic portion of the system for water breaks and disinfection byproducts. She asked for the timeframe once this project starts. He said with construction and everything, it's probably just over a year. Streets/Drainage/Weeds Manager Garza said it's probably a year and a half. Utilities Director Nunnelley said to bear in mind that this would not affect travel, like the roads. We only impact the road when we cross it, like at Walker Road and Collins Avenue. There is little impact on residents because most of it is in the right-of-way of the Department of Transportation (DOT). Multiple bores can be connected into that zone for water age and fire flow. It would be a huge improvement for the area. We are trying to fix things adopted by the Commission about fifty years ago. Residents out there are concerned, and we care and hear you, but a lot must go into correcting this.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Christine Duncan said she was a teacher, and there is a crosswalk on the corner of 14th Street and Florida Avenue. It goes to North Elementary to their playground. I use that crosswalk in the mornings and evenings. Ever since they opened the playground to children in the community, more kids have crossed. There is a lot of danger there. I have issues trying to cross. I leave work at 3:20 PM, and the crosswalk lights are off by then. People do not stop for me, and I must wait a long time before I can cross. On Friday, I had two City Police Officers who did not stop while I was standing at the crosswalk. Better safety needs to be considered at that crosswalk. I want to see the crosswalk brighter, maybe freshened with paint. Or something can be done, like at the crosswalk between the Alamogordo Public Library and City Hall, where you push a button and the lights come on. I have a hard time, and I know the kids must be having a hard time.

2. Cheri Moore said she was the President of the La Luz Water Association. The Quintis property has become more of a flood zone over the past twenty years. I do not know how City staff even drive on Valley View Drive. The water has cut the road down to just one lane for vehicles. The State approved a Dollar General on that corner. Tonight, within two hours' time, we had an inch and a quarter of water come down that road and across that land. I have been working with the County to get people to slow down on La Luz Road. I believe we are going to have major problems. I don't want your employees or my community members hurt, but people barrel through there, even with the water that runs over the road. When will the City's project to put in the drainage ditches be completed? I called the company that designed the project for the City, and it is supposed to be going soon. When is that supposed to happen? Senior Project Manager Boyle said it is at ninety percent completion. The design part will be completed within three weeks.

or so. That drainage has been done since last September until now. It is going to show a different drain system to ensure that flooding goes south, back into the property, not La Luz Road. It will be cutting through the road inside our property. Cheri Moore said in talks with the County that the City has closed off Valley View Drive, which is higher on the road. That design is beautiful, but I want them to speed it up. Senior Project Manager Boyle said it was supposed to be done a month ago. When Dollar General came in, they designed a road to go into the property. Our on-call engineer got with the engineers for Dollar General to ensure we are not overlapping projects on the road. They paid for that asphalt and everything that was done, and it is there now. When we do our project, it will connect to theirs, and everything will flow properly.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Acting City Manager Hernandez made the following remarks:

1. The Sacramento Mountain Foundation is hosting Terry Bradshaw to discuss resiliency and bouncing back. That event will be at the Tays Center on September 22, 2025, from 6 PM to 8 PM. It will be free.
2. Isaac Muncy and Kevin Cardoza from PNM are here to speak about outages and other things going on. I thought it would be best for them to relay the information directly to you. Mr. Cardoza said he was the Local Government and Community Manager for PNM in Southern New Mexico. There have been a handful of outages in the last couple of months here in Alamogordo. We wanted to share what happened and ensure you have the appropriate information concerning what we faced over the last couple of months. Mr. Muncy, the Field Operation Supervisor for the Alamogordo Area, said that historically, outages typically happen in the evening, like 10 PM and onwards. Unfortunately, these recent outages hit harder, like on a Saturday for more than seven daytime hours. The situation over the past few months has been due to acts of God. Every area with recent infrastructure failure has been patrolled within the past four to five months, and we have records and data to support this. Aggressive winds, rains, and timing have slowly hammered our system and shown some weak points. Around three thousand four hundred customers were out that Saturday during the day's heat. It was a rare situation where we had bad rain the previous night, softening wooden crossarms and early morning wind. Several spans of infrastructure between our substation and the sawmill failed. Due to the location of the failure and the load we were expecting at noon, we were unable to reroute power without instantaneous blackouts and brownouts to other areas. A center portion of town, from the bypass all the way to the mountain, experienced that seven-hour outage. We brought in extra crews for that. Mr. Cardoza said he encouraged the Commission to reach out to him if there were issues and that he would get back to them in a timely fashion.

REMARKS AND INQUIRIES BY THE CITY COMMISSION

Commissioner Guthrie asked how much the traffic study would cost. Acting City Manager Hernandez said we have not gotten the quote back yet, but we will expect it this week. Commissioner Guthrie said that for everyone's context, this is in reference to Indian Wells Road and Juniper Avenue. A traffic study was done a year ago, and they did not see significant enough traffic to do anything. I think the traffic has increased substantially since then. Mayor Payne asked if this was the small Walmart area. Commissioner Guthrie said yes. You can sit there for a very long time trying to get out. Commissioner Rardin asked if we could use our own traffic counters. Acting City Manager Hernandez said we can put traffic counters, but to put a light, we need an actual traffic study.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Approve the minutes for the Regular Commission meeting on August 12, 2025. *(Rachel Hughs, City Clerk)*
3. Consider, and act upon, the Investment Report for the quarter ending June 30, 2025 in accordance with the City of Alamogordo Investment Ordinance. *(Sue Ashe, Accounting Manager)*
4. Consider, and act upon, the Contract Between Otero County and the City of Alamogordo for Housing of City Prisoners. *(David Kunihiro, Chief of Police)*
5. Consider, and act upon, the Public Works Bid No. 2025-002 award, Alameda Zoo Wall Improvements Project No. ZO2402, to Perimeter Ironwork, Fence and Block LLC, related to the Alameda Zoo Wall Improvements project for an amount not to exceed \$352,108, excluding NMGR. *(Justen Boyle, Senior Project Manager)*

6. Consider and act upon an emergency funds appropriation of \$28,171.50 through the Capital Outlay Bureau with the Aging & Long-Term Services Department to purchase a new hot truck for the Senior Center's Home-delivered Meal program (*Magdalena Morales, ASC Manager / Veronica Ortega, Community Services Director*)

7. Consider, and act upon, the award of Public Works Bid No. 2025-005, Lower Heights and Upper Heights Waterline Replacement WSRP 009 Project No. UC2210, to Crosstown Construction related to the Lower Heights and Upper Heights Waterline Replacement WSRP 009 project in an amount not to exceed \$1,067,880.02, including NMGR. (*Justen Boyle, Senior Project Manager*)

8. Consider, and act upon, the award of Public Works Bid No. 2025-003, La Luz South Reservoir Cover, Tower, and Catwalk Replacement WSRP 013 Project No. UC2209, to KE&G Construction INC., related to the La Luz South Reservoir Cover, Tower, and Catwalk Replacement WSRP 013 project in an amount not to exceed \$4,493,741.99, including NMGR. (*Justen Boyle, Senior Project Manager/ Eddie Livingston, Engineer*)

Commissioner Burnett said he wished to pull Item 5. Commissioner Tapley said he wished to pull Item 8.

Commissioner Burnett moved to approve as amended.

Commissioner Guthrie seconded the motion.

Motion Passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 0.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

5. Consider, and act upon, the Public Works Bid No. 2025-002 award, Alameda Zoo Wall Improvements Project No. ZO2402, to Perimeter Ironwork, Fence and Block LLC, related to the Alameda Zoo Wall Improvements project for an amount not to exceed \$352,108, excluding NMGR. (*Justen Boyle, Senior Project Manager*)

Commissioner Burnett asked how this project was going. Senior Project Manager Boyle said it was going well. There is Bid 1 and an alternate Bid. Bid 1 goes from the Duck Pond all the way to the remainder of the wall. There are now four feet of wall on the west side, so they are almost done with the Duck Pond area. This item asks for funds to proceed with the rest of the wall. Commissioner Burnett said concerns have been raised about the company actually doing the work, like their license not being correct to erect the wall. Senior Project Manager Boyle said that the information is not correct. They have permits from the Construction Industries Division (CID), and they have all the licenses required to build the wall. Commissioner Burnett said there were visits by the State out there regarding permits not being pulled on the project. Senior Project Manager Boyle said that it came down to a miscommunication between the engineers who designed it. CID and the contractor worked together and pulled all permits. That is why they are continuing the work. Commissioner Burnett asked why there was a visit from the Railroad Commission. Senior Project Manager Boyle said yes. A certain contractor called them to complain about another contractor working in the right-of-way. Union Pacific has its own engineers. You have to contact them to ensure everything looks good, and I did. Unfortunately, that engineer moved to El Paso, and so they brought in a new engineer. That new engineer spoke to their boss, who is in Arkansas. I have all the documents from Union Pacific stating that I can continue working. We have all the permission we need. Again, they were called because another contractor called them. Commissioner Burnett asked why a visit was made by a USDA inspector. Senior Project Manager Boyle said the USDA has been out there for the past three years. It is a coincidence that all three were called on the same day by the same contractor. The USDA was out there before the project started. Mayor Payne said she doubted it was a coincidence. Senior Project Manager Boyle said I have this item up here to finish the wall because the USDA gave the Zoo three years to complete the wall. If I do not proceed with this wall, the Zoo will be shut down. Commissioner Burnett asked for an update on the protective netting for the birds. Senior Project Manager Boyle said that it was a different project. We are currently fixing the bid documents. Once we get that figured out and fixed, it will be put out for advertisement. Hopefully, in the next week or two. I am on board with the USDA, CID, and Union Pacific. We are all in understanding and have everything organized and ready to go. Commissioner Burnett asked if they knew about the line locates. Underground power lines have been torn through. Senior Project Manager Boyle said that power is the City's line. That would be up to the City to locate, specifically, Facility Maintenance under Public Works. Commissioner Burnett said so we didn't get to locate for them. Senior Project Manager Boyle said they did not locate it. They hit two lines. If they do not locate, that is on them. The Zoo is the oldest one in the southwest. Finding every single line is very hard. Commissioner Burnett said he just wanted to

ensure everything was done correctly since concerns have been raised. We want to ensure our contractors have everything before work is started. Senior Project Manager Boyle said that locations cannot be located on private property. Locates are up to Facility Maintenance, and they knew about this. The lines were connected to the wall and under it. They knew the project had started, and they should have marked the lines, but no one did. The wires have been fixed and are sleeved into the footing. They are marked on our GPS system. We will have redlines for the Zoo for future reference to avoid this issue again. Commissioner Burnett asked how much time they had to complete this project. Senior Project Manager Boyle said they have an additional ninety days to complete this part of the project if this is approved. As long as the USDA sees progress by November, they will continue. If they only see the Duck Pond completed but not the rest of the wall, that is where we may run into the issue of the Zoo being closed.

Commissioner Rardin asked what fund this money was being pulled from. Acting City Manager Hernandez said Fund 105 for economic development, which is for the pool and other quality of life facilities. Commissioner Rardin said so the \$4,000,000 transferred to the pool will pay for this? She said part of the fund balance is in Fund 105. The tax is coming to it. We are still getting the tax from it. He asked if that would sunset at the end of the year. She said no, we are getting the tax, and it is allocated to quality of life facilities. I am not sure if it will be pulled exactly from Fund 105. It depends on where we have the cash at.

Commissioner Rardin said a base bid and an alternate bid were done. If both were awarded at the same time, would it have changed the outcome of who it went to? Would it have been awarded to a different contractor if both had been awarded? Senior Project Manager Boyle said the other contractor that bid against this one was substantially higher. So no, they still would have been awarded this project.

Commissioner Rardin said if the USDA has been after us for three years, why have we not heard about it? Acting City Manager Hernandez said they have been documenting it. That is why the wall is on the ICIP. We were told about it, but there has been no written reprimand. We have a new USDA Representative who has been strict on things happening in the Zoo. This year, she said if you do not do it, we will shut down the Zoo. That is why you are hearing about it now. We put it on ICIP. We were working towards it, but it was not enough, and so we did it again. It came to a head this year. He said so even though substantial gains were made to the wall, they are still holding us to the timeframe. She said yes. We have said we are working on it, but when we requested money, it was not enough. At this point, we need to get it done. We have been requesting the money from ICIP and piecing together the wall for three years.

Commissioner Rardin asked what license classification was required to do the project. Senior Project Manager Boyle said GB98 for the wall. GB98, G98, and GF98 are the three they have. The other part can have a GF98. Commissioner Rardin asked who they had a permit for. Senior Project Manager Boyle said themselves. They have a partner, who is an engineer with a GB98. They pulled the permit because that is his business partner.

Acting City Manager Hernandez said to address Commissioner Burnett's earlier remarks, he is right. When these problems came up, we made errors, and we need to fix them. I think we are all in agreement that sometimes we do not know what we did not know. We are holding ourselves to the same standard that we are holding other contractors. We need to get them done and correct our own errors.

Commissioner Rardin asked about the work performed without a permit in the first part. Senior Project Manager Boyle said that it was signed off by the engineer, who is the business partner. They said as long as he signs off on it, they will accept it. Commissioner Rardin asked if we had photographs. Senior Project Manager Boyle said yes, we always have photographs on our daily reports. A daily log is an inspector requirement. Commissioner Rardin said that if we get a premature failure of the wall, we will know who to blame. Senior Project Manager Boyle said yes.

Mayor Payne said so we are talking about Perimeter Ironwork, Fence and Block LLC. Are they an out-of-town contractor? Senior Project Manager Boyle said yes, they are from Albuquerque. They previously did work for the City. Mayor Payne said there was another contractor that bid. Are they local? Senior Project Manager Boyle said yes, KE&G are now local. The other two that showed up for the pre-bid number bid on the job.

Mayor Pro-Tem McDonald moved to approve.

**Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion.
Motion Passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 0.**

8. Consider, and act upon, the award of Public Works Bid No. 2025-003, La Luz South Reservoir Cover, Tower, and Catwalk Replacement WSRP 013 Project No. UC2209, to KE&G Construction INC., related to the La Luz South Reservoir Cover, Tower, and Catwalk Replacement WSRP 013 project in an amount not to exceed \$4,493,741.99, including NMGR. (*Justen Boyle, Senior Project Manager/ Eddie Livingston, Engineer*)

Commissioner Tapley said in the last meeting that we were going to approve another company to do work on this project. It was pulled. Now, are we going with the higher bid? Senior Project Manager Boyle said he would defer to the engineer for that question. Mr. Livingston said he was Eddie Livingston, the President of Livingston Associate Engineers here in Alamogordo. We took bids from two contractors, and in the evaluation of the bids, one criterion is the unit costs of the bid rather than just the total cost. When you look at the bid from the apparent low, two items are considered unrealistic. Item 12 is the tower gates, which are both important and expensive equipment. The apparent low bid \$40,000 on that. In later communications with us, they admitted they had not received a bid from a supplier. When they later did, that cost was \$160,000, not including installation. So, the bid item is unrealistic and does not reflect the actual cost of doing the work. He mentioned that he could make up for that through other bid items, but that is improper. Each bid item is represented by the bidder as the cost that would be necessary to complete that item. So, you cannot rob Peter to pay Paul. When comparing the bid items, it shows an imbalance in the bids. The second item, Item 10 for the outlet tower, is the thirty-foot concrete tower diverting water from the reservoir into the pipeline. He bid that at \$22,000. We asked for a breakdown of that bid. According to my structural engineer, that bid is also unrealistic. When you look at both items, the unrealistic bids reflect the bidder's understanding of the work involved. When something is bid so low, and so far out of what would be considered a realistic bid, it opens up the contract to potential financial liability on the City's part. In other bid items, it could open up the possibility of over-building something, requesting more money, or changing orders. It is a real red flag. Looking at that bidder specifically, as your consultant, I cannot recommend the award to that contractor. We are left with the only other bidder, KE&G, and so I recommend the award of that.

Commissioner Rardin said referring to the two line items, they are unrealistic one way, but if you look at KE&G, they are unrealistic the other way based on your estimates. You have Number 10 at \$90,000, and they came in at \$230,000 in their line item. Is your estimation wrong, or is theirs? It is the same thing with Item 12. You came in at \$130,000, and they came in at \$237,000. They are almost double your estimate. Mr. Livingston said the engineer always hates to be the low bidder on a project. We did our initial estimate when the project was formulating. Prices have gone up substantially since then. So I do think we are low in our bid. Whenever we bid on projects, there is a range of bidders. You have low, medium, or high. On this project, I believe we have a medium and a high. His costs are uniformly high throughout, not just a couple of items. When they are high, in our opinion, the contractor has thought through the bid item, and there is plenty of money to build it. When it is low and totally unrealistic, that is the red flag. Commissioner Rardin said your engineer's estimate for Line Item 5 is \$180,000, and they are at \$87,000. So, should that have been a red flag for KE&G? They are nearly \$100,000 lower than where you are at.

Commissioner Tapley asked if it would have been justified to say, "Hey, look, if you can keep this number here and move your numbers around to still be here." If you are under a timeline to get numbers, and sometimes you cannot even beg to get those numbers. Could that option have been given? Their correspondence clearly states that "We are confident with the overall pricing and look forward to a very successful project installation." Mr. Livingston said we cannot have the bidder change his numbers or move stuff. Commissioner Tapley said so, not the bottom number, but what about the others? Is that not legal? Mr. Livingston said it was not legal or proper. There are two issues. What is the bottom line number, and what is the contractor's perceived understanding of the project? You have to evaluate the bid based on its own standing. When you look at the low bidders, their two items raise a big red flag. Not going out for supplier bids raises a big red flag. It shows a perceived possible misunderstanding, and he has to make up for those big losses in other bid items. If the bidder really represented what he thought it would take to build each of those items, well, there is not a lot of extra money in each one of the items that he can move here or there. So he will be looking for ways to add additional dollars to the contract by either overrunning unit cost items or asking for a change order for some reason. We have seen stuff like that before. Commissioner Tapley said we could go with the higher one and still get change orders. Mr. Livingston said I recommend we reject the lower one because of inconsistencies. It would be great if we had more bidders on the project, but we do not. Acting

City Manager Hernandez said the Commission can approve what they want or reject it and have it go back out.

Commissioner Rardin asked if this was something that needed to be done in a hurry or if it could wait. Senior Project Manager Boyle said it was something that needed to be done. Commissioner Rardin asked if we had time to put this back out to rebid. Senior Project Manager Boyle said there is also a ten percent preference for it, too. Commissioner Rardin said you have the demo of the floating bid at \$200,000, but they only have \$22,000, and the other company is at \$70,000. There are a lot of different discrepancies between the two bids. In the past, we typically considered bids within ten percent of each other as decent. You raise concerns on Lone Mountain, but we have the same concerns with KE&G. Do we have to put this back out for bid? Utilities Director Nunnelley said that we are under a time constraint in the water construction area because we have to drain that reservoir all the way down. We only have what we call excess water to refill that. To be prepared for spring, the only time we have to do this is through the winter. If we rebid this, we will be in November-December before we start construction, and then it will be in early summer. Commissioner Burnett asked what the estimated timeline of completion would be. Senior Project Manager Boyle said eleven months. Commissioner Rardin said even if it were started tomorrow, we would still be in the middle of summer.

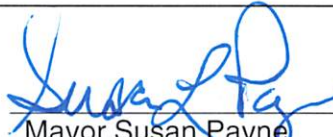
Mayor Pro-Tem McDonald moved to approve.

Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion.

Motion Failed with a vote of 3 - 4 - 0. Commissioner Stephen Burnett, Commissioner Josh Rardin, Commissioner Mark Tapley, and Commissioner Crystal Guthrie voted nay.

ADJOURNMENT

ATTEST:



Mayor Susan Payne



City Clerk Rachel Hughes

(Prepared by Dylan Aleshire, Deputy Clerk)

Approved at the Regular Meeting held on September 9, 2025.

