

School Building Committee

**MINUTES OF MEETING
CITY OF BRIDGEPORT
SCHOOLS BUILDING COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
September 30, 2021**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chair Brown called the meeting to order at 4:04pm, a quorum was present.

II. ATTENDANCE

(Voting Members Bold)

Marcus Brown – Co-Chair – City Council

Ernest Newton – City Council

John Weldon – Board of Education

Joseph Sokolovic – Board of Education

Jon Urquidi – City Engineer

Kenneth Flatto – Finance Director

Jorge Garcia – Director, Building Operations BOE

Craig Nadrizny - Acting Director, Public Facilities

Thomas Gill – Director, OPED

Michele Otero – Contract Compliance/School Construction

Larry Schilling – School Construction Program

III. Basssick High School

Approval to accept Contractor for Phase 1 – Abatement & Demolition

School Construction received two proposals off of State Contract; Bestech \$5,445,000 and AAIS \$8,769,000. School Construction Program Management, members of the construction management team, the projects abatement designer and a representative from the State of CT DAS reviewed submissions as well as performed a scope review with both firms. The opinion is that AAIS would provide a better, completed job even though their initial price is higher overall. Should they not remove the quantities indicated in their proposal the City would receive a credit back. Likewise, should Bestech go over quantities they would look for a change order from the City. AAIS provided a complete work plan with details. Covered ALL unit prices.

Recommendation: The School Building Committee approve awarding a contract for Phase 1 Abatement/Demolition to AAIS.

Mr. Newton asked if there was any local company capable of performing this type of work. Mrs. Otero explained State Contract and the process.

Mr. Flatto mentioned he was happy to see the work may come in below budget and expressed that in reality AAIS is lower based on their rates.

Mr. Newton expressed his concern over change orders.

Motion: Motion by Mr. Newton to award the contract to AAIS.

Mr Flatto made a motion to add the “off of the State of Connecticut Certified Bid List”, Mr. Weldon seconds Mr. Flattos motion.

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Mr. Newton made the motion to award the contract to AAIS off of the State of Connecticut Certified Bid List, Mr Sokolovic seconds the motion.

Discussion: None

Action: Unanimously approved

V. Adjournment

Motion: Mr. Newton made the motion to adjourn at 4:25pm and a second by Mr. Garcia

Discussion: None

Action: Unanimously approved

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele Otero
School Construction Program