Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 4

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Meeting Minutes July 24, 2023 7:00 P.M.

The Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 4 (ESD 4) conducted a meeting at 26217 Ralph Fair Road, Boerne, Texas, 78006 on Monday July 24, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. The following was discussed:

- 1. Commissioner Haygood called the Bexar County ESD 4 Meeting to Order at 7:00 P.M. and established a quorum. All Commissioners were present.
- 2. Citizen Public Forum. No citizens chose to speak.
- 3. Discussion and appropriate action on the following:
 - a. Mr. Charles Laljer, Administrator, and Mr. Gabe Perez, Perez Project Consulting, discussed the lawsuit filed by the Sabinal Group alleging that the ESD 4 was in breach of the Station 132 construction contract. The Sabinal Group is seeking \$734,701.67 in payment for the contract retainage and additional work. The ESD 4 Board does not believe it is in breach of contract as the Sabinal poorly managed the station construction and did not complete it until over 18 months past the contractual 1-year schedule. The ESD 4 will work through its attorney to defend itself against the lawsuit.
 - b. Mr. Laljer reviewed the final contract for the \$1,750,000 purchase of 2.75 acres of property at the IH-10 Eastbound Access Road and Ranchland View. Commissioner Rasmussen motioned to approve the property purchase. Commissioner Huber seconded the motion. Motion carried by a 5/0 vote in favor of.
 - c. The Commissioner discussed retaining additional legal council due to the slow response on my occasions by Mr. Campbell. Mr. Campbell will continue to be retained for the Station 132 lawsuit defense. A list of potential attorneys with ESD experience will be developed for use if needed in the near future.
 - d. Mr. Laljer provided a review of the proposed Fiscal Year 2024 (FY24) budget and the impact of different Ad Valorum tax rates. Commissioner Haygood requested that the impact to full-time personnel hiring be included in the different options. Mr. Laljer will layout the plans and impacts of the different options.
 - e. Commissioner Huber and Deputy Chief Maldonado reviewed the different Ambulances available, including pricing, warrantees, and delivery schedules. Leon Springs Fire Department recommended the Medix ambulances at a cost of \$296,942.88 and Commissioner Huber favored the Wheeled Coach at cost of \$371,470 as a better overall ambulance. The Board discussed the options and impact of the price difference. The warrantees are the same between the two different companies. Commissioners Surratt motioned to purchase three of the Medix

- ambulances. Commissioner Lopez-Maddox seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 votes for, none against, and Commissioner Huber abstained.
- 4. Determine date, time, and possible agenda items for the next meeting. The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be Monday, August 7, 2023.
- 5. Adjourn. With no further business before the Board, Commissioner Huber made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Lopez-Maddox seconded the motion. Motion carried by a 5/0 vote in favor of. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 P.M.