

BROOKHAVEN TAKES FIRST STEPS IN SOLIDIFYING MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND CITY MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE

City Council Awards Contracts for IT, Finance, Courts, and Communications and Community Engagement

BROOKHAVEN, GA December 18, 2012 – As leaders of Georgia’s newest City, Brookhaven Mayor and City Council held several meetings over the past week to adopt resolutions, pass ordinances, award government services contracts and appoint interim public administrators. The primary objective was to outline how the City will conduct business following its incorporation.

At those meetings Council members discussed how best to help the City start serving its residents. One critical area for Council was to determine which service providers the City would choose for the seven Municipal General Government Services of Finance & Administration, Information Technology Services, Communications & Community Engagement, Municipal Court, Public Work, Recreation & Parks and Community Development.

The Governor’s Commission on Brookhaven initiated the service provider search process when it issued a Request for Proposals for Municipal Government Services on October 12, 2012. Following an extensive review process, the City of Brookhaven awarded contracts and initial task orders for four of its seven Municipal Government Services work packages.

“Throughout the selection process we felt it vital to make prudent and fiscally conservative selections,” said Brookhaven Mayor J. Max Davis. “We carefully examined all bids and proposals to help make the most strategic and cost-effective decisions for the citizens of Brookhaven. Each of the firms receiving contracts and initial task orders provide the best overall value to the City of Brookhaven for Municipal General Government Services requirements.”

The procurement process is a best value source selection acquisition. There are three (3) evaluation components: Offeror’s capabilities and approach to providing a service, confidence in the Offerors ability to perform the service based recent and relevant references, and the reasonableness and realism of the cost/price with visibility to Offeror’s profit. The Mayor and Council reviewed the recommendations of the Commission’s Proposal Evaluation Team and carefully considered the findings.

Several firms submitted proposals to provide multiple services to the City of Brookhaven. After discussion and review the City decided to award contracts and initial task orders for four of the seven work packages.

- Information Technology Services
- Finance and Administration
- Municipal Courts
- Communications and Community Engagement

In addition to providing four awards via a highly competitive and transparent bid process, the Mayor and Council also appointed interim experienced, interim leaders to establish City services and manage the initial business of the City.

Marie Garrett was selected to serve as the Interim City Manager and JD Clockadale was appointed as the City's Interim Deputy City Manager.

Marie Garrett has extensive professional experience in municipal government management and has served as an interim City Manager for the City of Johns Creek, Ga., as a City administrator for the City of Alpharetta, Ga., and has worked as a consultant for numerous Georgia counties and cities including the cities of Milton and Canton, and Cobb and Forsyth Counties. Her knowledge, skill and understanding of municipal government public administration makes Garrett the ideal interim City Manager. Garrett will work part time in her role to assist the City with critical planning, administration and development until a permanent City Manager is in place.

JD Clockadale co-chaired the Contracts & Proposals Committee for the Governor's Commission on Brookhaven. He also holds a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering and MBA in Entrepreneurship and Innovation from the Georgia Institute of Technology.

He spent six years in the Financial Services industry and was multi-unit franchisee operator and owner. As a business owner, he managed the business start-up and operations process from negotiating and acquiring franchise rights and locations, securing funding for start-up expenses and initial operating expenses, soliciting and qualifying service vendors and eventually selling the businesses for a profit for all shareholders of the company.

After successfully selling his franchises, JD earned his MBA and then assumed a Project Manager role and subsequent leadership roles with RaceTrac Petroleum. In his roles, JD was responsible for facilitating and managing various projects as well as leading teams to evaluate organizational needs and soliciting vendor services to meet such needs. His project work included managing and facilitating the development of proposals for a variety of services such as IT services and program management.

Clockadale is serving the Interim Deputy City Manager, a temporary position, until the City Manager role can be filled on a permanent basis.

“We have taken proactive measures to ensure the City is supported with experienced professionals to help us do the business of the people from the start,” said Mayor Davis. “We have a lot of work ahead of us but we’ve started out with a team who knows how to get a City prepared to start working efficiently.”

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