

**Town of Wallingford
Police Station Steering Committee
SPECIAL MEETING
Tuesday May 23, 2023**

A Special Meeting of the Police Station Steering Committee was held on Tuesday May 23, 2023 in the Training Room at the Wallingford Police Station, 135 North Main Street, Wallingford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 10:43 AM by Alison Kapushinski, Chair.

Committee Members in Attendance:

Alison Kapushinski
Rob Baltramaitis
Rich Heidgerd

Jon Walworth
Vincent Cervoni
William Wright

Others in Attendance:

Dep. Chief Anthony DeMaio – WPD
Joe Vecellio – WPD
Jim Russo – JRR, LLC

Nate Spear - IES
Christopher Guzzi - IES
Jeff Vosburgh – Downes Const.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Item #1.a. PCO #38: Generator Size Cost Increase

At this time, a Proposed Change Order has not been officially submitted to the Town by Downes Construction. Downes has made the Town aware that a generator with a larger diesel fuel tank than originally specified will be required to allow the unit to run for 72 continuous hours. Once pricing information is compiled, Downes will submit a Proposed Change Order for the Town's consideration. **No action was taken on this item.**

Item #1.b. PCO #45 Manhole within Sally Port Footprint

During site work, the contractor encountered an unforeseen storm manhole and 18"-diameter concrete storm drain in conflict with the sally port. Downes Construction has evaluated several options with pricing and project schedule impacts being considered. The preferred option will demolish the top portion of the manhole structure, fill it with gravel, abandon the existing pipe in place with flowable fill and install new storm drain pipe to replicate existing conditions to the extent possible. This will eliminate the need for additional land use permitting and not affect the project schedule.

The contractor is seeking a Construction Change Order of \$32,217.96 to complete this work. Committee members and the Owner's Representative shared concerns over the proposed cost of the work. The length of the pipe to be installed was questioned; Downes is to verify the actual quantity. A "time and material" approach to this Construction Change Order rather than a not-to-exceed lump sum was welcomed by the Committee and was acceptable to Downes.

A **motion was made by Vincent Cervoni** to approve PCO #45 in the amount of \$32,217.96 for the manhole/ sally port conflict subject to a) payment being made on a 'time and material' basis and b) the actual change order value be based on the corrected quantity of storm pipe. The **motion was seconded by William Wright**. The vote was UNANIMOUS to **approve** the motion with Kapushinki, Walworth, Baltramaitis, Cervoni, Heidgerd and Wright voting.

Item #1.c. PCO #23 Cat-6A Cable

The current specifications require the new building to be wired with CAT-6 ethernet/ network cable throughout. Consideration should be given to upgrading the cable to Cat 6A or greater to account for data speed needs in the future. Initial pricing from Downes suggests that a Construction Change Order to substitute Cat 6 with Cat 6A would be \$117k which does not include potential upgrades that may be required to ceiling trays, conduits and chases.

The Committee had reservations about a \$117k+ investment in upgrading the ethernet cable to a product that could be obsolete in the future. Cat 6A cable could be useful immediately for specialized policing equipment such as body cameras and cruiser cameras for high speed downloads.

After discussion, consensus was reached to request that the Owner's Representative work on determining the areas of the building that would most benefit from an immediate upgrade to Cat 6A cabling and work with Downes Construction on change order pricing. **No action was taken on this item.**

A **motion was made by Vincent Cervoni** to adjourn the meeting at 12:05 PM. The **motion was seconded** by Rich Heidgerd. The vote was UNANIMOUS to **adjourn the meeting** with Kapushinki, Walworth, Baltramaitis, Cervoni, Heidgerd and Wright voting.

Prepared by:



Robert Baltramaitis, Committee Member

Attachment: sign-in list

Sign-In - Sheet
May 23, 23 P.S.S.C. Meeting
10:30 AM P.O Training Room

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