

seconded by Alderman Sadler and carried, approved that the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Savannah and the Savannah Waterfront Association be drawn up for one year.

**Agreement to Accept Property for Public Safety Complex.**

The Fire Department needs a suitable site to construct a new station to replace Station 9 on Pennsylvania Avenue. This station is inadequate for the needs of the fire district, will not accommodate new fire apparatus, and would require extensive modification to become accessibility and gender compliant.

The Board of Education has offered approximately 2.5 acres for a new fire station at the northeast corner of the Savannah High School property. The site has frontage on Capital Street with access to Pennsylvania Avenue and President Street, and would support a proposed 8,250-square foot station and parking for 18 to 20 vehicles. The Board also wishes to deed approximately 1.8 acres for a police precinct on the northwest corner of the property at the intersection of Capital Street and Pennsylvania Avenue. This site would support a 6300-square foot precinct house and parking for 25 to 30 vehicles.

The Board has agreed to transfer the property and its staff has approved the preliminary site plans. The Fire Department is prepared to begin immediate site preparation. Until funding becomes available to construct a new police precinct, space for a substation would be available in the new fire station.

City Attorney Blackburn explained that this is an acceptance of property from the Board of Education for the fire safety and police precinct. The Board of Education has agreed to make this conveyance by deed to the City. But it is subject to a reverter in case the properties being on their campus is not used for these public safety purposes in the future. Alderman Cook asked City Manager Brown if there was a timeline when they could begin the construction of this new fire station; it is needed in this area. City Manager Brown answered that he would get the schedule, but believed that the Fire Chief has already looked at the designs and is anxious to immediately proceed with the designs.

Upon motion of Alderman Cook, seconded by Alderman Thomas and carried approved the agreement between the City and the Board for the transfer of property for use as a public safety complex. **(SEE RESOLUTIONS).**

**Acquisition of Property for Westside Master Plan.**

The City is seeking to acquire 9.14 acres of land at the intersection of Louisville Road and Dooley Avenue as part of the Westside Master Plan.

The property is legally described as Lots 25, 27 thru 41, and part of Lots 9, 10 and 42, Morrison Ward (PIN 2-0029-07-012). It is a level, heavily wooded site bounded by Louisville Road on the north, Dooley Avenue on the east and the Ogeechee Canal on the south. A 2003 survey disclosed approximately .53 acres of wetlands adjacent to the canal. The zoning is I-H (Heavy Industrial).

A Phase II Environmental Assessment was performed on the property which was formerly part of a larger tract belonging to Norfolk Southern Railway. The results of the soil and groundwater tests were favorable, with all readings well below Georgia Hazardous Sites Response Act (HSRA) notification levels.

The property was offered for sale by Granite Real Estate, LLC, for \$45,000.00 per acre. The City's offer of \$40,500.00 per acre, for a total of \$370,170.00, has been accepted. The closing must take place by December 15, 2004, in order to acquire the property at this price. The property is needed by the City for mitigation purposes in order to utilize other properties being purchased for the proposed Westside Municipal Complex on Stiles Avenue.

Upon motion of Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Thomas and carried, approved the authorization to purchase the 9.14 acres for \$370,170.00 from Granite Real Estate, LLC, as part of the Westside Master Plan overall acquisition schedule.

**Final Plat - Willow Point, Phase 1.** Upon motion of Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Thomas and carried, approved the authorization to execute the final plat for Willow Point, Phase 1 on Highlands Boulevard upon the bond being received on November 29, 2004.

Upon motion of Alderman Thomas, seconded by Alderman Clifton Jones and carried, the following **bids, contracts and agreements** were approved:

**Curbside Carts - Annual Contract - Bid No. 04.285.**

Awarded an annual contract to procure curbside carts from Consolidated Disposal Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$48,925.00. The carts are used by Residential Refuse to replace deteriorated carts and for additional customers.

Bids were received October 19, 2004.

**Hydrated Lime - Annual Contract - Bid No. 04.299.**

Approved to award an annual contract for hydrated lime from Cheney Lime and Cement Company in the amount of \$130,160.00. The hydrated lime is used to treat water at the I & D (Industrial and Domestic) Water Treatment Plant.

Bids were received November 9, 2004.

**Physician and Occupational Health Services - Annual Contract - RFP No. 04.254.**

Approved to procure physician and occupational health services from Memorial Health-Work One in the amount of \$30,750.00. The services will be used by Human Resources to complete physicals for pre-employment, retirement, commercial drivers license, Family Medical Leave Act and fitness for duty evaluations.

Proposals were received September 21, 2004.

**Rain Gear - Annual Contract - Bid No. 04.289.**

Approved to procure rain gear from Utility Products Mfg. Co., Inc. in the amount of \$15,829.00. The rain suits,