

KERR-TAR REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
Executive Committee
March 24, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Alston
Jimmy Clayton
Terry Garrison
Zelodis Jay
Barry Richardson
David Smith

Quon Bridges
Henry Daniel
Tommy Hester
Bryan Pfohl
Joe Shearon
Danny Wright

COG STAFF PRESENT:

Diane Cox
Gina Parham

OTHERS:

Call to Order

Chairman Tommy Hester called the meeting to order and asked Diane to begin with first Agenda item.

Diane advised that was an informational sheet attached to the Agenda to review regarding the Assessment Rate for FY 16/17. The sheet listed each local government with their proposed total assessment and quarterly break down. Diane stated that the COG is proposing to keep the same rate at 59 cents per capita for FY 16/17.

Assessment Rate FY 16/17

Motion # 1

Motion was made by Barry Richardson to approve the assessment remaining at 59 cents per capita for FY 16/17 as recommended by the Executive Director. Motion was seconded by Zelodis Jay. Motion carried unanimously.

Selection of Audit Firm

Diane reminded the Executive Committee that they had asked that the Audit Services for the KTCOG and Region K CAC be put out to bid every 3 years. She stated the COG staff sent out RFP's and obtained proposals from Cherry Bekaert (who currently perform the COG audit services), Petway Mills & Pearson (who perform the CAC Audit services), William L. Stark and Joyce and Company. A spreadsheet with the bids from each company for the next 3 years was shared with the Executive Committee. It was noted that Cherry Bekaert was the highest bid and lowest bid was Petway Mills for the COG audit. For the CAC Cherry Bekaert was once again the highest bid and Joyce and Company was the lowest. In reviewing the proposals it was found that some firms had no COG audit experience or Indirect Cost Rate experience. After thorough review it was the recommendation of the staff and Finance Committee Chairman to award both audit contracts to William L. Stark and Company.

Finance Committee Chairman, Danny Wright stated that by contracting with William L. Stark, it would be more cost effective to have them prepare the COG and CAC audits. In addition, this would keep the audit preparation within the region and work with a firm that has COG and indirect cost rate audit experience.

Board Member, Richardson stated he has worked with Petway Mills over the past few years and they have worked well with Indirect Costs rates for the non-profit organization.

Audit Contract

Motion # 2

Zelodis Jay made a motion to approve awarding the Audit Contracts for the COG and CAC to William L. Stark and Company for the next 3 years with bids that were provided. Motion was seconded by Bryan Pfohl. The motion carried by majority, with one Nye vote by Board Member, Richardson.

There being no further business or comments the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia S. Cox, Executive Director
Secretary to the Board of Directors