

Staff Responses to Council Questions

November 15, 2011

At the request of Commissioner Waldack, items 6 E and 6 F have been removed from the Consent Agenda. The Council should entertain a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Then the Council should consider items 6 E and 6 F individually.

6. Consent Agenda

Why are these insurance coverages worth such a large amount of budget and detailed contract on a Consent Agenda rather than a first reading with a one week waiting period?

These items are on the consent agenda because there is no proposed change in health insurance provider nor in plan design.

6. Consent Agenda C. Resolution: Authorize Renewal of a Group Vision Contract with Delta Dental

Why wouldn't the agenda item note a vision contract with TrueAssure rather than Delta Dental?

This is inaccurate even though TrueAssure is a subsidiary.

Delta Dental owns TrueAssure and is the legal agent that enters into contracts.

6. Consent Agenda F. Resolution: Authorize an Agreement with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois for Stop Loss Coverage

The explanation provides a "formula" for cost which appears to be $\$53,524 + (\$54.31 \times n)$ where n = the number of employees. How many employees are we talking about?

There are currently 448 total current and former employees that participate in the Village's health insurance plan, which includes employees from the Library, Park District, EDC and retirees.

Library or other entity employees included in any of this?

Yes.

What is the status of unmarried and/or domestic partners in the insurance coverages? What are the obligations?

Pursuant to State law, the Village extends coverage for civil union spouses of those employees that obtain and submit the required civil union documentation.

By awarding both claims administration and stop loss agreements with the same provider along with aggregate group coverage, isn't that an incentive to deny or limit claim coverage?

No. The claims administrator implements the plan that is approved by the Village. All claims administrators are statutorily required to administer the approved plan. Village staff and the Village's consultant perform audits to ensure that the claims administrator is properly administering the plan. Further, there is an appeal process available to all plan participants. The Village makes the final decision on appeals.

6. Consent Agenda G. Motion: Award a Professional Services Contract for \$65,160 to Shrive-Hattery, Inc., Downers Grove for Parking Lot H Improvements

Which firms were pre-qualified? Of the pre-qualified firms, are any located in the Village? What were the price proposals for each of the pre-qualified firms?

The following firms were pre-qualified for the project:

Firm Name	Location	Price
Shive Hattery	Downers Grove, IL	\$65,160.00
V3	Woodridge, IL	\$64,750.00
Graef	Chicago, IL	\$79,862.40
Hampton, Lenzini & Renwick	Elgin, IL	\$84,930.17
Infrastructure Engineering	Chicago, IL	\$155,755.00

8. First Reading A. Resolution: Authorize Letter of Intent with Will County Governmental League re: Electrical Aggregation

Would ComEd be negatively affected if customers purchase their electricity from another supplier?

No, ComEd would not be negatively affected if customers purchase electricity from other suppliers. ComEd does not generate electricity; rather, it purchases the electricity and charges a pass-through rate at no profit. ComEd's profits are based on the rates it charges for the delivery of electricity.

Is the purchase of renewable energy an option under the WCGL aggregation approach?

Yes, the WCGL aggregation could include renewable energy if the participating municipalities agree to include a supply of renewable energy in the bid specifications. At the direction of the Council, the Village could request that renewable energy be included in the bid specifications. Each municipality is afforded one vote and there is a possibility that the Village's request would not be affirmed by the majority of other municipalities.

8. First Reading D. Ordinance: Amend Special Use Provisions to Allow Donation Collection Boxes

Does the Village permit donation boxes or the use of truck trailers anywhere in the Village?

The Village does not permit exterior donation boxes or trucks/trailers to collect donated items anywhere.

Is the Salvation Army allowed to accept and process donations using the front door and the back door?

The Salvation Army and other re-sale shops may use their front and back doors to receive donations as long as there is not a collection facility (e.g. a truck/trailer or box) left outside the building. Collection operations are limited to occurring inside the building only.

Does the Village permit directional signage that could be used to direct customers to the rear door?

Directional signs are permitted. Signage could be placed in the windows at the front of the building to direct patrons to the rear of the building. Signage regarding donations is present at the rear door. The Salvation Army currently directs donations to the rear of the center using a sign in the front door.