MINUTES OF A CALLED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF TARRANT COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NUMBER ONE, HELD IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE, IN FORT WORTH, TEXAS, ON THE 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 1937, AT 10:00 A.M.

This meeting was held pursuant to a call and notice of the meeting which was served by C. A. Hickman, as President of the Board of Directors of the District, prior to noon on November 4, 1937, on each of the other Directors of the District, viz: E. E. Bewley, W. K. Stripling, Joe B. Hogsett and W. S. Cooke. Said notice, in words, figures and symbols was as follows:

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Fort Forth, Texas, November 4, 1937.

"You hereby are notified to be present at a meeting of the Board of "Directors to be held in the District office at 10:00 A.M. on Novem-"ber 5, 1937. The object of this meeting is to receive, open and "consider bids for the performance of the work needed to provide the "proposed improvement in Subdivision 2 of Section "B" of the District's "levee system in the City of Fort Worth; and, if any bid be found to "be acceptable to the District, to recess the meeting until 2:00 "P.M. at the District's office, to make an award of contract there—"under, subject only to approval thereof by the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works. The recess provided for is to permit "the engineers to tabulate the bids and make their recommendation "thereon.

(Signed) C. A. Hickman, as President of TARRANT COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NUMBER ONE"

Fursuant to said notice and at the time and place in said notice set forth, there were Directors present and participating, as follows:

C. A. Hickman
E. E. Bewley
Joe B. Hogsett
W. S. Cooke

Director Stripling was unavoidably absent. In the absence of Director Stripling, who is Secretary of the Board, Ireland Hampton was designated by President Hickman to serve as Acting Secretary for the meeting. Four Directors under the law constitute a lawful majority for the letting of contracts, by reason whereof, the needed majority was present and participating. Also

present were Mr. William Grant, representing P.W.A. as Engineer for the Regional Administrator, representatives of W. G. Humphreys and the eight other bidders; S. W. Freese of the Engineers for the District, together with Sidney L. Samuels and Ireland Hampton, Attorneys for the District.

Promptly upon the opening of the meeting, all persons present were audibly asked if there was any one present who wished to file an additional bid but no tender was made; whereupon proceedings were had and done, as follows:

1.

Frecisely at 10:00 o'clock A.M. President Hickman publicly and successively opened each of the nine bids received and caused each bid to be audibly read in the presence of all persons attending the meeting. It was found that all of said bids were in due and lawful form and that each of the same was accompanied by a Cashier's Check, a Certified Check or by a Bidder's Bond, which were all deemed to be good and sufficient good-faith security. A schedule of the participating bidders is as follows:

- 1. Frank Parrott, Dallas, Texas
- 2. W. G. Humphreys, Omaha, Nebraska
- 3. Vilbig Construction Co., Dallas, Texas
- 4. Brown & Root, Austin, Texas
- 5. Texas Bitulithic Co., Dallas, Texas
- 6. Ben Sira & Company, Dallas, Texas
- 7. L. J. Miles Construction Co., Fort Worth, Texas
- 8. Barker Bros., Fort Worth, Texas
- 9. J. S. Moore & Son, Lufkin, Texas

The original of each of said bids is now on file in the permanent records of this District and reference here is made thereto as part hereof.

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Attached to these minutes as Exhibit "A" is a publisher's affidavit furnished by the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, a newspaper having general circulation in Tarrant County, Texas, and in the State of Texas, to which is attached

an original of the notice to bidders, in conformity to which the foregoing bids were formulated and received. Reference here is made to said affidavit and the publisher's notice thereto attached as part hereof.

3.

Thereupon President Hickman recessed the meeting until 2:00 o'clock P.M. of this day, in order that the Engineers for the District may tabulate the bids received, analyze the same and make their recommendation for the awarding of the contract: It was so ordered.

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AT 2:00 O'CLOCK P.M. OF THIS SAME DAY, in the District's office, the Directors hereinabove named reconvened to receive the report of the District's Engineers who presented to the Directors the tabulation and analysis of the bids received by the District and the written recommendation of the Engineers that the contract be awarded to W. G. Humphreys of Omaha, Nebraska. Further that, the respective bids of J. S. Moore & Son of Lufkin, Texas, and the Texas Bitulithic Company of Dallas, Texas, together with their good-faith deposits (and that of W. G. Humphreys) be held in suspense by the District until such time as the District may receive from P.W.A. approval of some one of the stated bids. From the tabulation of the unit price bids, it appeared that extension of the unit price embraced in the recommended bid would give \$39,046. as the probable cost; that J. S. Moore and Son show \$43,515.00 as the probable cost; that Texas Bitulithic Company shows \$43,822.00 as the probable cost. Said written recommendation of the Engineers, together with the tabulation of bids, is attached to these minutes as Exhibit "B" which here is referred to as part hereof. There was full consideration of said bids and the recommendation based thereon; whereupon Director Hogsett moved the adoption of a resolution, as follows, i.e.:

"A RESOLUTION CONCERNING A PROPOSED CONTRACT FOR CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS IN SUB-DIVISION 2 OF SECTION "B" OF THE LEVEE SYSTEM IN THE CITY OF FORT WORTH."

"Be it ordained as the act and deed of this District, expressly subject to the conditions hereinafter set out, that the bid of W. G. Humphreys of Omaha, Nebraska, computed to show probable finished cost of the work at \$39,046.00, be declared to be the lowest and best bid for said work and to constitute the bid most advantageous to the District. However, due to the requirements of the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works, it is necessary that final award of the contract be not made by this District until it has certified unto the Director of PoW.A. for Region No. 5, the three lowest bids received by this District; by reason whereof, be it ordered that this District certify to said Federal authority the three bids deemed progressively more advantageous to the District than any of the other bids received, which bids are as follows:

W. G. Humphreys
J. S. Moore & Son
Texas Bitulithic Co.

\$ 39.046.00 43.515.00 43.822.00

Reference here is made to the schedule attached to these minutes as Exhibit "B," as part of this resolution, and for verification of the respective amounts of the bids received.

Further be it ordered that:

1. This District endeavor to procure from the Director of P.W.A. for Region No. 5 approval of award of contract for said work in the following order of preference, i.e.:

- 1. W. G. Humphreys
- 2. J. S. Moore & Son
- 3. Texas Bitulithic Company

2. That any award made after said approval be subject to the obligation of the successful bidder to execute a good and sufficient contract and performance bond, conforming to the statutes of Texas, appropriate to control this matter."

The motion to adopt said resolution, as the act and deed of the District, was seconded by Director Bewley. Upon a vote being taken, Directors Hickman, Bewley, Hogsett and Cooke voted to adopt the resolution. There was no "nay" vote and President Hickman thereupon declared that said resolution carried.

The object of this meeting having been accomplished in accordance with the call therefor, the meeting was adjourned.

As ACTING SECRETARY TON

APPROVED:

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## EXHIBIT "A" 11/5/37 10:00 A.M.

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, this

day personally appeared. Eula Meador, Clerk..., beckeeper for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Morning, published by the Carter Publications, Inc., at Fort Worth, in Tarrant County, Texas; and who, after being duly sworn, did depose and say that the following clipping

of an advertisement referring to
Sealed Proposals - for the construction of certain levee improvements
was published in the above named paper onOctober 14 and October 21 and
Signed Cula

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this the.

Bertie Lyles

## BIDS WANTED

NOTICE TO BIDDERS (Legal)—SEALED PROPOSALS, addressed to C. A. Hickman, President Board of Directors, Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, Fort Worth, Texas, for the control and Improvement District No. 1, Fort Worth, Texas, for the control and Improvements in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by and which may be obtained from Hawley and Freese, will be received at the office of Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, until 10:00 A. M. November 5th, 1937, and then publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened. The Owner expects to have available not to exceed \$51,000.00 for this contract. All work in response to this advertisement must be completed in one hundred eighty (180), calendar days after the date for comcencing work as stated in the work order. A Cashier's check, certified check or acceptable bidder's bond, payable to the Owner, in amount not less than five (5) per cent of the largest possible total for the bid submitted, including consideration of alternates, must accompany each bid. Attention is called to the fact that there must be paid on this project not less than the general prevailing rates of wages which have been established by the Owner as the following:

SKILLED WORKMEN OR MECHAN-ICS WHOSE MINIMUM RATE SHALL BE: \$8.00 per diem based on 8 hours, \$1.00 per hour:
Blacksmith Carpenter Foreman—Trade General Foreman Iron Worker Hoisting Motorized Equipment Machinist Motorized Equipment

Operators:
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Labor Foreman 4.00 .50
Plowman 4.00 .50
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Teamster—More than three
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Serving Labor:
Laborer who delivers material to Mechanic as the last operation prior to installation or assists the mechanic without the use of tools 4.00 .50

UNSKILLED LABORERS
Common Laborers 3.20 .40
Watchman 3.20 .40
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In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating prices in the proposal, the Owner reserves the right to adopt the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject the proposal. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities. Plans and specifications may be examined, without charge, in the office of the Engineers and may be procured from Hawley and Vecese, 407
Capps Bidg., Fort Worth, Texas, upon a deposit of \$20.00 as a guarantee of their safe return of the plans and specifications, the full amount of which will be returned to each actual bidder upon the return of the plans and specifications, the full amount of which will be returned to each actual bidder upon the return of the plans and specifications within ten (10) days after receipt of hids. Additional sets of plans and specifications may be procured from the above upon a deposit of \$20.00 each, as a guarantee of their safe return within thirty (30) days from date of opening bids. in which event \$10.00 (amount of deposit less actual cost of reproduction) of the deposit will be returned.—Tarrant Country Water Control and Improvement District No. 1. 406 Capps Bidg.; C. A. Hickman, President; W. K. Stripling, Secretary: B. G. Enderess.

JOHN B. HAWLEY S. W. FREESE M. C. NICHOLS H. A. HUNTER S. G. ENDRESS

EXHIBIT "B" 11/5/37

HAWLEY, FREESE AND NICHOLS

CONSULTING ENGINEERS
ESTABLISHED 1894
407-410 CAPPS BUILDING
FORT WORTH. TEXAS

Nov. 5, 1937

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Docket No. 5984
Tarrant County WC&ID No. 1
Levee Improvements
E. R. No. 696-B2

Board of Directors, Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District Number One, Fort Worth, Texas.

Gentlemen:

We transmit herewith a tabulation of the bids this morning received for the construction of Unit B2 of the levee improvement work, a part of the above designated project. As shown on this tabulation, the bid of W. G. Humphreys of Omaha, Nebraska, in an amount of \$39,046.00, is the low bid and it is our recommendation that the contract be awarded to this bidder subject to the approval of the Public Works Administration.

This bid was not accompanied by an Experience Record or Financial Statement and as permitted by the PWA the bidder should be requested to submit this information immediately.

Respectfully,

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