

MOTION

NO. M-21-34

CITY HALL: January 28, 2021

BY: COUNCILMEMBERS MORENO, GIARRUSSO, BANKS AND BROSSETT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3-130 of the Home Rule Charter of the City of New Orleans (“Charter”), the New Orleans City Council exercises powers of supervision, regulation, and control over electric and gas utilities providing service in the City; and

WHEREAS, Section 158-432(b) of the Code of the City of New Orleans (“Code”) provides that the Council may appoint a hearing officer to preside over utility regulatory proceedings in accordance with the Charter and Chapter 158 of the Code; and

WHEREAS, August 20, 2020, the Council adopted Motion M-20-269 authorizing the issuance of a request for qualifications and proposals (“RFQ/P”) and a competitive selection process pursuant to Council Rule 42 to identify an independent consultant to perform a demand side management potential study; and

WHEREAS, Council staff issued the RFQ/P on December 10, 2020 with a deadline for responses set for January 8, 2021; and

WHEREAS, in response to the RFQ/P, one (1) response was delivered to the Council Utilities Regulatory Office from GDS Associates, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the staff selection review committee met on Friday, January 22 and evaluated the response, deemed it to be responsive to the RFQ/P, and referred it to the Council for their consideration; **NOW THEREFORE**

BE IT MOVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, That the President of the Council is hereby authorized to sign a contract with GDS Associates, Inc.

BE IT FURTHER MOVED, That such contract shall be properly routed in accordance with normal process and the City Council Rules.

THE FOREGOING MOTION WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE ADOPTION THEREOF, AND RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

AND THE MOTION WAS ADOPTED.