

Ebola Cases In NY And Mali Creates Travel Fears

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WASHINGTON — The Ebola virus's arrival in New York City and yet another West African nation — Mali — renewed questions Friday about whether stricter travel restrictions would help lock down the deadly disease. The governors of New York and New Jersey went ahead and issued their own quarantine order.

There was good news, too, as one of the two American nurses who caught Ebola from a patient headed home from the hospital, stopping by the White House to get a celebratory hug from President Barack Obama. European nations pledged more money to fight the virus in Africa.

A look at Ebola developments worldwide:

NERVOUS NEW YORKERS

Many New Yorkers were rattled by the news that a doctor unknowingly infected with the virus had ridden the subway, visited parks and gone bowling after returning from treating Ebola patients in

Guinea. Health officials said Dr. Craig Spencer followed U.S. and international protocols by checking his temperature daily and seeking treatment Thursday when he suffered diarrhea and a 100.3-degree fever.

He was listed in stable condition Friday at a special isolation unit at Bellevue Hospital Center, and a decontamination company was sent to his Harlem home. His fiancée, who was not showing symptoms, was in quarantine.

Ebola isn't contagious until the infected person becomes ill, and city officials tried to reassure New Yorkers. But some people were breaking out the hand sanitizer and imagining scenarios where Ebola might spread through the city's subway and other crowded spaces.

"There is no cause for alarm," Mayor Bill de Blasio said. "New Yorkers who have not been exposed to an infected person's bodily fluids are simply not at risk."

QUARANTINE QUESTION

The New York case prompted the governors of

New York and New Jersey to issue a 21-day quarantine for any travelers, including doctors, who had contact with Ebola patients in West Africa.

Earlier in the day, at a congressional hearing, some U.S. lawmakers urged a travel ban or a quarantine. It can take up to 21 days after someone is infected to become sick.

They cited errors in the handling of the Dallas Ebola case and said the New York situation exposed more problems with the government's response to the disease.

"I can tell you it's not working. All you need to do is look at Craig Spencer," said Rep. John Mica, R-Fla.

Rep. Stephen Lynch, D-Mass., said health authorities weren't taking the threat seriously enough.

"This can't just be about ideology and happy talk," Lynch said.

Dr. Nicole Lurie, assistant HHS secretary for preparedness and response, told lawmakers a travel ban would be counterproductive and make it harder to stop the disease in West Africa, where the hardest-hit nations are desperate

for more resources and medical help.

"There is an epidemic of fear, but not of Ebola, in the United States," Lurie said.

Doctors Without Borders, which has been at the forefront of the battle against Ebola, stuck by its guidelines for health workers returning from the hot zone. They are closely monitored for disease and don't need to be quarantined if they aren't showing symptoms, the group said in a statement.

Samaritan's Purse, a Christian relief organization based in North Carolina, said that its returning aid workers spend three weeks isolated in a "safe house," where they are monitored for fever and asked to stay away from crowds and not visit with family.

NOW IN MALI, TOO

A 2-year-old girl who traveled by bus from Guinea with her grandmother died of Ebola after arriving in Mali. It was the first case in that West African nation, and World Health Organization officials say that because the child was sick and bleeding from her nose, she may have infected

many people. Health officials are monitoring 43 people, including 10 health care workers, who might have been exposed and the WHO is sending experts to help.

The disease is out of control in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone. Cases also have reached Nigeria and Senegal since the outbreak began in March, but those West African countries were able to stop its spread.

More than 4,800 people have died in the outbreak.

NURSES ON THE MEND

The two nurses who caught Ebola from a hospital patient in Dallas are now free of the disease.

The first to fall ill, Nina Pham, left a government hospital near Washington with a big smile, telling reporters she was eager to reunite with her dog, Bentley, who had been put in quarantine. The King Charles Spaniel so far has tested negative for the disease.

"I feel fortunate and blessed to be standing here today," Pham told reporters outside the hospital.

Pham, 26, was invited to the White House afterward, where Obama hugged her and praised the bravery of health care workers who put themselves at risk to help Ebola patients.

Pham and co-worker Amber Vinson were infected while caring for a Liberian man at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas.

Thomas Eric Duncan, who became sick after traveling to the U.S., died in the hospital Oct. 8.

Vinson "is making good progress" and tests no longer find any Ebola virus in her blood, Emory University Hospital said in a statement Friday. She remains hospitalized.

EUROPE STEPS UP

The 28 nations of the European Union are pledging more than 1 billion euros — or about \$1.26 billion — to the Ebola cause.

"Helping West Africa to cope with the crisis is the most effective way to prevent a serious outbreak of the disease elsewhere," EU leaders said Friday in a statement at the end of their two-day fundraising summit.

Acapella

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choir that primarily sings top Billboard charts, musical theater and popular oldies.

Dr. Kenneth Tice, assistant professor of music at MMC, said that Smooth Benediction became involved in the show after the acapella ensemble auctioned off a performance to a Sweet Adeline performer.

"Marilyn Hansen was the winning bid, and we agreed to come and play this concert," he said. "We are ex-

cited to premiere some new music, sing some old favorites and perform alongside of the Sweet Adelines."

Mary Ulrich, President of the Sweet Adelines, said that she is also excited to perform in a show with Smooth Benediction.

"Since Yankton has outstanding talent, we wanted to use local people," said Ulrich. "They are very good."

Ulrich and Christiansen have been members of the Sweet Adelines for 25 years.

"There was just an ad in the paper that said come and sing if you like to sing," Christiansen said. "And I

love to sing." Ulrich was lured into the group by a friend in 1984.

"I had been singing in church and at weddings before but I had no musical education," she said. "But I always enjoyed singing."

The two are original members of the Sweet Adelines quartet group, The Interchangeables.

"We got the name because so many people were in and out of our group for a while," Ulrich said. "Sometimes we would have one lead and three basses singing at once."

The group ended up with four permanent members,

which included Gloria Brandon singling lead and Dorothy Olson singing bass.

"We have sang everywhere," Ulrich said.

The women took their skills all the way to Washington D.C. where they performed for Tim Johnson at the Capitol Building.

"We have had so many lovely experiences," said Christiansen. "From Washington D.C. to Branson, Missouri, and everywhere in-between."

We then lost two of our members who passed away.

"They were with us for many years," said Ulrich. "We are sad to see them

pass, but we are very fortunate to recruit Minnie Schenkel and Marilyn Hansen to join us this year. Together, the four of us have many years of barbershop practices."

Ulrich said that she hope the audience will enjoy their new blend.

For more information about this event or on the

Rivercity Harmony Sweet Adelines, contact Phyllis Christiansen at (605) 668-0659.

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pay principal of and interest and Administrative Surcharge on the Revenue Bond when due.

4.3. Segregation. The Finance Officer shall set up bookkeeping accounts in accordance with South Dakota Legislative Audit guidelines for the segregation of the revenue and surcharge.

4.4. Periodic review. The amount of the surcharge shall be reviewed from time to time, not less than yearly, and shall be modified in order to produce such funds as are necessary and required to comply with the Loan Agreement's rate covenant and to pay principal of, interest and Administrative Surcharge on the Revenue Bond when due. The surcharge may be set by resolution in accordance with this Section. The rate resolution shall be necessary for the support of government and shall be effective upon passage.

SECTION 5. Additional Bonds. As permitted by Sections 8 and 9 of the Act, Additional Bonds payable from revenues and income of the System or the Project may be issued, as permitted in the Loan Agreement, and no provision of this Resolution shall have the effect of restricting the issuance of, or impairing the lien of, such additional parity bonds with respect to the net revenues or income from the extensions, additions or improvements. The City shall have the right to issue additional bonds secured by a lien subordinate to the lien from the Revenue Bond pursuant to the Loan Agreement.

SECTION 6. Project Fund Accounts. For the purpose of application and proper allocation of the income of the Project and to secure the payment of principal, Administrative Surcharge and interest on the Revenue Bond, the following mandatory asset segregations shall be included in the water account of the City and shall be used solely for the following respective purposes until payment in full of the principal of and interest on the Revenue Bond:

6.1. Project Revenue Account. There shall be deposited periodically into the Project Revenue Account the net revenues as defined in Section 17 of the Act derived from the operation of the Project collected pursuant to the resolutions and ordinances of the City of Yankton, South Dakota (collectively the "Rate Resolution"). Moneys from the Project Revenue Account shall be transferred periodically into separate funds and accounts as provided below.

6.2. Project Debt Service Account. Out of the revenues in the Project Revenue Account, there shall be set aside no later than the 25th day of each month into the account designated Project Debt Service Account, a sum sufficient to provide for the payment as the same become due of the next maturing principal

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of, interest and Administrative Surcharge on the Revenue Bonds and any reserve determined by the City's governing body to be necessary. The amount set aside monthly shall be not less than one-third of the total principal, interest, and Administrative Surcharge payable on the following January 15, April 15, July 15, or October 15 and if there shall be any deficiency in the amount previously set aside, then the amount of such deficiency shall be added to the current requirement.

6.3. Depreciation Account. There shall be established a General Depreciation Account. Out of the revenues of the Project Revenue Account there shall be set aside each month into the General Depreciation Account an amount determined by the Common Council to be a proper and adequate amount for repair and depreciation of the Project.

6.4. Project Surplus Account. There shall be established the Project Surplus Account. Revenues remaining in the Project Revenue Account at the end of any fiscal year after all periodic transfers have been made therefrom as above required, shall be deemed to be surplus and shall be transferred to the Project Surplus Account. If at any time there shall exist any default in making any periodic transfer to the Project Debt Service Account, the Common Council shall authorize the City Finance Officer to rectify such default so far as possible by the transfer of money from the Project Surplus Account. If any such default shall exist as to more than one account or fund at any time, then such transfer shall be made in the order such funds and accounts are listed above.

When not required to restore a current deficiency in the Project Debt Service Account, moneys in the Project Surplus Account from time to time may be used for any of the following purposes and not otherwise:

(a) To redeem and prepay the Revenue Bond when and as such Revenue Bond becomes prepayable according to its terms;

(b) To pay for repairs of or for the construction and installation of improvements or additions to the System; and, if the balances in the Project Debt Service Account and the Project Depreciation Account are sufficient to meet all payments required or reasonably anticipated to be made there from prior to the end of the then current fiscal year, then:

(c) To be held as a reserve for redemption and prepayment of any bonds of the System which are not then but will later be prepayable according to their terms; or

(d) To be used for any other authorized municipal purpose designated by the Common Council.

(e) No moneys shall at any time be transferred from the Project Surplus Account or any other ac-

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count of the Fund to any other fund of the City, nor shall such moneys at any time be loaned to other municipal funds or invested in warrants, special improvements bonds or other obligations payable from other funds, except as provided in this Section.

SECTION 7. Approval of Paying Agent/Registrar. The Revenue Bond shall be payable at the office of The First National Bank in Sioux Falls, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, hereby designated as paying agent and registrar.

SECTION 8. Approval of Bond Counsel. Meierhenry Sargent LLP is hereby retained as Bond Counsel with respect to the Revenue Bond.

SECTION 9. Tax Matters. The Interest on the Revenue Bond shall be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("the Code") and applicable Treasury Regulations (the "Regulations").

SECTION 10. Covenants. The City hereby covenants and agrees with the District and other owners of the Revenue Bond as follows:

10.1. The City will punctually perform all duties with reference to the Project, the System and the Revenue Bond required by the constitution and laws of the State of South Dakota and by this Resolution.

10.2. The City agrees and covenants that it will promptly construct the improvements included in the Project.

10.3. The City covenants and agrees that pursuant to Sections 25 through 27 of the Act, the lawful holders of the Revenue Bond shall have a statutory mortgage lien upon the Project and the extensions, additions and improvements thereto acquired pursuant to the Act, until the payment in full of the principal and interest on the Revenue Bond, and the City agrees not to sell or otherwise dispose of the System, the Project, or any substantial part thereof, except as provided in the Loan Agreement and shall not establish, authorize or grant a franchise for the operation of any other utility supplying like products or services in competition therewith, or permit any person, firm or corporation to compete with it in the distribution of water for municipal, industrial, and domestic purposes within the City.

10.4. The City covenants and agrees with the District and other owners of the Revenue Bond that it will maintain the System in good condition and operate the same in an efficient manner and at a reasonable cost, so long as any portion of the Revenue Bond remains outstanding; that it will maintain insurance on the System for the benefit of the holders of the Revenue Bond in an amount which usually would be carried by private companies in

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a similar type of business; that it will prepare, keep and file records, statements and accounts as provided for in this Resolution and the Loan Agreement. The Revenue Bond shall refer expressly to this Resolution and the Act and shall state that it is subject to all provisions and limitations thereof pursuant to Section 19 of the Act.

SECTION 11. Depositories. The Finance Officer shall cause all moneys pertaining to the Funds and Accounts to be deposited as received with one or more banks which are duly qualified public depositories under the provisions of SDCL Ch. 4-6A, in a deposit account or accounts, which shall be maintained separate and apart from all other accounts of the City, so long as any of the Bonds and the interest thereon shall remain unpaid. Any of such moneys not necessary for immediate use may be deposited with such depository banks in savings or time deposits. No money shall at any time be withdrawn from such deposit accounts except for the purposes of the Funds and Accounts as authorized in this Resolution; except that moneys from time to time on hand in the Funds and Accounts may at any time, in the discretion of the City's governing body, be invested in securities permitted by the provisions of SDCL 4-5-6; provided, however, that the Depreciation Fund may be invested in such securities maturing not later than ten years from the date of the investment. Income received from the deposit or investment of moneys shall be credited to the Fund or Account from whose moneys the deposit was made or the investment was purchased, and handled and accounted for in the same manner as other moneys therein.

SECTION 12. Consent to Appointment. In the event of mismanagement of the Project, a default in the payment of the principal or interest of the Revenue Bond, or in any other condition thereof materially affecting the lawful holder of the Revenue Bond, or if the revenues of the Project are dissipated, wasted or diverted from their proper application as set forth in the Loan Agreement, Revenue Bond, or herein, the City hereby consents to the appointment of a receiver pursuant to Section 33 of the Act, and agrees that the receiver will have the powers set forth therein, and in Sections 34 and 35 of the Act to operate and administer the Project, and charge and collect rates as described therein.

SECTION 13. Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution, the Loan Agreement, the Revenue Bond, or any other Loan Document shall be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Resolution or said Loan Agreement, Revenue Bond, or

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any other Loan Document.

SECTION 14. Repeal of Resolution. At such time as the Revenue Bond are defeased or paid in full, this Resolution and the special charge or surcharge shall automatically be repealed without any further action of the City.

SECTION 15. Authorization of City Officials. The Mayor, Finance Officer, City Attorney and City officials shall be and they are hereby authorized to execute and deliver for and on behalf of the City any and all other certificates, documents or other papers and to perform such other acts as they may deem necessary or appropriate in order to implement and carry out the actions authorized herein.

SECTION 16. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect on the 20th day following its publication, unless suspended by a referendum.

Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay:." None. Motion adopted.

Action 14-261
Moved by Commissioner Blaalid, seconded by Commissioner Gross, to approve Change Order No. 1 from Traffic Solutions, Inc., Harrisburg, South Dakota, for the 2014 Cold Applied Plastic Pavement Marking Installation Project, an increase of \$4,662.34 for a new contract total of \$52,044.84; to accept the project as complete; and to authorize the Finance Officer to issue a manual check in the amount of \$52,044.84 to Traffic Solutions, Inc., as final payment for the project. (Memorandum 14-180)
Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay:." None. Motion adopted.

Action 14-262
Moved by Commissioner Hoffner, seconded by Commissioner Aklund, to adopt Resolution 14-45. (Memorandum 14-184)

RESOLUTION 14-45

WHEREAS, SDCL 6-13-1 requires a municipality owning personal property which is no longer necessary, useful, or suitable for municipal purposes shall, by resolution, declare it surplus and may, by resolution, order the sale, trade, destruction or other disposal of said personal property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following personal property be declared no longer necessary, useful, or suitable for municipal purposes and said property shall be disposed of in accordance with SDCL 6-13-1, et sequential:

SURPLUS PROPERTY TO BE DESTROYED

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Pedestrian bridge over Marne Creek at the extension of the alley between Linn and Locust Street

Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay:." None. Motion adopted.

Action 14-263
This was the time and place to award the bid for the custom chassis 100 foot aerial platform fire apparatus with pump and fixtures for the Fire Department. One bid was received and opened on October 1, 2014: Smeal Fire Apparatus/Danko Emergency Equipment, Snyder, Nebraska - Base Bid of \$915,176.00; Alternate No. 1-loose equipment and hose-\$8,039.00; Alternate No. 2-discount of \$8,353.00 for payment for apparatus chassis at time of delivery; Alternate No. 3-discount of \$1,000.00 for delivery at factory. (Memorandum 14-179)
Moved by Commissioner Aklund, seconded by Commissioner Blaalid, to award the bid to the only bidder, Smeal Fire Apparatus/Danko Emergency Equipment, Snyder, Nebraska, for Base Bid, Alternate No. 1 and No. 2, for a total purchase price of \$914,862.00.
Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay:." None. Motion adopted.

Action 14-264
Moved by Commissioner Aklund, seconded by Commissioner Sommer, to adjourn into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m., to discuss contractual matters.
Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay:." None. Motion adopted.

Regular meeting of the Board of City Commissioners of the City of Yankton was reconvened by Mayor Carda.
Roll Call: Present: Commissioners Aklund, Blaalid, Ferdig, Gross, Hoffner, Knoff, Sommer, and Womern. City Attorney Den Herder and City Manager Nelson were also present. Absent: None. Quorum present.

Action 14-265
Moved by Commissioner Gross, seconded by Commissioner Aklund, to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.
Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay:." None. Motion adopted.

David Carda
Mayor

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