



Public Works Committee

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Alderman Chris Gelting
Alderman Ken Howell

Alderman Al Kupsik
Alderman Sarah Hill

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November 12, 2015 Meeting Minutes

DATE: November 12, 2015

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman Bob Kordus & Members of the Public Works Committee

FROM: Daniel S. Winkler, P.E. DSW
Director of Public Works & Utilities

SUBJECT: November 12, 2015 Public Works Committee Meeting Agenda

The Public Works Committee is scheduled to meet at **5:00 PM** at City Hall.

Members in attendance:

Chairman Bob Kordus X
Alderman Chris Gelting _____
Alderman Sarah Hill _____
Alderman Al Kupsik X
Alderman Ken Howell X

Staff Present:

City Administrator Blaine Oborn Late__
Director Daniel Winkler (DPW) Late__
Mayor Jim Connors X
Assistant DPW Tom Earle X

Other: _____

Public in attendance: Mr. Chris Schultz of the Regional News, Ms. Sylvia Mullally, Parking Enforcement Director.

Approval of the Minutes of the Prior (October) Meeting:

Motion to approve the minutes of the prior meeting by Ald. Howell and seconded by Ald. Kupsik . The motion passed 3-0.

Public Comments:

None.

Communications:

None.

Public Works Projects Update

The list and updates on the various Public Works projects were discussed in brief.

Agenda Items:

1. Discussion of Traffic Control at the intersections of Center/Dodge, Williams/George and Dodge/Broad Streets continued from the October meeting.

This item was tabled to a future meeting.

2) Consideration of the following TIF #4 Projects to approve engineering and bid specification expenditures to be sent to Council:

- a) Engineering Proposal from Kapur to re-evaluate and update signal timings and traffic flow Downtown.**
- b) Bury Power lines on Main Street from Curtis Street to Downtown.**
- c) Upgrade downtown signage.**
- d) Riviera grounds rehabilitation.**

2a.) Assistant DPW Earle explained he and DPW Winkler met with TAPCO for an hour on 11 Nov. and many 'bugs' and corrupted data were repaired. Signal at Cook and Main was reprogrammed for winter as well as all the turn lanes on Main and Broad. Assistant DPW Earle explained the schedule; 7am-5:30pm normal. 5:31pm to 12am 'speedy'. 12:01am-6:59am flash. With Main having yellow and north-south streets flashing red. This item was tabled.

Motion by Ald. Howell, 2nd by Ald. Kupsik, and passed 3-0 to wait and see how the signals perform for a while before going any further with signal design changes.

2b.) The project was discussed. The Committee wished to have DPW Winkler to bring back the project when prices are more definitive.

Motion by Chair Kordus, 2nd by Ald. Howell, and passed 3-0 to direct directed DPW Winkler to proceed with obtaining prices from all affected utilities based on the project scope in the packet.

2c.) Signage was discussed including parking lot signage and directional signage. Chair Kordus asked Sylvia Mullally to bring back information on prices on making all parking signs in the city uniform. We now have several different styles and Sylvia would like to make them uniform so they are easier to spot. DPW Winkler is to contact the Chamber and ask them to get prices for replacing and/or rehabbing all wayfaring signs downtown.

Direction of the Committee was by consensus.

2d.) It was discussed that the Beautification Committee would like to rehabilitate the Driehaus Plaza and were approved by the PWC to take the lead and work with the DPW in developing a plan for the area, obtaining prices, project plans/specs, bidding and construction. Estimates now are in the \$160-200k range with the City supplying half that amount. Kupsik asked if TIF can be used. The response from Mayor Connors was that there were still funds in that project account.

Motion to direct staff to move forward as discussed by Ald. Howell, 2nd by Ald. Kupsik. The motion passed 3-0.

Motion to Adjourn:

It was moved by Chair Kordus to adjourn and seconded by Ald. Kupsik. The motion passed 3-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 5:16 PM.

Cc: Mayor Jim Connors/Blaine Oborn/Sabrina Waswo/Common Council Members not on Committee/File