



Public Works Committee

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February 2014 Meeting Minutes

DATE: February 14, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman Bill Mott & Members of the Public Works Committee

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

SUBJECT: February 13, 2013 Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes

The Public Works Committee is scheduled to meet at **6:00 PM** at City Hall.

Members in attendance:

Chairman Bill Mott X
Alderman Gary Hougen X
Alderman Jeff Wall X
Alderman Sarah Hill _____
Alderman Al Kupsik X

Staff Present:

City Administrator Dennis Jordan X
Director Daniel Winkler (DPW) X
Other: _____
Mayor Jim Connors: X
Other: _____

Public in attendance: _____

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

Motion to approve by Ald. Wall, seconded by Ald. Kupsik, and passed 4-0.

Public Comments:

None.

Communications:

1. 2013-2014 Winter Snow Update-DPW Winkler provided an update for information including comparisons to last year.
2. Downtown Traffic Signals Settings Update-DPW Winkler provided the present winter timings. There was no feedback or request to modify them.
3. Projects Update-DPW Winkler provided an update on the status of the City's various projects underway.

Agenda Items Discussed:

1. Capital Equipment Replacement Fund-Rotary Mower Project Approval.
2. Dog Park Fencing Project Approval.
3. Request for Children Playing Signs-Dodge Street Between Forest Street & Elmwood Avenue.
4. Disc Golf Course Pedestrian Bridges Repairs Discussion.
5. Edwards Boulevard South of STH 50 – Median Barriers.

Agenda Item No. 1- Capital Equipment Replacement Fund-Rotary Mower Project Approval.

The DPW discussed the attached specification and requested approval to take it to bids. It was moved by Chair Mott to approve the project for bidding. The motion was seconded by Ald. Wall. Mayor Connors wished to make sure the since one of the mowers was slightly less than 11' wide that the specification didn't exclude it. The motion passed 4-0.

Agenda Item No. 2- Dog Park Fencing Project Approval.

The DPW explained that the Park Commission has forwarded the fencing project to PWC for project approval to obtain bids. Ald. Kupsik explained the dog park project and that a donor may contribute the entire amount. It was moved by Ald. Kupsik and seconded by Ald. Wall to proceed to publicly bid the fencing pending confirmation of private funding to pay for it. The motion passed 4-0.

Agenda Item No. 3- Request for Children Playing Signs-Dodge Street Between Forest Street & Elmwood Avenue.

The DPW shared a request including a map for protective signage on Dodge Street coming down the hill from Forest Street. It was moved by Ald. Kupsik and seconded by Ald. Hougen to approve. The motion passed 4-0.

Agenda Item No. 4- Disc Golf Course Pedestrian Bridges Repairs Discussion. (Taken out of order first item on a motion by Chair Mott and second by Ald. Kupsik, and passing unanimously).

Mr. Don Ditzenberger and his son Zak appeared to offer to build a replacement bridge as an eagle scout project at the disc golf course. It would be the far north bridge. The discussion included if the City should fund the materials or if it should fund the difference beyond what the scout could raise. It was moved by Ald. Kupsik and seconded by Ald. Hougen to accept the offer. The discussion was that if the scouts couldn't raise sufficient funds or donations to pay for the materials that the City would contribute. The motion passed 5-0.

The DPW provided pictures and a map of the various bridges over the White River on the old Hillmoor site. The bridges were numbered 1-5 from south to north. The discussion was over which bridges should be repaired and which could be eliminated. It was moved by Chair Mott and seconded by Ald. Kupsik to abandon bridge #2. The motion passed 4-0. It was moved by Chair Mott to eliminate either bridge #3 or #4 depending upon condition and best fit with the disc golf course layout. The discussion was to have the DPW look over these two bridges and the underlying span-crete decks and determine condition. The motion passed 4-0. It was by consensus to have DPW Winkler bid out handrailing and new decking on bridge #1, obtain pricing for the removal of bridges #2 and #5 in the bid, and evaluate which bridge to replace decking (either #3 or #4). The discussion was to perhaps leave the span-crete decking in place on the bridge not upgraded with new decking and railing. By consensus, it was also discussed to bid a more durable decking material than treated lumber.

Agenda Item No. 5- Edwards Boulevard South of STH 50 – Median Barriers.

DPW Winkler explained that we had installed the orange plastic posts in the median where traffic often crosses over it by Taco Bell. Chair Mott felt concrete highway barriers were needed to keep people from ever crossing. The DPW wasn't able to obtain concrete median barrier prices prior the meeting to give an idea of cost. It was moved by Chair Mott and seconded by Ald. Kupsik to obtain pricing. Questions which arose included if the WDOT needed to grant approval of them and what the accident history was. The motion failed on a 2-2 vote (Hougen and Wall against.)

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn was made by Ald. Wall and seconded by Ald. Hougen. The motion passed 4-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM.

Cc: Mayor Jim Connors/Dennis Jordan/Tim Neubeck/Common Council Members not on Committee/File