



MANAGERS REPORT

DATE: August 11, 2022
TO: Mayor Benage and City Council
FROM: Ty Lasher, City Manager
RE: August 16, 2022 Agenda

Consent Agenda (Item VI)

Contains the minutes of the August 2nd City Council meeting as well as a revised petition for sanitary sewer main in Skyview at Block 49 2nd Addition, Phase 1. Bids were received a week ago and the low bid came in \$10,000 above the petition amount. The developer agreed to the additional cost and has signed a revised petition with the higher amount.

Appropriations Ordinance (Item VII)

Public Works continue to purchase meter supplies from Core and Main for the new construction locations. Cost is split between water and sewer funds as the expense is off-set by the water and sewer tap fees. The approved \$66,992.80 purchase of a Crack Sealing machine from Crafcro is included in this reporting period.

2023 City of Bel Aire Budget (Item A)

Council held final discussions on the proposed 2023 budget at the August 9th workshop. The adoption process requires the mill rate and total revenues / expenditures be calculated and published. This action approves the summary numbers and mill rate to be published and schedules a public hearing. Line items can be adjusted within the budget and dollars lowered before the final budget is approved. However, the total numbers and mill levy cannot be increased once published. If approved, the public hearing will be set for September 6th at 7:00 p.m. Staff feels the final numbers reflect Council direction from the workshops and recommends the budget be approved for publication.

Bid for Sewer Main Replacements (Item B):

The city budgets annually to replace old water mains that are cast iron and / or have developed numerous leaks. Staff has determined Aurora Park and 41st Street water mains meet the criteria and are next on the list. The 2022 budget contains \$600,000 for such expenses. Staff contacted five companies with four submitting bids. UMC does a lot of work in Bel Aire and staff recommends accepting the low bid of \$430,488.00 from UMC.

Proposal for Purchase of One-Ton Truck (Item C):

The 2022 budget contains \$55,000 in the CIP for a replacement public works truck. Staff requested bids for a one-ton flatbed to all local truck dealerships. Due to the supply chain issues, no bids were received. Unfortunately, they are unable to bid on a 2023 model until October when they will receive pricing from the manufacturer, and an order may be placed starting in January with delivery expected in 6-9 months (July – October of 2023). Staff reached out to each dealership asking if they had any one-ton trucks in stock. Don Hattan actually had a 2022 one-ton cab and chassis on the lot with a diesel motor. The proposal includes the cost of outfitting with a flatbed provided by Midwest Truck. Staff discussed the proposal and agree that, although it does not meet the quad cab and four-wheel drive specifications they had requested, the department is in dire need of the replacement and can't wait for a year or more. The four-wheel drive is only needed during snow and considering we don't have a lot of snow days, they could forego that requirement. The one-ton is a must as is the diesel motor due to hauling. Considering the ongoing delays and difficulties in the vehicle market, staff recommends that Council take advantage of the offer and accept the proposal in the amount not to exceed \$53,000.