



Special Committee of the Whole Minutes

Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 6:30 PM

Columbus City Hall – 105 N. Dickason Boulevard

Roll Call

Mayor Joe Hammer called the Special Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 6:30pm. Members present included Mayor Joe Hammer, Alderperson Trina Reid, Alderperson Michael Lawson, Alderperson Ryan Rostad and Alderperson Molly Finkler.

ABSENT:

Council President Amy Roelke and Alderperson Sarah Motiff.

Notice of Open Meeting

Noted as posted.

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Alderperson Rostad, Seconded by Alderperson Finkler to approve the agenda. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment

None.

New Business

1. Discussion on Zoning and Subdivision Code Amendment Request for Proposals:

Community and Economic Director, Mike Kornmann, shared that this Request for Proposals (RFP) provides the basis for the revision of the zoning and subdivision code across a two-year span. This is a tool to help implement our current Comprehensive Plan. The proposed selection review team includes the City Administrator, Mayor, Dir. of Community and Economic Development, Communications and Economic Development Coordinator and one Plan Commissioner. They will evaluate the proposals and bring forward the finalists to the Plan Commission for recommendation. Committee agreed to move forward to the February 4, 2025 Council meeting.

2. Discussion of Final Plat Cardinal Heights:

The final plat of Cardinal Heights was presented by Kornmann. Plan Commission is recommending approval after their review. The plat includes a storm water pond, as well as Lot 18 positioned beyond the 50' setback, and the farmhouse driveway access coming off of O'Brien Court. The MOA between the City and the Department of Transportation is expected to be ready for review at a February City Council meeting. Committee agreed to move forward to the February 4, 2025 Council meeting.

3. Discussion of ORD.2025-1 Zoning Map Amendment for Cardinal Heights Plat:

Zoning Map Amendment Ordinance 2025-1: Zoning Map Amendment for Cardinal Heights Plat, would change the zoning from Rural Development (RD) to Residential 3 (R3), Residential 4 (R4 - Multi-Family), and Public (P, for the out lot). The Plan Commission is recommending approval. Committee agreed to move forward to the September 4, 2025 Council meeting.

4. Discussion regarding Three Party Design Engineering Services Contract with WI Dept. of Transportation (WisDOT), Fehr Graham, and City of Columbus related to Tower Drive (Faith Drive to CTH K):

The City of Columbus was awarded a Wis DOT Grant for the reconstruction of Tower Drive from Faith Drive to CTH K, Project 6217-01-02. The project is scheduled for design in 2025, and construction in 2026. A requirement of the grant was for the City to follow the DOT Quality Based Selection (QBS) process for a design engineer. A team reviewed proposals received and selected Fehr Graham. The DOT negotiated the contract with Fehr Graham on behalf of the City. The contract is for \$155,596.92, of which \$86,044 is the portion the City is responsible for. Committee agreed to move forward to the February 4, 2025 Council meeting.

Adjourn

Motion made by Alderperson Finkler, Seconded by Alderperson Rostad to adjourn at 6:57pm. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

*These are Draft Minutes to be approved at a future Common Council Meeting.
Susan L. Caine, Clerk