

Public Works Commission Meeting

Tuesday, April 25, 2023

Commission members present: Alders. Bartz, Smith, Wetzels, Comm'r. Thompson

City employees present:

Public Works Director/City Engineer Jaynellen Holloway

Wastewater Utility Manager Pete Hartz

Assistant Wastewater Utility Manager Tim Hayden

City Attorney Steven Chesebro

City Finance Director Mark Stevens

1. Call to order

Meeting called to order at 5:31 p.m.

2. Comments and suggestions from citizens present

3. Review and approve minutes

- Public Works Commission meeting minutes from March 14, 2023
- Bike & Ped Task Force meeting minutes from August 23, 2023

Motion to approve Ald. Bartz

2nd Comm'r Thompson

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote

4. Business

Review and take possible action: Request for pavement improvements for Woodbridge Terrace and Fieldcrest Court

Mr. Charles Otto of Woodbridge Trail was present to request the City consider reworking his street and Fieldcrest Court. The Engineering Division received an email from a resident (Mr. Otto) sharing concerns about the above two streets and asking when the City would be addressing these streets. Engineering replied back stating that the two streets in question, Woodbridge Trail and Fieldcrest Court, were not in the City's 5 year capital plan for the Annual Street program. Engineering had identified them as possible additional resurfacing projects for this year, pending budget balance later this summer. Engineering brings these streets before this Commission for discussion and possible action.

Jayne Ellen stated that in a future PW meeting consideration will be included concerning additional streets to be added to the 2023 street program. Mr. Otto and the neighbors will be informed of the time of this meeting.

Review and take possible action: transfer up to 58.996 acres of land from the Wastewater Department to General City Fund

Ald. Bartz recalled the 2020 meeting and asked City Treasurer Stevens to give background as to why these funds were unrestricted

Ald. Bartz also asked if the water quality trading would be jeopardized in any way.

Pete Hartz assured that there would be no infringement on the trading and that there is plenty of room for more trading.

Comm'r. Thompson is there a specific delineation between land to be developed and land not to be developed.

Pete Hartz was not sure

Jaynellen stated that the wetlands delineation was not sure

Ald. Smith asked where the rental revenue for the land has been going since 2020 and Pete Hartz stated that it went to the Wastewater Utility.

Ald. Smith asked why the City is not purchasing the parcel.

Att. Chesebro stated that there is no issue with the City paying nothing.

Ald Smith asked the opinion of the Wastewater manager

Pete Hartz said the property has been under the purview of the Wastewater Utility and the price should be repaid to the Utility whether up front or by payments.

Pete Hartz asked why the Waste Water Utility could not market the property

Att. Chesbro said that Utilities are restricted in marketing product

Everyone was in agreement that the marketing of the property is in the best interest of the City.

Motion Ald Smith:

Postpone the current discussion of this resolution until legal certainty can be authenticated by our legal counsel

2nd Comm'r Thompson

Carried by unanimous voice vote

5. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn Ald. Smith

2nd Ald. Bartz

Carried by unanimous voice vote

Meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Wetzel

Public Works Commission Chair

Note: These minutes are uncorrected and any corrections made thereto will be noted in the proceedings at which these minutes are approved.