

PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MINUTES February 28, 2017

In Attendance

Councilman Ken Smith, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:09 p.m. in the Council Assembly Room. A quorum was present, including Council Chairman Moses Freeman, Vice Chair Jerry Mitchell and Council members Chris Anderson, Carol Berz, Russell Gilbert, Larry Grohn, Yusuf Hakeem and Chip Henderson. Also present was Deputy City Attorney Phil Noblett and Council Support Specialist Keren Campbell.

Others in Attendance

Public Works: Donald Stone, Deputy Administrator, and Bill Payne, City Engineer;
Transportation: Blythe Bailey, Administrator; Miller & Martin Firm: Mike Mallen, Attorney;
Coca-Cola Bottling Company: Darren Hodges, Division Director.

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Hakeem, the minutes of the last meeting (February 14, 2017) were approved as published.

Ordinances (Final Reading) - Agenda Item 5C

This item had been discussed at previous meetings. Upon no questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Ordinances (First Reading) - Agenda Item 6B & 6C

These items had been discussed at previous meetings. Upon no questions or comments, the issues were closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7C, 7D & 7E

Councilman Henderson asked Mr. Stone for a briefing on this item. Upon no questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7F

Councilman Anderson asked Mr. Stone for a briefing on this item. Upon no questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7G

Councilman Anderson asked Mr. Stone for a briefing on this item. Upon no questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7H

Councilman Hakeem asked for the proposing increase to the rates and where would this be. In addition, he wanted to know the history in the last five years and what measures would be taken when the study was completed. Mr. Payne addressed his concerns as well as those of Councilwoman Berz regarding the process being taken for this study. She also asked about other opportunities, cost and reallocation for effective use. Councilman Grohn requested the total amount of fund collected. Councilman Freeman asked if there was a third party involved and if there would be additional documentation required. Councilman Henderson asked for the services rendered on the ponds and the rates for the study. Councilman Gilbert asked if this part of the study was required by the State. Councilman Hakeem also inquired on the rates by individual property or on the City as whole. Councilman Gilbert added wanting to know if they will bring the study back to the Council once completed. Both Mr. Stone and Mr. Payne addressed these concerns. Upon no further questions, the issue was closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7I

This item had been discussed at previous meetings. Upon no questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7J

Mr. Bailey briefed the Council on this resolution. Councilman Henderson inquired about the number of bidders and how length of time for bids. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7K

Councilwoman Berz updated the Council on the project and expressed her thanks. Mr. Mallen thanked Councilman Gilbert and Councilwoman Berz for their help with this item. He then introduced Mr. Hodges, who also expressed his gratitude and excitement for the opportunity. Mr. Bailey echoed the sentiments. Councilman Hakeem questioned the partnership, but expressed being happy with it. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilman Smith adjourned the meeting at 3:58 p.m.