

PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MINUTES April 25, 2017

In Attendance

Councilwoman Carol Berz, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:26 p.m. in the Assembly Room. A quorum was present, including Council Chairman Jerry Mitchell, Vice-Chairman Ken Smith and Council members Anthony Byrd, Demetrus Coonrod, Russell Gilbert, Chip Henderson, Darrin Ledford and Erskine Oglesby. Deputy City Attorney Phil Noblett and Council Support Specialist Keren Campbell were also present.

Others in Attendance

Public Works: Justin Holland, Administrator, and Bill Payne, City Engineer; Administration: Maura Sullivan, Chief Operating Officer

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Ledford, the minutes of the last meeting (March 28, 2017) were approved as published.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7F

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

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7G

Mr. Holland made a presentation on this item and answered questions from Councilman Ledford on the category of the approval loan, the linear feet and the contingency amount. Upon no further questions or concerns, the issue was closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7H

Mr. Holland made a presentation on this item. After which, Councilman Gilbert questioned the problems with streams, the possibility of trees and the maintenance. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7I

Councilman Oglesby inquired about the professional service. He also inquired about additional services and fee, and whether the City was on track for completion of the project. Upon no further questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7J

Mr. Holland made a presentation to the Council on this agenda item. A discussion ensued with Mr. Holland, Mr. Payne and Ms. Sullivan.

- Councilman Byrd asked what the money was for and expressed concerns about the pipeline being next to Lincoln Park. He inquired about the difference between this project versus the 23rd Street issue. He also inquired about the alternate plan and design, how to proceed and details on the NEPA process. He expressed the community uproar about this project and requested that Public Works inform the community about what would be done.
- Mr. Payne addressed Councilman Henderson’s questions about the date of the design work, Phase One, funding sources, the general fund obligation and cost benefits. He also inquired about the design if the addition is not done.
- Councilman Gilbert informed Public Works that the Council had made a promise to preserve Lincoln Park and keep it historic.
- Councilman Ledford inquired about the current line and if it was in danger. He also inquired about whether the contract addressed issues that affect children.

Upon no further questions or further comments, the issue was closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7K

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

**Next Week’s Agenda:
May 2, 2017**

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7I

Mr. Holland informed the Council that this was not a consent decree items. Upon no questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7J & 7K

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

Resolutions – Agenda Item 7L

Councilwoman Berz asked for a presentation on this item from Mr. Holland. Upon no questions or comments, the issue was closed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilwoman Berz adjourned the meeting at 4:07 p.m.