

**CITY OF ORTING**  
**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**June 5, 2019 2:30 p.m.**

Councilmember Drennen called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.,  
in the Meeting Room at MPC/Library, 202 Washington Ave. S

**ATTENDANCE:**

Elected Officials: Present, Councilmember Drennen, and Councilmember Gunther arrived at 4:10

City Employees: Present, City Administrator Mark Bethune, Public Works Director Greg Reed, and Secretary Laura Hinds; City Treasurer Scott Larson and Building Official Tim Lincoln were absent.

Professional Representatives: Present, Parametrix Engineer JC Hungerford

Guests: Resident Sam Colorossi

**Approval of Minutes:**

Councilmember (CM) Drennen motioned to approve the minutes as presented.

**TRANSPORTATION:**

Facilitator: Councilmember Drennen

**1. Guests & Policy Issues:**

- A. Nunnally Ave NW & Lane Blvd NW:** Greg commented that he was approached by resident of Village Green Development who expressed concerns of the stop sign/stop bar placement at Nunnally Ave NW & Lane Blvd NW. City Engineer Hungerford confirmed that the Stop is set back to far and needs to be relocated forward so that drivers can see the oncoming vehicles safely. Greg suggests at time of street stripping to move the stop bar and sign.
- B. Exploring Congestion Reduction – No Updates**

**2. Phase 1 – SR 162 Pedestrian Bridge**

- A. Phase II Bridge Question - Safety of Pedestrian Bridge:** Mark Bethune provided thumb drives of the bridge design that will go over the river to the Public Safety Committee for review.
- B. State DOT Funding Status:** No Update
- C. Phase 1 SR 162 Bridge Crossing, Scope of Work Proposal 90% design:** JC will invite to the next regularly scheduled PW committee meeting a Parametrix lead structural engineer who can discuss the layout of the design. JC also mentioned the open side area of the bridge aesthetics with a Welcome to Orting sign or trees etc. CM Drennen would like to see options and present to planning

Commission for consideration. JC believes the project could be 90% shovel ready around the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of this year. Some grants that Mark Bethune will explore is the Safe Routes to School and RCO. CM Drennen would also like to present a summary of the project for public engagement.

**D. Rocky Road NE Easement Status – Appraisal:** No Update on easement status; the planning commission is working on emending the zoning requirements.

**E. Treasurer Report:** No Update.

**3. Transportation Benefit District (TBD):**

The TBD is a funding mechanism designed to tax City of Orting Residents \$20 per vehicle at time of renewing vehicle licensing tabs; 100% of this tax is returned to the City of Orting where 100% of the funds is used only for repair and maintenance of streets and pedestrian pathways. Please refer to RCW 36.73.010 thru RCW 36.73.180 for more information.

**A. Sidewalk Improvement Plan:** Bids will be ready to go out in the next week. Greg mentioned that the bid is focused on high traffic areas and has incorporated several ramps in the downtown corridor to bring to current ADA standards.

**B. Chip Seal/Micro Seal:** Bids will be ready to go out in the next week.

**4. Capital Improvement**

**A. Whitehawk South-West Connector ROW:** Parametrix won the RFP for engineering design of the project.

One of the property owners along the corridor will not allow the City to access their property to discuss ROW acquisition.

Parametrix is going to bring in a ROW expert from their office who can explain to the public the needs & goals of the project that will provide beneficial use to City residents and to all who drive through the City as a daily primary route.

**B. Kansas St SW Upgrade Scope and Budget Proposal 30% Pre-Design:** Remove from agenda until Whitehawk SW Connector can be achieved.

**5. Operations and Maintenance – Mark Barfield for Greg Reed**

- Carbon River Landing HOA is requesting stop signs at each intersection on Riddell Ave NE & on Daffodil Ave NE for traffic safety. City Engineer Hungerford's research found that the request did not meet the MUTCD guidelines.

Greg visited one site of concern at Carbon River Landing for 3 days during the hours of when children are released from school. What Greg witnessed was children accessing a pathway from SR 162 E, where the pathway lands at the corner of Voss Ave NE & Riddell Ave NE. The behavior he noticed was many of the children didn't necessarily use the sidewalks, but rather walked the down the middle of the street to go home; some children were playing in the street bouncing balls, and he also noticed sidewalk chalk markings on the street indicated that parents were allowing the children to play in the street. Also during this time, he noticed only one vehicle waiting to pick up a child.

At this time the request for stop signs will not be considered.

Mark Bethune suggested that the HOA may want to consider signs (portable KidAlert Visual Warning Signal with Flag, neon green) that could be posted to watch for children, children at play signs, etc.

CM Drennen suggested that if traffic patterns should change once Daffodil Ave NE is opened, that the City may consider a traffic count survey to determine certain factors for intersection control.

- Public Works crew will be starting roadway crack sealing and street stripping soon.

End of Transportation

## UTILITIES

Facilitator: Councilmember Gunther

### 6. Guests & Policy Issue

- A. **New Project Request Form** – Mark Bethune presented a form as a way to vet new projects. Due to lack of time at this meeting, he’s asking the committee to take a look at the form and save for discussion in July. CM Drennen said the form could be revised to better suit our needs.
- B. **Protect Public & Employees from biological agents** – The crew will relocate the biohazard sign to inside the gate, at the top of the driveway. Greg and CM Drennen both agreed that an information sign about City of Orting Treatment Facility Encourages Clean Waterways should be posted at the gates entrance. Greg will also have landscaping improvements made at gates entrance.
- C. **Permit Time Frames: Notice of Commencement of Work** – Changing permit time frames from 15 days to 6 months is in progress. The request will go to City Attorney for review at same time as item 6.D.
- D. **Side Sewer Ownership Code Update** – After reviewing several other City’s codes, Greg found that the City of Sumner’s side sewer code was close to the same need Orting’s code revision needs to look like. Greg will make some minor changes and incorporate it into the side sewer policy and send to the City Attorney for review, and to eventually go to Council for adoption.

### 7. WATER

- A. **SR 162 E. Water Line Crossing Design & 178<sup>th</sup> Scope & Budget** – Project is complete. Greg mentioned that contractor Durnford Construction was great to work with and even went beyond contract requirements and cleaned up the landscape and driveway area.
- B. **Well #3 Start-UP:** Crew are working on the chlorination system and then will be put on line for summer.

### 8. WASTEWATER

- A. **Puyallup River & Rainier View Lift Station** – Design will be done at the end of the month and one more coordination meeting with the County due to close proximity to the Puyallup River. Project expected to go out for bid by end of July.
- B. **I&I Sewer Relining** – Low bidder Insta-pipe was approved by Council last week. Pre-con expected in the next week.

- C. **WWTP Solids Handling Upgrade** – JC and Greg are working on the scope of work.

9. **STORMWATER**

- A. **Calistoga Setback Levee Lamp Process:** No update.
- B. **Village Green Outfall @ High Cedars** – Due to unknown mailing issues, the contract will be hand delivered to Camp Murray by Parametrix or funding will be pulled.
- C. **Review SWMP Plan & Code updates**– Revisions are ready to go to Council for adoption. JC will coordinate with the City Attorney to develop an ordinance.

10. **Operations and Maintenance – Mark Barfield for Greg Reed**

- A. **1005 Old Pioneer Way NW** – A contractor representing this property called JC to meet and discuss requirements. JC stated to the contractor that he would need to coordinate a time with City staff. JC sent out an email and never heard back from the contractor.

11. **Capital Facilities Update**

- A. **New Public Works Shop Update (location at 901 Rocky Rd NE):** Projected completion date is June 6<sup>th</sup> with a BBQ already scheduled on the same day. Greg is working with IT and phone company to have network brought in. Move in day will be a couple more weeks away.

12. **Technologies**

- A. **Asset Management Program** – The Aktivov program is in use by all of public works. CM Drennen would like a ‘show and tell’ to council, but Greg felt the crew wasn’t ready for that yet. That the program is still too new and would like a couple more months of use before doing so.
- B. **Broadband in our Community** – No Update

13. **Round Table**

- Sam stated some concerns about fast moving vehicles on Whitehawk Blvd. Appears this is a topic for public safety/OPD.

**14. Meeting Summary/Action Items / Set Next Agenda**

- Laura to:
  - Reach out to Carbon River Landing via email and inform them of committee decision about stop signs.
  - Update and prepare side sewer policy for review.
  - Work with Parametrix and send out for bid, Sidewalk and Chipseal Projects
  - To research signs for City of Orting Treatment Facility Encourages Clean Waterways to post at gate entrance.

**15. Meeting Adjourn:**

CM Gunther motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:25 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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Secretary Laura Hinds

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Councilmember Drennen

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Councilmember Gunther