

**CITY OF ORTING**  
**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**December 7, 2022, 2:30 p.m.**

Councilmember Bradshaw called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Elected Officials: Present, Councilmembers Bradshaw and Councilmember Williams

City Employees: Present, City Administrator Scott Larson, Finance Director Gretchen Russo, Public Works Director Greg Reed, Capital Projects Manager John Bielka, Public Works Administrative Assistant Laura Hinds, and PW Records Clerk Alison Williams. Absent, City Clerk Kim Agfalvi and Executive Assistant Danielle Charchenko

Professional Representatives: Consultant Engineer JC Hungerford

Guests or Public Comment: None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

CM Bradshaw motion to approve the minutes of November 2, 2022 for approval. CM Williams second the motion and it carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT & PRESENTATIONS:**

No Comments

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**1. Engineering – Update by JC Hungerford**

- 1.1 Whitehawk Blvd NW Extension** –Parametrix addressed the comments from WSDOT regarding the Bio-Assessment (BA). Now the BA will go to FHWA for further review. It could be a year or two before the City receives a response.
- 1.2 Kansas St SW Reconstruction** – Parametrix continues to work on design and is still on schedule for delivery end of 2022.
- 1.3 Village Green Outfall** – Parametrix is working with a 3<sup>rd</sup> party appraiser specialist for easement acquisition.
- 1.4 Kansas St SW & Calistoga St W Outfall Improvement** – Mutual agreement between Sound Pacific Construction (contractor) and City to delay project until spring 2023. Some material for the project is being stored on the Corliss property next to project site.

- 1.5 **SR 162 E Pedestrian Bridge** – Parametrix addressed comments from WSDOT. A response has not been received yet. John Bielka requested for supplementary funding for the project.

## **2. Administration – Scott Larson**

- 2.1 **New City Hall** – A vehicle made impact and went through the front doors of New City Hall on Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>. Temporary repairs were made in first 24 hours. Contractors are working on obtaining materials and to color match. It could be a month or longer before final completion of repairs.

## **3. Public Works – Greg Reed**

- 3.1 Fencing Repair project completed.
- 3.2 Kansas St SW Outfall Materials delivered. See 1.4 above.
- 3.3 3-Year contract reviews are complete and ready to submit for bid after 1<sup>st</sup> of the year.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 3.4 I&I Projects: In 2019, City sewer mains were TV'd for I&I. About ½ of the areas indicated for re-line were completed at that time. Greg and John are working to bid the other ½ out for 2023.
- 3.5 SR 162 E Water Line Crossings – JC working on Proposal for Spring 2023.
- 3.6 Main Park Retaining Wall repair – Transblue is the low bidder. Working out a schedule to have to wall repaired.

## **4. Finance – Gretchen Russo**

- 4.1 **LIHWAP** – Low Income Home Water Assistance Program Interlocal Agreement – Gretchen presented the LIHWAP to the committee to consider renewing for another year. If approved, the LIHWAP enables Pierce County to make payments to the City of Orting on behalf of customers who have been determined eligible for the LIHWAP. This will go to Council at its next meeting Dec. 14, 2022 for consideration.

## **5. Councilmember Comments**

- 5.1 CM Williams – After WSDOT changed the speed limit South of the City Limits, they didn't move the sign out 600' as indicated during the review. Greg Reed will contact WSDOT to have the sign moved.
- 5.2 CM Williams – Crosswalk at SR 162 E & Whitesell St – Another accident occurred at this location in the last 24 hours. Pedestrian received minor injuries. CA Larson mentioned that WSDOT is actively looking into this location for lighting and sight improvement for the flashing crosswalk lights.
- 5.3 CM Williams – Crosswalk at City Hall – CM Williams nearly hit a pedestrian after dark recently because the pedestrian couldn't see the pole/ button to push for the flashing crosswalk lights. Greg Reed will research options for lighting up the pole, area or the push button.

**Round Table:**

None

**Meeting Summary: (for Study Session)**

None

**Adjourn:** CM Bradshaw motion to adjourn at 3:21 pm

**Attest:**

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Secretary Laura Hinds

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Councilmember Bradshaw

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Councilmember Williams