

CITY OF ORTING
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MINUTES
February 1, 2023 @ 2:30 p.m.

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

ATTENDANCE:

Elected Officials: Present, Councilmembers Williams and Councilmember Moore

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

Professional Representatives: Consultant Engineer JC Hungerford

Guests or Public Comment: Resident, Karen Wilson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

CM Williams motion to approve the minutes of January 4, 2023 for approval. CM Moore second the motion and it carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT & PRESENTATIONS:

Ms. Wilson has concern for traffic crossing SR 162 at Meadow Ln SE. Ms. Wilson requested a crosswalk over SR 162 to allow pedestrians access to Meadow Ln SE which has direct access to the Rails-to-Trail. It was explained that the City does not have jurisdiction of SR 162 and that this request would need to go to WSDOT. In addition, Ms. Wilson has requested speed humps on Beckett Ln SW. City Administrator Larson suggested she go through the traffic calming process. CA Larson will send a copy of the procedure/process to Ms. Wilson.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1. Engineering – Update by JC Hungerford

- 1.1 Whitehawk Blvd NW Extension** –Parametrix received comments from WSDOT on December 21st regarding the Bio-Assessment (BA) and are addressing those comments and returning to WSDOT for another round of review.
- 1.2 Kansas St SW Reconstruction** – Parametrix completed the 75% of scope design and submitted to City for review.
- 1.3 Village Green Outfall – No Updates**

- 1.4 **Kansas St SW & Calistoga St W Outfall Improvement** – Mutual agreement between Sound Pacific Construction (contractor) and City to suspend the project until late spring 2023. Materials for the project is being stored on the Corliss property next to project site.
- 1.5 **SR 162 E Pedestrian Bridge** – Project design sent to WSDOT

NEW BUSINESS

- 1.6 **Speed Data Varner & Olive** – In 2022 residents living in the areas of Varner Ave SE & Olive St SE had concerns of vehicles speeding on Varner Ave SE. A speed data trailer was posted on site from January 6-31 of 2023 and found the speeds to be within posted MPH signs. Only 1.2 % were over 30 MPH whereas the vast majority are going within the posted speed limit.
- 1.7 **Whitehawk Blvd Ext.** –Scope of Work increase includes two new roundabouts, new illumination for the roundabouts, new channelization t the roundabouts, environmental permitting and additional right-of-way acquisition. The grand total is \$377,019.22. The City received a grant from WSDOT for \$328,000 from WSDOT. The remainder would need to come from local funds in the amount of \$49,019.22. The scope of work from Parametrix will go to Study Session for approval.
- 1.8 **WRRF – Progressive Design Bldg.** – It is proposed that the City proceed with a progressive design build for the WRRF upgrade. This process requires project approval from the State of Washington Capital Projects Advisory Review Board under ESHM 1830 RCW.39.10. The scope of work to go with SCJ Alliance will go to Study Session for an update.

2. Administration – Scott Larson

3. Public Works – Greg Reed

- 3.1 **Well #1 Update** – The PW Water Department has been working on cleaning up the media by administering citric acid to strip the media of silica. The Silica, natural occurring in ground water, has been binding the media to where its not filtering the manganese appropriately. Recent samples were taken to test for silica and is still showing above .05 ppm. If the process to remove the silica does not improve, then the media may need to be replaced.
- 3.2 **Job opportunities/Posting** – Two new positions have recently been posted for PW. Engineering Tech w/water certifications and GPS capabilities and 1 additional stormwater worker.
- 3.3 **2023-2025 Landscape Bid 3-Year Contract** – Move the lowest responsible bidder, Frost Landscape, to Study Session for approval.

NEW BUSINESS

- 3.4 **Water Comp Plan** – Greg and John will be working to update the current water comp plan to recommend projects for upgrading the water system.
- 3.5 **Daffodil Prep** – PW crew is working on downtown corridor landscape and preparing for upcoming daffodil parade on April 1.

4. **Finance – Gretchen Russo**

No Comments

5. **Councilmember Comments**

No Comments

Round Table:

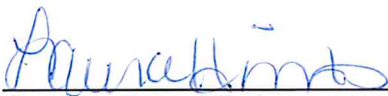
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Meeting Summary: (for Study Session)

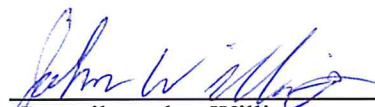
- 1.7 Whitehawk Blvd Ext
- 1.8 WRRF – Progressive Design Bldg
- 3.3 2023-2025 Landscape Bid 3-Year Contract

Adjourn: CM Bradshaw motion to adjourn at 3:25 pm


Attest:



Secretary Laura Hinds



Councilmember Williams



Councilmember Moore