

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

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

ATTENDANCE:

Elected Officials: Present, Councilmember Williams; Absent Councilmember Moore

City Employees: Present, City Administrator Scott Larson, Acting Public Works Director John Bielka, Building Official Tim Lincoln, City Clerk Kim Agfalvi, City Finance Director Gretchen Russo and PW Records Clerk Alison Williams. Also Present, PW Staff, Steve Daskam, Brittan Jones and Jackson Porter. Absent, PW Administrative Assistant Laura Hinds, and Executive Asst. Danielle Charchenko

Professional Representatives: JC Hungerford, PE, Parametrix and Lisa Reid, PE, PMP, SCJ Alliance Consulting Services

Guests or Public Comment:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

CM Williams motion to approve the minutes of July 5, 2023 as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT & PRESENTATIONS:

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1. **Engineering – Update by JC Hungerford, PE**
 - 1.1 **Kansas St Reconstruction Update** – The 90% design was delivered to John on 6/30. Moving forward with NEPA section 106. Working on grant applications to TIB.
 - 1.2 **Whitehawk Blvd Extension Update** – Moving forward with design. Scheduling the survey for round-a-bouts and still in formal consultation period for the NEPA. It may be 2025 before the City will hear back from the consultation period.
 - 1.3 **WSDOT Fish Passage** – JC and John will meet with WSDOT onsite on August 7, 2023. Appears WSDOT is in a preliminary engineering phase and does not have a clear recommendation to provide. At this point preliminary hydraulics is suggesting the city move its water line 20’ (feet) under the roadway. The final hydraulic analysis will make that determination, which will be complete near the end of summer 2023. JC however has

a suggestion that may avoid WSDOT's request; he and John will continue to review ideas with WSDOT.

- 1.4 **AC Watermain Design** – Parametrix delivered 30% design, is on schedule and expects 90% deliverables to the City by August 18, 2023.
- 1.5 **Village Green Outfall** – No Updates, JC provided a summary to FEMA.
- 1.6 **Kansas St SW Outfall** – Project to restart Aug 5th.
- 1.7 **Pedestrian Bridge Update** – RFP in Agenda for review by PW committee members, to be discussed at Study Session on August 16, 2023.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1.8 None

2. Project Management – Update by John Bielka

- 2.1 **SCADA Update** – Ordered server and will be here Aug. 11. TSI proposal in agenda packet for review.

NEW BUSINESS

- 2.2 **WRRF RFQ Proposals** – One RFQ was received for the WRRF design, Wilson Engineering. Provided a preliminary proposal for \$1.4M w/10% contingency. Headworks upgrade is also part of the proposal. Agenda Bill attached to move to study session on August 16, 2023.
- 2.3 **ADA Program Access Plan – Lisa Reid** –The Americans with Disabilities Acts (ADA) is a national legal mandate for elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities. This Plan will help guide the city for removing accessibility barriers within the City's jurisdiction.
There are 606 ADA ramps in the City, 501 are non-compliant with 2010/2012 ADA Standards. Of the 501, a little over 5% are missing detectable warning plates. The rest need to be replaced due to other types of non-compliance issues. Many of the non-compliant ramps are sloped and under the 2010/2012 ADA Standards, the ramps should be relatively flat for wheelchair use. Twenty-eight of the ramps have some small repair that can bring the ramp into compliance fairly easily. To bring the ramps into compliance in a 15-year period, 15 ramps a year, could potentially cost \$300,000 at today's construction cost. The city will need to show progress annually and by updating the ADA report as required. Public facilities meet requirements.

- 2.4 **Pavement Assessment Plan – Lisa Reid** –This report summarizes the pavement conditions within the city’s jurisdiction and identifies a 6-year program of preservation and maintenance activities. Seventy percent of the pavement is in new or good condition. The average condition is what needs to be looked at for preserving. Preserving has shown pavement to last longer than waiting for complete failure. Over a 6-year project, \$1.1-\$1.3M is a cost the city could be looking at. The city will need to prioritize preventative work over replacement in order to maximize the efficiency of dollars spent. TIB offers small city grants.
- 2.5 **Grant Update** – The City applies for several grants: \$1.4M to Rural & Town Center for parks master plan; grant from TIB for \$4.6M for Kansas St SW upgrade project. \$120K to Safe Streets & Roads for street and sidewalk projects. RCO grant closes on Sept. 18 for deferred parks maintenance of up to \$100K. TC is due in Feb. 2024.

3. Public Works – John Bielka/Steve Daskam

- 3.1 **E2 Security** – John is researching security camera system locations for various public works facilities.
- 3.2 **Sidewalk RFP** – Varner Ave NE 200 block has a stretch of sidewalk that does not connect for about 70’. We received a grant for \$20,000. The low bidder came in for around \$10,000. The committee suggested replacing a couple ADA Ramps near the library with remaining grant funds.
- 3.3 **Chlorination system** – TMG provided a quote for chlorine generators. John is recommending starting with 2 systems. John spoke with Chris at Community Water Systems and he mentioned we would need an engineering plan to provide to the health department. JC mentioned that Parametrix worked with Fruitland water for their chlorination system plan. Will bring back to next meeting for approval to purchase.
- 3.4 **FKC Equipment - Field trial** – Steve discussed the trial with FKC’s equipment that the WRRF is considering for the plant upgrade. The system worked great.
- 3.5 **WRRF Awards** – The WRRF received from DOE a perfect year award, 1st one received in 9 years, and received a Gold award for Peak Performance from NACWA, 2nd year in a row.
- 3.6 **Lead Line** - Steve mentioned city crew started the lead line inspection this week. This project is federally mandated and due October 2024.
- 3.7 **GIS Update** – Jackson is the GIS intern working with public works to bring the asset layers’ points to accurate locations with the City’s GIS System and workorder management system, Aktivov. He presented a PowerPoint to show his progress.

4. Finance – Gretchen Russo

- 4.1 **GFC Utility Rates** – A resolution is provided in the agenda packet to move forward to study session for the increase of GFC utility rates, expected to go into effect Jan 1st.

5. **Building Codes – Scott Larson**

5.1 Building Code Updates – The State of Washington is going through a building code update cycle. The City will need to update sections of its code where applicable to the city. The committee will review and bring back to September PW committee for further discussion. The updates include reference to the 2021 International Building Code, International Residential Code, International Mechanical Code, International Fire Code, Uniform Plumbing Code, International Energy Conservation Code – Commercial, International Energy Conservation Code – Residential, International Property Maintenance Code, and the 1997 Edition of the Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings (this is the most recent version). The city also has certain minimum climatic and geographic design criteria which are listed explicitly in the code, and the most recent version amends the wind speed gust criteria from 85 mph to 110 mph.

6. **Councilmember Comments**

None

Round Table:


None

Meeting Summary: (for August 16, 2023 Council)

- 1.7 Pedestrian Bridge Update
- 2.2 WRRF RFQ Proposals
- 4.1 GFC Utility Rates Resolution


Adjourn: CM Williams motioned to adjourn at 3:50 pm.

Attest:



Secretary Laura Hinds

Councilmember Williams



Councilmember Moore