

City of Washington
Public Work Committee
Monday, May 7, 2018 – **Minutes**

CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM
301 WALNUT STREET

Present: Aldermen Mike Brownfield, Dave Dingledine, and Jim Gee.

Also Present: Ed Andrews, Public Works Director; Bob Brucks, Alderman; Daniel Cobb, Alderman; Jim Culotta, City Administrator; Jon Oliphant, Planning & Development Director; and Kevin Schone, Public Works Supervisor.

Alderman Brownfield called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

1. Alderman Wishing to be Heard on Non-Agenda Item: None.
2. Citizens Wishing to be Heard on Non-Agenda Item: Walter Ruppman asked that the minutes from the April meeting be corrected to reference Dodge City, Kansas, as a comparable city with brick streets and that brick streets are more cost-effective than other streets.
3. Approval of Minutes – The minutes from the April 2, 2018, meeting was unanimously approved, noting that Alderman Jim Gee was inadvertently left out among those aldermen in attendance.
4. Business Items:
 - A. Watering/Maintenance Authorization: Square and Entrance Signs – Staff solicited bids from four local landscaping companies for the annual maintenance of the square planters/parking lot landscaping and the four community entrance signs that have landscaping. Bids were received from Fletcher Landscapes for each component of the project and from Oak Grove Landscaping for the maintenance of the signs. Oak Grove had the low bid for the signs maintenance. Staff recommends authorization of the watering of the square and entrance signs and the maintenance of the square landscaping to Fletcher Landscapes and the maintenance of the entrance signs to Oak Grove Landscaping. Staff will include the comparison to the quotes from the prior year for future year watering/maintenance authorization requests. The committee recommended approval of this and it is scheduled for approval at the City Council meeting that evening.
 - B. Fire Protection Drawings/Design to be Due at Building Plan Submittal – The City has historically allowed for fire protection drawings to be submitted during the course of a commercial construction project (prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy) rather than at the time of permitting. This has caused coordination issues with the project later in the process. Staff feels that the fire protection contractor should be more engaged at the start of the project and that the fire protection plans should be submitted with the other building plans. The committee agreed with this requirement.
 - C. Auto Water Shutoff Meters – With the pending installation of remote shut-off meters, consideration has been given to helping incentivize this replacement with the multifamily landlords. The first round of 40 Ally meters were purchased this spring in an effort to address the more frequent shut-off locations. Ally remote shut-meters

cost \$450 each compared to the standard iPerl meters at \$150 apiece. The City's current adopted tech fee of \$3.85 for a single meter was based on the standard iPerl meter. Section 50.54(B)(1) provides that the landlord is jointly liable for the tenant's bill where separate shut-offs are not provided. Installation of an Ally meter would therefore alleviate the landlord of this liability. However, the incremental materials cost could reach \$80,000 based on 267 locations (\$450 - \$150 x 267). The committee felt that the landlord should continue to be held liable for any payments. There would only be consideration given for a cost-share if it is with the landlords. Staff was asked to find the number of write-offs. This will be scheduled for a future agenda topic at a PWC meeting.

- D. Transportation Plan Update – The East Peoria and Washington staffs had a kick-off meeting recently with the consultants (Houseal Lavigne Associates and HR Green) in the development of transportation plans for the two cities. This is entirely funded through a grant from the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission and is intended to be completed around June 30 per the grant regulations. It was aimed at hearing more about the existing transportation conditions as they related to the road network, recreation trails, mass transit, and green infrastructure. It will help establish goals, policies, and possible future projects to consider. Among the larger projects discussed as future possibilities are Nofsinger/24, Freedom/Lake Shore Drive, a north-south extension to try to connect with Morton, with S. Cummings/Tennessee being a potential rough route, completing existing gaps in the recreation trail network, and an extension of CityLink service further into Washington. The consultants are working on various maps and will begin drafting text to include in the plan.
- E. Transmap Pavement Rating w/PPUATS – Staff undertook the first condition rating of the roadway system two years ago using a visual windshield survey of our roadway network using IDOT CRS. This was updated last fall with assistance from Roadbotics, who had a camera-based system using a proprietary system that staff converted to IDOT CRS. The Tri-County Regional Planning Commission recently had an RFP for county-wide mapping to do a full LiDAR-based inventory of all Federal Aid eligible roadways within their MPO boundary. This would mean 10.5 miles of the 79.5 mile system for the City of Washington would be mapped under the contract. While Roadbotics was one of the submitters on the proposal, Transmap was selected due to the increased amount of data that they could gather using LiDAR. The contract allows for communities to add their local roads at their own cost. Additional asset reduction such as sign inventory, sidewalk conditions, etc. could be done for the City at a later date, as the budget allows from the LiDAR cloud that is also part of the deliverables. Annual updates can be done for about \$10,000. The committee asked to see other estimates from comparable vendors.
- F. Replacement Plow Truck – The FY 18-19 budget anticipates the replacement of Lincoln #5, a 2006 7400 Series International Single Axle 5Yd plow truck. The budgeted amount is \$139,000 and we would look to also use the old truck as a partial trade-in against the new truck. The current state bid pricing for this truck is \$132,665 with the trade-in, as indicated in a quote from Rush Truck Center. Rush is working on finalizing a trade-in quote, but staff wanted to start the dialogue with the committee to help advance this since there has been some backlog in builds due to the International moving over to Cummings engines. Staff anticipates having the trade-in before presenting to the COW and Council.

5. Staff Updates:

- A. IL American Water Update – Work is ongoing on a sharing agreement for individual water users outside of the city's water jurisdiction. IL American would like for the City to take an active role in the shutoffs. The City has a parallel water main on Hillcrest that would allow for the City to service those properties relatively easily if it was allowed to do so. This would only allow for City water service and not sewer. The committee asked the City Attorney's office to address language for possible shutoffs.
- B. Capital Projects – A bid opening is scheduled for June 14 on this year's sealcoat program with approval to be scheduled by Council on June 18. The mill-and-overlay of Freedom Parkway has the same target dates. School Street is scheduled as a heat scarification project. PE 1 and PE 2 are programmed for the Stratford Drive bridge. It is also recommended that the east end of Kingsbury be completed through the 3' edge of pavement millings concurrent with bridge work.

6. Other Business:

- A. Staff is awaiting final numbers for the repair of the latest Square coping wall with a quote having been obtained from Lucas Construction.
- B. Summer Public Works employees are read.
- C. Staff is working on safety training with our insurance provider.
- D. The Brush Hog is ready for operation.
- E. IDOT announced ITEP awards today. The City was awarded \$56,010 for the Square streetscape project, which will cover the 80% federal share of the PE 1. This is the last cycle that IDOT will fund PE 1 and it proof of completion will be required for future submittals. The next call for projects is anticipated in the fall of 2019.
- F. Staff will obtain a quote(s) for the tuckpointing of the Square fountain.
- G. Staff has a quote from Kreiling for work on the roof at WTP 2.
- H. Notices will be sent out soon to the homeowners impacted by the Diebel basin work. A permit will be obtained from the railroad shortly thereafter.

Motion to adjourn at approximately 6:10 p.m.