

City of Washington  
Public Work Committee  
Tuesday, January 19, 2016 – **Minutes**

CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM  
301 WALNUT STREET

Present: Aldermen Mike Brownfield, Jim Gee, and Carol Moss

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

Alderman Mike 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: None.
3. Approval of Minutes – The committee unanimously voted to approve the December 14, 2015 meeting minutes.
4. Business Items:
  - A. Eastside Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) Floodplain Update – Staff passed out a preliminary draft LOMR map for the committee to review. Based on the preliminary results, the 100- and 500-year floodplain would be reduced in various places within the project area. The committee recommended that staff and the consultant proceed with any final items needed to submit the study to FEMA and IDNR for their review and approval. The review time is expected to be 6-9 months from each agency.
  - B. Detention Basin Inventory: Maintenance Responsibilities Update – Staff has largely completed mapping of each of the detention basins in the city. This will allow staff to better understand the maintenance responsibilities in the future.
  - C. Sewer Treatment Plant #2, Phase 2A Update – Four contractors were at the pre-bid meeting for the work. The bid opening is scheduled for January 26 at 2:00 at City Hall.
  - D. Backup Generator(s) Update – Staff has received a bid for generators to be purchased and installed at City Hall and the public works building on Legion Road. The committee recommended that this be approved and it is scheduled for approval at the forthcoming City Council meeting.
  - E. Mallard Crossing Streetlights – RNS Electric determined that the six Mallard Crossing streetlights are in good condition. The cost of six high pressure sodium lights would be \$870. The committee recommended that this work proceed in order to make the lights operable again.

5. Other Business:

- A. The committee felt that a minimum lot size requirement may be something to consider for a possible residential beekeeping ordinance.
- B. The City will get about \$327,000 for MFT funding for FY 16. Among the areas under consideration for this usage would be the west side, including Lexington Drive; N. Main; and W. Jefferson.
- C. Staff has had problems with communication with B&L Electric for necessary repairs at STP#2 and it's been necessary to contact outside contractors to have this work completed. Staff will try to use local contractors whenever possible.
- D. An oil leak was discovered on a backhoe used during the tree limb pickup following the late December ice storm. Insurance may cover much of this cost. The pickup is almost done. There are only some areas on the west side left.
- E. The raised median at Fayette Court had been driven crossed by a truck. It was reported as a snow plow. Review of the area shows that the "dualies" tracked over the radius of the curbing during plowing, but was not directly driven across. Restoration of the turf will be undertaken in the Spring.
- F. There are no current maintenance schedule or records from the fire station. Staff will work with the fire department personnel to develop a regular schedule and enhance record-keeping.
- G. Staff will work with the Park District to remove water and limbs near the condos on the west side of N. Main.
- H. The public's communication for boil orders remains as follows: Homes that have door hangers are under a boil order. Those that do not have them are not under the order and not notified by practice to avoid confusion. The Police Department will also be notified in the future via a paper posting within the department for all shifts to be able to see.

Motion to adjourn at approximately 6:09 p.m.