City of Washington Public Work Committee Monday, April 27, 2015 – **Minutes**

CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM 301 WALNUT STREET

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

Also Present: Ed Andrews, Public Works Director; Jon Oliphant, Planning & Development Director; Kevin Schone, Public Works Manager Aldermen Bob Brucks and Tyler Gee.

Alderman Jim Gee 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:
- 3. Approval of Minutes The committee unanimously voted to approve the April 27, 2015 meeting minutes.

4. Business Items:

- A. Knollcrest Drive Residents: Floodplain Some residents living on the north side of Knollcrest Drive attended the meeting to determine if part of the 100-year floodplain could be reduced that currently affects their properties. The current floodplain maps became effective in 1986. Efforts have been underway to modernize the maps but there will not be new data associated with those. A Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) is necessary to make any changes to the FEMA map. The committee unanimously recommended to request staff to proceed with determining an engineering consultant to complete the work necessary for FEMA and Illinois State Water Survey approval. Staff will proceed with that and report back to the committee at an upcoming meeting.
- B. Sonny Hills Water Extension The Sonny Hills subdivision is proposed at the southwest corner of Spring Creek Road and Centennial Drive. A preliminary plat has been approved and the final plat and annexation will be subject to approval soon. Consideration had been given to upsizing the water main from 8" to 12". After additional thought, staff did not feel that it is necessary for the upsize, as much of the area to the north and west of this area figures to remain as larger residential lots.
- C. Washington Square Sidewalks Staff has done a very preliminary analysis of the sidewalks. There are numerous sidewalks, curb and gutter, lightpoles, and other miscellaneous elements that could be repaired. Historic brick pavers could be utilized for some areas of the Square. Staff will present rough cost estimates for different improvement projects at an upcoming meeting to solicit additional input before proceeding with engineering and construction.
- D. Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Project Submittals The CEDS is completed every five years and sent to the Economic Development Administration. This is compiled regionally and includes various infrastructure projects that could then be eligible for federal funding. The submittals are due April

30 to the Greater Peoria EDC. Staff will be submitting infrastructure upgrade projects for Washington 223 and Freedom Parkway/Lakeshore Drive. The top 8-12 regional projects will be prioritized in the CEDS document, though all listed projects will be eligible for future funding.

- E. Tazewell County Highway Salt Bids Ed Andrews reported on the favorable bids received by Tazewell County Highway's bids.
- F. Photovoltaic (PV) Consideration Jason Hawksworth of Hawk Energy made a brief presentation to the Committee concerning possible photovoltaic considerations. He had previous met with staff to discuss leasing opportunities of panels at WTP#2 and STP#2. Given the quickly approaching deadlines of the first round of applications to Springfield, committee felt that it would be better to revisit this opportunity at the second round submittal this fall.
- G. Roadway Updates: IDOT Tornado Roadway Restoration; MFT Program Mr. Andrews gave a brief update on the tornado roadway restoration program. Plans were being finalized for submission to IDOT on May 1st. A review meeting with IDOT May 8th was scheduled with publishing for bid on May 21st to allow for a June 1st bid opening.
- H. Nofsinger Road Intersection Engineering an update to committee was made regarding the IDOT funded portion of the Nofsinger Road Intersection engineering. It was discussed that Terra Engineering had been part of the successful shortlist presentation and consideration for advance of their contract before council at the next meeting was sought. The committee voted in favor of advancing this to council.

Other Business:

- A. Dieble Road detention basin cleanup...
- B. It was noted that there are some potholes near the 24/N. Cummings intersection that need repaired. Mr. Schone said that IDOT has been contacted and they will be repaired soon.
- C. A question was raised about what to do if residents want to replace their sidewalks. The residents can make the repairs, though the IDOT agreement will not allow for reimbursement.
- D. Signs may be missing on E. Jefferson Street. Additionally, No Parking signs on Devonshire are fading.
- E. If the city is looking for a generator, Alderman Brownfield may have one available through his employer.

Motion to adjourn at approximately 6:24 p.m.