

SERVICE COMMITTEE

JANUARY 23, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. by Chairman Barry VanHoozen. Committee members present were Deborah Born, Haraz N. Ghanbari, and Barry VanHoozen. Also present were Bridgette Kabat, City Administrator, Laura Alkire, Law Director, Jon Eckel, Service Director, and Doug Dariano, City Engineer.

PERMISSION TO PURCHASE TWO NEW AUTO LOADER REFUSE TRUCKS

Mr. Eckel requested permission to purchase two new autoloader refuse/recycle trucks from Best Equipment for \$431,502.40, which includes a credit of \$100,000 for trading in two trucks. Mr. Eckel explained that the current vehicles are six or seven years old and are costing a lot to maintain. He requested that this be passed as an emergency because Best Equipment has been holding the trucks for us for three months, and if it is passed as an emergency, he should have the trucks by the end of February. Mr. Ghanbari asked why the committee is just considering this now if they have been holding the trucks for three months. Mr. Eckel said that we purchased two trucks from the 2018 budget, there are two trucks in the 2019 budget, and the sooner we get them, the lower the maintenance costs will be. He said this purchase will give us four new trucks and one spare. Ms. Born asked the expected useful life of the trucks. Mr. Eckel said that these trucks have improved hydraulic arms with fewer parts, and they are hoping for seven years of good service. Mr. Ghanbari said that he would be willing to support it as a non-emergency. Mr. VanHoozen said that he does not see the benefit of waiting thirty days. The Committee agreed 2-1 to recommend approval of this purchase as an emergency.

PERMISSION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH RMH CONCRETE & FOUNDATIONS AND GORDON LUMBER FOR DPS COLD STORAGE BUILDING

Mr. Eckel explained that last year they went out to bid on construction of a cold storage building for the Department of Public Service, and the bids came in over budget. He said that they would like to get moving on this project this spring with the City acting as the general contractor. He requested permission to enter into a contract with RMH Concrete and Foundations for \$49,871.50 for the foundation, and to enter into a contract with Gordon Lumber for \$36,463.38 for the lumber package. Ms. Born asked about using a local company for the foundation work. Mr. Eckel said that he got three quotes, and no Perrysburg companies were interested. Mr. VanHoozen asked about the overall cost. Mr. Eckel said that they had estimated \$125,000 to \$130,000 and the bids came in at \$360,000. He said that he is expecting that they can do it for \$150,000 or less with current staff doing the floor and electrical work. Ms. Kabat said that \$125,000 will be carried over from the 2018 budget, and City Council will see an additional \$25,000 for this project in the amended budget. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of these contracts.

PERMISSION TO AWARD BID FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE ROACHTON RD
MULTI-USE PATH

Mr. Dariano requested permission to enter into a contract with Geddis Paving & Excavating in the amount of \$237,175.05 for the Roachton Road multi-use path. The path will be on the south side of Roachton between Fort Meigs and the Canterbury subdivision. Mr. VanHoozen asked about CSX's involvement in the project. Mr. Dariano said that we had to purchase right-of-way from them. Mr. Ghanbari said that maybe we can get CSX to repair the tracks while the construction of the multi-use path is occurring. Ms. Kabat said that has been discussed, and she is emailing our CSX representative to see if they can put it on their 2019 schedule so the crossing will only have to be closed once. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of the contract with Geddis Paving.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Ghanbari said that he has had discussions with individuals from the carpenters' union about minimum mandatory conditions to do construction projects in the City. He said that he shared language with the Law Director and Planning and Zoning Administrator that would address issues such as laborers being paid as contractors instead of employees. He said that with this type of relationship, the contractors are sometimes not paying city income taxes, workers' compensation, or overtime. Ms. Alkire said that she is envisioning this language in Chapter 12 of the codified ordinances, so it would span the Service and Planning and Zoning committees and would require public hearings. Mr. VanHoozen said that he feels this is a great topic of conversation, but a lot of contractors are self-employed and work alone. Mr. Ghanbari said that the language would not kick-in for projects under \$25,000.

There was a brief discussion about the retire/rehire language.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry VanHoozen, Chairman
Service Committee

Next meeting: Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.