

SERVICE COMMITTEE

FEBRUARY 27, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 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.

INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS – SR25 AND WEST SOUTH BOUNDARY

Tom Yurysta of Proudfoot Associates stated that a traffic study was done at the intersection of SR25 and West South Boundary Street in 2015. There were already back-ups at that time, so a short-term remedy was to add a left turn from West South Boundary to southbound SR25 which helped improve traffic flow. However, at that time they also recommended that a long-term fix which would add multiple dedicated turn lanes was also needed. The City applied and was approved for a TMACOG grant that will pay for half of the construction costs to improve the intersection. Mr. Yurysta provided a drawing showing the proposed improvements including adding two lanes on the east approach of West South Boundary which will allow for two left turn lanes onto southbound SR25 and an exclusive right turn lane to northbound SR25. It will also add an exclusive right turn lane going from northbound SR25 to eastbound West South Boundary. Mr. Yurysta said that they did a field review with ODOT which is a requirement for the grant, and they discussed how to handle cars exiting Mr. Freeze and Marco's onto West South Boundary. It was decided that since cars turning left from these businesses would have to cross four lanes of traffic, only a right-in, right-out will be permitted from these businesses from West South Boundary. Mr. Dariano said that he wanted to make the Committee aware of this, and they will be holding a public open house before construction. They also plan to contact the owners of Mr. Freeze and Marco's to discuss the plans with them. Mr. Ghanbari asked if there is any chance for a bike lane. Mr. Yurysta said possibly on one side, but there is not enough right-of-way on the other side. Mr. Dariano said that the plan as shown requires no additional right-of-way and construction will not be until 2020. No action was requested, this was an informational item.

CONTRACT TO PROVIDE LABOR FOR PUBLIC SERVICE COLD STORAGE BUILDING

Mr. Eckel stated that City Council has already approved the first two pieces of legislation regarding construction of a cold storage building at the Department of Public Service. The first piece was to purchase lumber, and the second was for the foundation of the building. Mr. Eckel said that he received two quotes to provide labor for the construction of the cold storage building. He requested permission to enter into a contract with Gordon Lumber for \$45,000 for labor to construct the building. He said the other quote that he received was over \$114,000. Mr. VanHoozen asked if we have looked at any work that Gordon Lumber has done. Mr. Eckel said he has, and it was extremely professional. Mr. Eckel added that the floors and electrical work will be done by City employees. The Committee

agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of the contract with Gordon Lumber for labor to construct a cold storage building for the Department of Public Service.

PERMISSION TO ENTER INTO DESIGN CONTRACT FOR RESURFACING

Mr. Eckel said that he did a request for qualifications for design work for the resurfacing program. They received eight or nine packets from engineering firms, and they were evaluated and ranked. DGL was the top ranked so we requested a proposal for design services for the resurfacing program. In an effort to save dollars and streamline the project for next year, we asked that DGL provide a proposal for 2019 and 2020. DGL has proposed doing the design work for \$80,000 each year. Ms. Alkire said that this is \$7,000 less than what we paid in 2018 which is one benefit of locking it in for two years. Mr. Eckel said that they are also requesting permission to bid the project once DGL has completed the design and prepared the bid package. He said that the earlier we do this, the better the pricing will be. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of the contract with DGL and to grant permission to go to bid on the resurfacing program.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Kabat reviewed the Service Department related items in the budget amendment including the review of security and ADA compliance at the Municipal Building, ADA compliance in the downtown area, Fort Meigs/Grassy Creek culvert repair, additional street resurfacing dollars, and additional dollars for the Roachton Road multi-use path.

Mr. Ghanbari asked why the City's cardboard recycling area is not accessible 24/7 like the Township's. Mr. Eckel said that the Township received a grant, and their site is near their emergency services, so it is pretty much under 24/7 surveillance. Mr. Eckel said that we can locate one of the containers outside the fence as long as we don't have any problems with it.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry VanHoozen, Chairman
Service Committee

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