

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
THE TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE MINNEAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL
April 7, 2015

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 9:34 a.m. on this date.

Members Present: Council Members Kevin Reich (Chair), Linea Palmisano, Cam Gordon, Blong Yang, Elizabeth Glidden, and Lisa Bender

Matters listed below are hereby submitted with the following recommendations; to-wit:

1. 34th Ave S & 43rd St E Street Resurfacing Project ([15-00409](#)):
 - a) Passage of Resolution ordering the work to proceed and adopting special assessments in the amount of \$32,390.96 for the project; and
 - b) Passage of Resolution requesting the Board of Estimate and Taxation to authorize the City's issuance and sale of assessment bonds in the amount of \$32,395 with the bonds to be paid for from special assessments.

Staff presentation by Mike Kennedy, Public Works Transportation, Maintenance & Repair.

The public hearing was opened.

There being no persons wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved and referred to the Ways & Means Committee.

Referred by City Council 3/20/2015:

2. Use of City-Owned Infrastructure ([15-00236](#)):
 - a) Passage of Ordinance amending Title 17 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Streets and Sidewalks by adding a new Chapter 451 entitled "Use of City-Owned Infrastructure", establishing a process and procedure to obtain permits to attach communications equipment to City-owned infrastructure (Reich);
 - b) Passage of Resolution establishing fees for permits to attach equipment to City-owned infrastructure; and
 - c) Approving adoption of Right-of-Way Pole Attachment Policy.

Staff presentation by Timothy Drew, Public Works Senior Professional Engineer.

The public hearing was opened at 9:46 a.m.

The following persons spoke in support of the item:

- 1) Jim Rubenstein, Moss & Barnett, 150 S 5th St, #1200 (Verizon Wireless)

There being no further persons wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed at 9:48 a.m.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

3. Powderhorn West Residential Street Resurfacing Project ([15-00410](#)):
 - a) Passage of Resolution designating the location and improvements proposed to be made in the project; and
 - b) Receiving the cost estimate of \$1,397,796; directing the City Engineer to prepare proposed special assessments against the list of benefited properties; and setting a public hearing to be held on May 19, 2015.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

Referred by City Council 4/3/2015:

4. 50th & France Special Service District Establishment ([15-00401](#)):

Setting a public hearing for May 19, 2015, to consider amending Title 17 relating to Streets and Sidewalks, adding a new Chapter 428 establishing the 50th & France Special Service District.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved.

5. Submission for 2015 Hennepin County Bicycle and Sidewalk Grant Funding ([15-00411](#)):
 - a) Authorizing submittal of a series of applications for Hennepin County funds for the Bicycle and Sidewalk Grant Solicitation; and
 - b) Authorizing the commitment of local funds per the County's requirements to support approved projects.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved and referred to the Ways & Means Committee.

6. Minnehaha Ave Reconstruction Project Cooperative Agreement ([15-00412](#)):

Authorizing execution of an amendment to Cooperative Agreement No. PW 22-20-13 with Hennepin County to show the prices obtained through the bid process and to show that there will be an increase in the City's financial obligation of \$491,500, from the originally estimated City obligation of \$4,603,334, as a result of the contractors bid unit prices.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved and referred to the Ways & Means Committee.

7. Lake Nokomis Area Private Stormwater Management Practices ([15-00413](#)):
 - a) Authorizing negotiation and execution of an agreement with Hennepin County to receive \$50,000 from the Natural Resource Grant Program for reimbursement for activities that reduce stormwater runoff to the storm sewer system leading to Lake Nokomis;

- b) Passage of resolution increasing the appropriation and revenue in the Stormwater Fund by \$50,000; and
- c) Authorizing negotiation and execution of an agreement with Metro Blooms in the amount of \$474,425 to carry out the Nokomis Neighbors for Clean Water Work Plan.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved and referred to the Ways & Means Committee.

8. Nicollet-Central Modern Streetcar Project ([15-00414](#)):

Authorizing amendment to the existing contract with URS Corporation to complete additional environmental review and pre-project development tasks for the Nicollet-Central Modern Streetcar Project for an amount not to exceed \$97,000.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved and referred to the Ways & Means Committee.

9. Bids:

- a) ([15-00415](#)) OP 8066, Accepting low bid of Lunda Construction Company for an estimated expenditure of \$20,179,229.65 for the construction of the St. Anthony Bridge and authorizing the proper City officers to execute a contract for said service in accordance with City specifications;
- b) ([15-00416](#)) OP 8073, Accepting low bid of A and M Construction, Inc. for an estimated expenditure of \$173,148 to complete the 2015 Water Plant Exterior Stabilization Project and authorizing the proper City officers to execute a contract for said service in accordance with City specifications; and
- c) ([15-00417](#)) OP 8082, Accepting low responsive bid of Otto Environmental Systems (NC), LLC for an estimated expenditure of \$1,069,300, to furnish and deliver 32 to 38 gallon capacity carts for the Solid Waste and Recycling Division and authorizing the proper City officers to execute a contract for said service in accordance with City specifications.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was approved and referred to the Ways & Means Committee.

Discussion

10. East Downtown Pedestrian Realm ([15-00418](#)):

- a) Receiving and filing the East Downtown Pedestrian Realm Augmentation Study; and
- b) Receiving and filing the Draft Preferred Long-Term Vision for the seven streets identified in the study area.

Staff presentation by Jon Wertjes, Director, Traffic & Parking Services.

Clarifying comments were asked by Council Members Glidden, Gordon, and Bender.

Chair Reich reiterated previous comments by Council Members and confirmed suggestion that plans should be developed to maximize pedestrian access.

On motion by Reich, carried on voice vote, the matter was received and filed.

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

Reported by Peggy Menshek, Committee Coordinator