

# CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

Approved with changes 06/06/13

## MINUTES

### INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

April 4, 2013 - 7:00 P.M.

1. **Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of a Quorum.** Chairman Dzierzanowski called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Roll Call found Aldermen James Beifuss, Nanette Connelly, Nicholas Dzierzanowski, Alan Murphy, Russell Radkiewicz, James Smith and John Smith present.

Also in attendance were Public Works Director Robert Flatter, and Administrative Secretary Michelle Baldino.

2. **Approval of Minutes.**

A. **Infrastructure Committee Minutes of March 7, 2013.** Alderman Alan Murphy made a motion to approve the Infrastructure Committee Minutes of March 7, 2013, seconded by Alderman Nanette Connelly. Alderman Beifuss requested three changes (noted in the approved meeting minutes). Alderman Alan Murphy made a motion to approve the Infrastructure Committee Meeting Minutes of March 7, 2013 with changes, seconded by Alderman James Smith. **Voting Yea:** Aldermen Alan Murphy, James Smith, James Beifuss, Nanette Connelly, Nicholas Dzierzanowski, John Smith and Russell Radkiewicz. Motion was approved.

3. **Public Participation / Presentations.** None.

4. **Items for Consent.**

Chairman Dzierzanowski asked if any Committee members wanted discussion on the Items for Consent. Alderman James Beifuss requested discussion on items 4.A., and 4.E.

Alderman Nanette Connelly made a motion, seconded by Alderman James Smith to recommend approval of:

B. **Purchase of One 2013 Stainless Steel Dual Auger V-Box Salt Spreader with Self-storing Leg System – Henderson Truck Equipment, Gilberts, Illinois**

C. **Resolution No. 13-R-0030 – Contract Award – Cemetery Sexton Services for FY 2013**

D. **Ordinance No. 13-O-0016 – Increase in Cemetery Fees and Charges**

F. **Resolution No. 13-R-0032 – IDOT Agreement to Upgrade Traffic Signals on State Highways with Light-Emitting-Diode (LED) Modules**

**Voting Yea:** Aldermen Nanette Connelly, James Smith, James Beifuss, Nicholas Dzierzanowski, Alan Murphy, Russell Radkiewicz, and John Smith. **Voting Nay:** 0.

**A. Purchase of Four 2014 Chevrolet Caprice Police Pursuit Vehicles through the Illinois State Joint Purchasing Contract – Miles Chevrolet, Inc., Decatur, Illinois.** Alderman Beifuss stated that the units being replaced are models dated 2006, 2007, and 2008. He asked how many miles are usually on the vehicles when they are up for replacement. Mr. Flatter explained that the police pursuit vehicles are on a four-year replacement schedule and they generally have between 60,000 to 80,000 miles when they are replaced. Some of the models are older than the four-year cycle because the City did not purchase any new units in 2010 and 2011. He reminded the Committee that the police pursuit vehicles are generally run 24 hours per day, 7 days a week, so although the mileage may not be that high, the units are constantly used.

Alderman Beifuss asked if the Caprice vehicles provide for better gas mileage than the Crown Vic's. Mr. Flatter stated that they are both large engine vehicles because they are geared for pursuit. The Caprice vehicles are V-8 engines. In order to get V-6 engines, they have to be special ordered and are only manufactured in Australia. He further explained that through the State Purchasing contact, vehicles are pre-ordered and that is why the City is able to get the 2014 model year at the 2013 pricing.

Alderman Radkiewicz asked if the appurtenances are offered through state purchasing. Mr. Flatter explained that the police pursuit vehicles will arrive all black and it is necessary for the City to have the necessary appurtenances installed (lights, sirens, decals, radios, computers, etc.) at a cost of approximately \$6,000.00 per unit.

**Alderman Russell Radkiewicz made a motion, seconded by Alderman Nanette Connelly to recommend approval of the purchase of four 2013 Chevrolet Caprice Police Pursuit Vehicles from Miles Chevrolet, Inc., Decatur, Illinois. Voting Yea: Alderman Russell Radkiewicz, Nanette Connelly, James Beifuss, Nicholas Dzierzanowski, Alan Murphy, James Smith, and John Smith. Voting Nay: 0.**

**E. Resolution No. 13-R-0031 – Contract Award – 2013 Water Treatment Plant Native Landscape Improvement Project.** Mr. Flatter explained that the City's Water Treatment Plant development was built on a 14-acre wetland parcel, which impacted the special management area. DuPage County then required that the entire site be planted in natives and remain unmaintained. Due to the appearance of unmaintained land, the City submitted a modified landscape plan to DuPage County, which has now been approved. In order to come into compliance with the special management area requirements, the City is required to plant a mixture of native landscaping as outlined in the proposal from EnCAP. The plantings will also require three-years of maintenance and monitoring, also included in the proposal in order for the County to sign off on final permit. Mr. Flatter stated that because live plants instead of seed will be planted, he is hoping that the County will approve the project before the three-year monitoring period is up if the plantings survive and there is proper cover.

**Alderman Alan Murphy made a motion, seconded by Alderman John Smith to recommend approval of Resolution 13-R-0031 authorizing a Contract Award to EnCAP, Inc., for the 2013 Water Treatment Plant Native Landscape Improvement Project. Voting Yea: Aldermen Alan Murphy, John Smith, James Beifuss, Nanette Connelly, Nicholas Dzierzanowski, Russell Radkiewicz, and James Smith. Voting Nay: 0.**

**5. Items for Discussion.** None.

6. **Unfinished Business.** None.

7. **New Business.**

A. Alderman Beifuss informed Mr. Flatter that the stairway at the Metra Station is still blocked off and asked if there were any plans to repair the trip hazard that exists where the sidewalk meets the stairs. Mr. Flatter stated that he was not aware that it was still blocked off and explained that City personnel blocked it off in the winter due to the icy conditions. He will have staff remove the barricade. Mr. Flatter further stated that he believes Metra still plans to make repairs to the platform this summer, but they have refused to upgrade the stairway as part of the plans. Mr. Flatter stated that City staff will also repair the existing trip hazard.

B. Alderman Beifuss asked what the City's plans are for resurfacing and/or reconstruction of the streets this year. Mr. Flatter stated that the North Factory Street Project will begin next week and staff has applied for Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), from which \$266,000.00 out of the estimated \$600,000.00 for repairs, has been awarded to the City for resurfacing Forest Avenue between Town Road and Pearl Road. He also estimated that it will cost approximately \$100,000 for improvements to the intersection of Pearl Road and Route 38 (right in and right out). Staff has also looked at using the remaining budget (approximately \$400,000 - \$450,000) on some of the streets within the Cornerstone Lakes Subdivision. Mr. Flatter explained that there are not enough funds available for Lincoln, Parkside, or Kenwood this year as they will require more work than just resurfacing. He stated that Wood Street, between Ann and Brown, will require reconstruction at an approximate cost of \$400,000, but there is not enough time to engineer the project for this year.

C. Alderman Radkiewicz stated that the resurfacing that was done last year on Ingaltion Avenue, by City staff, has deteriorated. Mr. Flatter said that the City will address the repairs.

D. Alderman Radkiewicz asked about the pedestrian tunnel project near the high school. Mr. Flatter informed him that this project is still scheduled to be built before the end of the year.

E. Alderman Murphy stated that Fenton Lane is in need of repair. Mr. Flatter stated that due to the amount of work that needs to be done on the Industrial Streets within the City, a special service area may be required as the cost to repair them will be millions of dollars.

F. Alderman Beifuss stated that the brick sidewalk across from City Hall needs patching.

G. Alderman Radkiewicz stated that in the monthly report received from the City Administrator, a fecal matter spillage was reported and he asked if that was under control. Mr. Flatter informed him that all of the excess flow was pumped down and this occurred during a brief storm. The upcoming improvements to Lift Station #3 will help with these types of situations, and it is not expected that the City will be fined for this incident.

H. Chairman Dzierzanowski stated that with the election on April 9<sup>th</sup>, he may not be at another Committee meeting, and he wanted to say that it was an honor to serve on the Infrastructure Committee for over ten years. He said that he feels this Committee keeps the City moving and he thanked each member for their hard work and commitment. Alderman John James Smith thanked him for his leadership.

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I. Alderman Radkiewicz and Alderman Connelly stated that this is also their last Committee meeting. Mr. Flatter thanked the out-going Committee members for their support and wished them luck in the future.

8. **Reports from Staff.** Mr. Flatter informed Committee that the City is still waiting for approval from the Federal Railroad Administration for the Hawthorne Lane Crossing Improvements until the Quiet Zone can be approved.

9. **Adjournment.** At 7:31 P.M., Alderman Nanette Connelly made a motion to adjourn seconded by Alderman Russell Radkiewicz. Motion was approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Baldino  
Administrative Secretary