

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

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MINUTES

INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

March 5, 2015, 7:00 P.M.

1. **Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of a Quorum.** Chairman Beifuss called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Roll call found Aldermen John Banas, James Beifuss, Sandra Dimas, Don Earley, Mark Edwalds Al Hallett, and John Smith present.

Also in attendance were Public Works Director Robert Flatter, Assistant Director of Public Works Tim Wilcox, and Executive Secretary Michelle Baldino.

Others in attendance were Jesse Felix, West Chicago Park District, resident Marilyn Kroll and resident James Nevitt.

2. **Approval of Minutes.**

A. **Infrastructure Committee Minutes of February 5, 2015.** Alderman Hallett made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas to approve the Meeting Minutes of February 5, 2015. Chairman Beifuss requested a few changes (noted in the approved minutes). Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hallett to approve the Meeting Minutes of February 5, 2015 as amended. Voting Yea: Aldermen Dimas, Hallett, Banas, Beifuss, Earley, Edwalds, and Smith. Voting Nay: 0.

3. **Public Participation / Presentations.**

A. Resident Marilyn Kroll spoke, stating that she heard the Mayor commend the Public Works Department for their snow removal efforts this season, but she expressed concern that it does not apply to private property. She indicated that she lives in a senior residence building and the snow removal operations didn't occur at her property until 11:00 p.m. on the night of the Super Bowl. She asked if it was legal to propose that the City's Public Works Department clear snow on private property if it is over at least 10 inches. She also feels that this is a safety issue, as emergency vehicles would not have been able to get in and out of their drive. Alderman Earley informed her that the City personnel are only responsible for City Streets. Alderman Banas stated that there are liability issues with City personnel on private property and she needs to address this concern with her management company. Chairman Beifuss stated that there may be some relevance to her request, *if there is a code issue*, and he suggested she take it up with the Public Affairs Committee. Chairman Beifuss also informed her that the Public Participation portion of the Agenda is reserved for Public Comment and does not necessarily command a response from the Committee.

Ms. Kroll also asked Committee why there is never any New Business on the agenda and how does one go about getting new business on the agenda. Mr. Flatter stated that if there was information presented from Public Participation or Presentations that the Committee wished to further discuss, it would be placed on the Agenda under New Business.

B. Resident James Nevitt spoke regarding concerns on his property relevant to the George Street Underpass Project. He indicated that he has been cooperative by providing a temporary easement, but the railroad is giving him the run-around regarding relocating his electric service. The railroad tells him that this is a ComEd issue. He is also concerned that even though a sewer was installed, his basement will still flood because the grading is still so low. Chairman Beifuss asked Mr. Flatter to respond. Mr. Flatter stated that the removal of the existing ComEd pole and relocation of Mr. Nevitt's electric service line was ComEd's decision. The existing ComEd pole that provided electric service from the south side of Mr. Nevitt's house was within the area of excavation for the new pump station and was unsafe; there was only approximately 3" diameter of the 8" diameter pole that was not rotten away. Once the condition of the existing pole was pointed out to ComEd, ComEd considered it an emergency situation and removed the pole; relocating Mr. Nevitt's electric service from an existing ComEd pole in the Vine Street right-of-way on the north side of the house. Because this was a private electric service, ComEd took responsibility. As for concerns of flooding on his property, Mr. Flatter explained that the new pump station has been designed to accept storm water runoff from Mr. Nevitt's property and a storm sewer was being installed to drain the low spot within Mr. Nevitt's property to help alleviate flooding on his property.

4. **Items for Consent.** Chairman Beifuss asked if *any* Committee members ~~if anyone~~ wanted to pull consent items for discussion. Chairman Beifuss asked staff to review Item 4. A.

A. **Ordinance No. 15-O-0004 – An Ordinance Prohibiting the Use of Groundwater as a Potable Water Supply by the Installation or Use of Potable Water Supply Wells or by any Other Method at or within the Specified Area of Reed-Kepler Park – 250 W. National Street.** Mr. Flatter reviewed the agenda item summary and explained that the Park District has done substantial cleanup in the area of Reed-Kepler Park due to a ground contamination issue from a leaking underground storage tank (which has been removed). In order to satisfy the requirements of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA), Ordinance 15-O-0004 must be passed defining Reed Kepler Park as a location that can no longer have wells installed for potable water. Once the Ordinance is recorded, the IEPA will provide the Park District with a No Further Remediation (NFR) letter.

Chairman Beifuss then read the all of the items for consent. **Alderman Banas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Earley to approve:**

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B. **Resolution No. 15-R-0013 – Contract Award – Alaniz Landscape Group, Inc. for the 2015 Right-of-Way Maintenance Program**

C. **Resolution No. 15-R-0014 – Modification to Community Development Commission Agreement CD14-04 for Time Extension for the Alta Vista Gardens Roadway Rehabilitation Project**

D. **Resolution No. 15-R-0016 – Contract Amendment No. 1 – CH2M Hill OMI for Professional Services Related to the Reconditioning of Primary Clarifier Tank No. 1 at the City's Regional Waste Water Treatment Plant**

Voting Yea: Aldermen Banas, Earley, Beifuss, Dimas, Edwalds, Hallett, and Smith. Voting Nay: 0.

5. **Items for Discussion.**

A. 2015 Monthly Brush Collection Services Program. Mr. Wilcox stated that staff met with Joe Kramer of Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc. to negotiate a three-year contract based on previous direction received from the Infrastructure Committee. Mr. Kramer did not accept the offer, so staff went out to bid. Mr. Wilcox reviewed the results of the bid opening, stating that Arborworks LLC's (Arborworks) bid came in considerably lower than the other bids. Arborworks received favorable references for the work that they have performed, although none of it was for a brush collection program. Mr. Wilcox informed Committee that Arborworks seems to be resourceful and willing to bring in extra equipment if necessary to complete the program each month. During discussion, Committee members agreed that due to the favorable references received, the contract should be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, Arborworks, LLC. **Staff was directed to present a contract award at the next City Council meeting to Arborworks, LLC for the 2015 Monthly Brush Collection Services Program for an amount not to exceed \$61,250.00 for FY2015 with an option for renewal for two years.**

6. Unfinished Business. None.

7. New Business.

A. Chairman Beifuss stated that he would like for staff to prepare a list of contracts for materials and services that the Public Works Department procures on a yearly basis. Mr. Flatter explained that he had a chance to speak with Chairman Beifuss earlier in the week, and he had already prepared the list (Attachment A). Mr. Flatter said that he believes the list is complete, and contains all expenditures that the City annually bids (estimated expenditures over \$20,000) and the time frame in which the City solicits for procurement of each contract.

B. Alderman Earley asked when Wood Street will be reconstructed. Mr. Flatter informed him that the City is finalizing the engineering plans and hopes to get the project out for bid within a couple of weeks. He anticipates bringing a contract for approval to the Infrastructure Committee and City Council in May 2015.

8. Reports from Staff. None.

9. Adjournment. At 7:34 P.M., Alderman Dimas made a motion to adjourn seconded by Alderman Hallett. Motion was approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Baldino
Executive Secretary

Attachment A

Annual Public Works Contracts	Contract Exp (Month)	Anticipated Bid (Month)
Forestry Maintenance Program	May	October
Parkway Tree Planting Program	May	January
Street Striping Program	November	June
ROW Maintenance (mowing)	November	February
Hydrofluosilicic Acid	December	October
Dry Anionic Polymer	December	October
Liquid Aluminum Sulfate	December	October
Liquid Carbon Dioxide	December	October
Liquid Sodium Hypochlorite	December	October
Rotary Hydrated Lime	December	October
Course and Fine Aggregates	December	October
Janitorial Services	December	October
Cemetery Sexton	December	November
Unleaded and Diesel Fuel Delivery	June	April
Municipal Electrical Aggregation	May 2017	February 2017
Supply of Electricity for City's Pump Stations	May 2017	February 2017
EAB Insecticidal Treatment Program	December 2017	TBD
Crack Sealing Program	November	June
Sidewalk Maintenance	November	May
Fire Hydrant Painting Project	November	May
Rock Salt	June	April
Asphalt Materials	December	February
Brush Collection	December	February