
ROELAND PARK
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
NOTES of the MEETING
Monday, January 11, 2010

Present:

Betsy Mellor	Chair
Marek Gliniecki	Co-Chair
John Carter	City Administrator
Adrienne Foster	Mayor
Scott Gregory	Council Member
Robert Myers	Council Member
Bill Cunningham	City Engineer
Pat Mundis	Manager - Public Works
Rex Taylor	Chief of Police
Bill Art	Council Member
Toni Hull	Council Member

Location: City Council Conference Room

Notes by MG

BM called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Committee Handouts

Update Report dated 11 January 2010.

RC 12 – 14 STORMWATER PROJECT

The Pre-Contract meeting had taken place. There remain issues in regard to insurance requirements requested by the Contractor. These issues are currently being discussed with the Contractor through the City's Attorney. There is an impasse regarding notification of material changes in insurance coverage and also an impasse regarding liability issues with the underwriters. The City's Engineer stated the project is moving ahead despite these issues and suggested an extra rider to the contract documents could be added in the future incorporating clarifying language. The responsibility for costs associated with the rider would be subject to discussion. There was discussion about the possibility that the Contractor would withdraw from the project in which case the second best bid contractor would be asked to take up the project.

The pre-Contract meeting went well. The Contractor is getting ahead of schedule, the drawings are on schedule and the Contractor is awaiting certain permits required for the stormwater works. The Contractor assured the City that the project will not slide behind schedule. There will be a Public Information meeting for the project at the Community Center on the 12th. There is a schedule of works produced by the Contractor.

CARS Program

Interlocal agreements between the City, Fairway and the County were approved by the City Council at the last City Council meeting. There were informal discussions with Fairway about the sidewalk location issue on Buena Vista. Fairway was adamant they would not build or allow a sidewalk on the Fairway (East) side of the street. There was consensus that City Staff should ask Fairway for a rationalization of their stance.

2010 Street Improvement Program

The project is ready for to be bid out on the 2nd of February, successful bidder to be approved at the 15th February Council meeting. The City Engineer felt that prices will change upward soon due to fuel costs escalation

RC 12 – 12 STORMWATER PROJECT

Resolution of outstanding issues is on hold due to snow issues. The Contractor wants a walk through right away but the City Engineer stated it is not feasible with the large amount of snow on the ground. A resident has an issue with a cracked driveway, issue on hold due to weather and snow. There was discussion of final payments schedule; there is retainage outstanding of around \$250,000. The city Engineer stated the Contractor was unhappy that the money has not been released to them yet and there were heated discussions between the Contractor and the City Engineers.

The project is still under the warranty period and there will be a walk through in March.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Disposal of the chlorine cylinder found at the Old Pool site was accomplished significantly under budget. The Department was congratulated.

A new Street Sweeper was proposed, bid specifications are ready. There was a consensus to proceed to obtain approval from the City Council.

There was discussion about the department's successful snow removal program. The department head discussed the mechanics of snow removal, effects on his staff, resident and non resident feedback on the recent snow removal efforts, scheduling issues, etc.

Miscellaneous

There was discussion about the condition of the Walmart shopping area parking lot. It was emphasized by staff that the issue of Cedar Street is not germane to this issue. There was consensus that the City Administrator approach the landlord of the parking area with a view to ascertain their intentions, if any, for updating the area.

Meeting Adjourned.