

PUBLIC WORKS/SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, February 12, 2013

Present: Council Members Danforth, Jones, Rieffenberger, Solberg & Thorson

Also Present: Tom Drake, Mike Boerger and Kyle Horst

Approval of the Agenda.

City Engineer Tom Drake proposes to amend the agenda by adding a request for authorization to advertise for bids for the Pheasant Ridge Drive Project and authorization to enter into an agreement for the Household Hazardous Waste Event. Motion was made by Steve Thorson and seconded by Mike Danforth to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Minutes.

Motion was made by Steve Thorson and seconded by Mike Danforth to approve the minutes from the January 22, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

Request authorization to advertise for bids for the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project No. 1308.

Staff requests authorization to advertise for bids for the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project. This project will include lining sewers lines and replacing manholes in various locations around town. Motion was made by Dennis Solberg and seconded by Mike Danforth to authorize advertising for bids. Motion carried.

Update on Creek Channel Maintenance Project.

Tom Drake gave an update on the Creek Channel Maintenance Project. K&L Mechanical submitted the low quote, which will be paid on a time and material basis. This project will initially involve cleaning out the underbrush, debris and muck around the trestles on the Big Sioux River, which should facilitate the conveyance of water through those areas. Other sections of the river could be addressed and maintained periodically as needed. Steve Thorson commented that he would like to see money put in the budget next year to expand the project, visualizing this as more of a beautification project than a flood control project. Mike Danforth added that he sees both flood control and beautification as issues that need to be addressed, and would like to see a scope of work defined prior to the budget process, for the stretch of the river from 10th Avenue North to Highway 212, and see funds allocated over several years. Tom Drake responded that before planning a larger-scope beautification or a channelization project over the length of the river, permission would need to be gained from the DENR and the Corp. After further discussion, motion was made by Bill Rieffenberger and seconded by Mike Danforth to recommend approval of the creek maintenance and to retain K&L Mechanical to do the work as proposed. Motion carried.

Consideration of proposal from Clark Engineering for 20th Avenue South Intersection design assistance.

Staff requests authorization to accept a proposal submitted by Clark Engineering in the amount of \$5000.00 for engineering assistance in the design of the 20th Avenue South and 7th Street West intersection. This intersection will be reconfigured to a safer intersection and to accommodate the additional traffic for the new fertilizer and soybean processing plant. Staff requests authorization to apply for grant funds that are available through DOT for agricultural/transportation projects. Motion was made by Bill Rieffenberger and seconded by Steve Thorson to recommend acceptance of Clark Engineering proposal and authorize applying for the grant. Motion carried.

New Business

Authorization to advertise for bids for the Pheasant Ridge Drive Project No. 1312.

Staff seeks authorization to advertise for bids for the Pheasant Ridge Drive Project. This project will complete the street loop within the industrial park. Motion was made by Steve Thorson and seconded by Mike Danforth to authorize advertising for bids. Motion carried.

Request authorization for the Mayor to sign agreement with Veolia Environmental Services for the 2013 Household Hazardous Waste Event.

Wastewater & Solid Waste Superintendent Mike Boerger requests authorization for the Mayor to sign an agreement with Veolia Environmental Services for the 2013 Household Hazardous Waste Event. Two quotes were received, with Veolia being the lower quote. Veolia has provided services for the past 11 events, and this year's event is scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 27. Various residential hazardous substances such as oil-based paints, aerosols, flammable solvents, lithium batteries, mercury, herbicides & insecticides will be collected in an effort to divert these items from the landfill, thereby protecting leachate water quality. The budgeted amount for this event is \$15,000.00. The cost estimate is \$10,803.00, but the actual cost will depend upon participation. Last year, 137 vehicles dropped off hazardous waste, with the average being approximately 100 vehicles per year. Motion was made by Mike Danforth and seconded by Dennis Solberg to recommend authorizing the Mayor to sign agreement with Veolia Environmental Services. Motion carried.

Old Business

Updates were given on various proposed projects, including the reshaping of a drainway in the northeast part of town and Mayfair assessments. A brief discussion was held on the city policy for infrastructure improvements and the property owners' obligation to fund a portion of the improvements. No action was taken.

Executive Session

None

Motion made by Mike Danforth and seconded by Steve Thorson to adjourn meeting at approximately 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Marscheider