PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES COMMITTEE
Regular Meeting – April 10, 2017
12:00 – 1:00 PM – City Hall Assembly Chambers
MINUTES

I. ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m.

Members Present: Ms. Becker (Chair), Mr. Nankervis, Ms. Gladziszewski, Ms. Weldon

Assembly Members: Loren Jones
Planning Commission: Carl Greene

Staff Present: Roger Healy, Tina Brown, John Bohan, Michele Elfers, Rob Steedle, Charlie Ford, Greg Smith

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

None

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of minutes. None

IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

V. ITEMS FOR ACTION

A. Rasmussen Grant Application – Treadwell Mine Complex

Mr. Gillette discussed the history behind the work being done at the Treadwell Mine Complex, stating that the Treadwell Historic Preservation and Restoration Society was formed in 2008 with the idea of raising funds to do improvements at the Treadwell Mine site. So far, they have worked on the salt water pump house that is on Sandy Beach. Now they are working on the old office building at the Treadwell Mine site and plan to turn it into an open air public use shelter. The site will eventually include historical information plaques. There was enough money, $150,000 from Parks and Recreation funds, to start work. The first phase removed and replaced the roof on the old office building at the Treadwell Historic Park. There were not enough funds to proceed with the next two phases of work, which includes removal of the second floor and placing a new concrete floor on the first level. This being a joint project with the City, the City applied and received a Rasmussen Grant of $125,000. The CBJ Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee considered the appropriation ordinance at its regular public meeting on April 4, 2017 and unanimously adopted a motion to recommend the Assembly approve the appropriation of $125,000 from the Rasmussen Foundation for the Treadwell New Office Building project.

PWFC members moved to forward an appropriation ordinance of $125,000 from the Rasmussen Foundation for the Treadwell New Office Building project to the full Assembly.

No objections. Motion passed.

B. Local Improvement Districts (LIDs) Policy

Mr. Healy stated that although he put this item as an action item, his intent is not to forward the Local Improvement Districts Policy to the Assembly for approval. Engineering would like approval from the PWFC members and once approved, we will use the policy as our general guide line is for Local Improvement Districts in the future. A factor with the Local Improvement District policy is that all projects have unique circumstances which will require flexibility with these recommendations. Staff will refer to this policy/guideline when interested residents or a neighborhood wants to form an LID. He feels that this should not be a formal policy because it could inhibit the flexibility for unique circumstances, that could be handled at staff level, rather than involving the Assembly.

Ms. Gladziszewski feels that this could be a policy with a caveat, so every time you wanted to vary from it you wouldn't have to go to the Assembly. She doesn't know if having an Assembly approved policy is a good idea or not.

Mr. Bohan then spoke reminding the PWFC that every LID has to come before the PWFC.

Discussion ensued.

Ms. Gladziszewski moved that the PWFC support the Local Improvement District policy.

No objections. Motion passed.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Title 19 Updates

Mr. Healy spoke on the Title 19 code updates that take place every few years. He then introduced Charlie Ford, the CBJ Building Official.

Mr. Ford spoke saying there is a code update cycle every three years. When the new codes come out we update our local Title 19, which are the City's modifications to the building codes. The majority of the changes are titles and section numbers. There are a few larger changes, one being we dropped all of our modification for the National Electrical code because Staff found that the existing code met all of our needs. Another change is in tenet improvements. When there is not enough room for two accessible restrooms, it is now allowed to label one accessible and one as inaccessible and label them both unisex restrooms. Most of the other changes are minor. Mr. Ford then said that the Law Department has reviewed the updated Title 19. and has been approved by the Building Code Advisory Committee, which consists of an Electrical Engineer, Mechanical Engineer, local Architect, and a General Contractor.

Ms. Gladziszewski would like a detailed version of the updates and would also like Staff to just use the International Codes without having to make changes or updates.

Mr. Ford said Staff is working toward using the International Codes that is updated every three years.

Mr. Healy sated that the Title 19 Update should be an action item because the recommendation from this Committee is to forward this as a proposed ordinance to the Assembly. Staff can bring it back at the next meeting as an action item to allow for the PWFC to have more time to review.

Discussion ensued.

B. Planning Commission Comments on FY18 CIP

Mr. Healy discussed the code requirement for the Planning Commission to review the Capital Improvement Plan Program each year and address its conformity with the Comprehensive Plan. Staff brought the FY18 Capital Improvement Plan to the Planning Commission and their response is in included in the packet.

Mr. Bohan said that this is just an information item because it is also included in your Finance Packet. Mr. Bohan said that the Planning Commission had accepted the FY18 CIP.

Discussion ensued.

C. Franklin Street Construction Update

Ms. Sowa gave an update on the South Franklin St. reconstruction project. The project limits for this year's work are from the Manila Square intersection to just shy of the Front Street intersection. Arete Construction has been working on the intersection out in front of the Red Dog. They should work in this area complete by tomorrow. They are going to start working up the sidewalk towards the Marine View Building with demolition and then construction of new sidewalks and then move over to the Glory Hole side of the street before getting into the second block which is Ferry Way to Front Street. On the Ferry Way intersection AEL&P is going to be moving a transformer. This is supposed to happen at the end of this week. This will encompass a little night work and they have to shut of power for a couple of hours while they do the work. This work will take place from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. Once they start on the second block, the traffic control will change and we are going to have a reverse traffic flow on North Franklin Street and have passenger vehicle traffic only. Cars will make a right hand turn at the clock to come out on Front Street. Traffic will also be able to travel down Ferry Way in the normal direction and then we will bring vehicles down South Franklin Street. We are still working on where they are going to exit, it will either be Admiral Way or at the Round-About. We are working on these last details with ADOT and Ron King. CBJ will put out a PSA before the revision takes place. Staff will continue to work with businesses on deliveries and make sure we are providing good pedestrian access. The road remains closed right now to vehicle traffic at night. We have been working with the Emergency Services; they have still been able to get to the Glory Hole when they need to. After the intersection concrete has had time to cure and as construction allows, we are going to reopen this to a single lane of traffic at night after the work shift is over. The current working hours are from 7 a.m. to 5 or 6 p.m. at night in order to meet the current schedule. It could be possible that there will be added late shifts. The Substantial Completion date is May 15th and June 1st is the Final Completion date. We are actively working with the Contractor to keep to the May 15th date. We continue to have the 9 a.m. Tuesday morning updates at Heritage Café on Front Street.

Discussion ensued.

D. Egan Drive – 9th Street to Main Update

Mr. Beck, Project Manager for the Egan Drive contract gave a power point presentation on the Egan Drive Water Replacement System. Mr. Beck said this is the project that we made the front page of the paper last year because of the saw cutting activities that was taking place at night and the residents were not notified, this area is now done. The next area of work is near Merchants Wharf to across from the intersection at Whittier Drive; they are planning on getting this section done this week and then prep it for paving and hope to get out of Egan Drive section as soon as possible. The next area will be at the crossing over to the Four Points Hotel, then crossing over to the Centennial Hall. The Contractor also has a little sewer work near the Four Points Hotel. Mr. Beck said that the Contractor is required to do a Public Service announcement that shows the name of the company, their contact person's information and the hours of work, which will be from 2 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday thru Friday with some possible Saturdays. They received a Noise Permit from May 3rd to May 15th for work outside the normal work hours. The contractor was required to put a notice in the newspaper, radio stations and hang door knockers.

Mr. Bohan discussed ADOT's Egan Drive project starting this summer and their request for the City's Egan Drive Water Replacement System work to be completed before the ADOT's Egan Drive project. The cost savings is that the City does not have to repair the road as thoroughly as we would if it were a new road.

Discussion ensued.

VII. CONTRACTS DIVISION ACTIVITY REPORT

Mr. Nankervis asked about the protest for Aspen Avenue.

Mr. Smith provided information on the official protest received on Friday from Pacific Coast Paving for the Aspen Avenue Pavement and Drainage Improvement project. The protest will require a response from the Purchasing Officer who then has 10 days to respond. The protesting contractor may then request to convene the Bidding Review Board, which will be scheduled per availability of the Bidding Review Board members.

Once it goes to the Bidding Review Board the Board has seven days to respond. the Bidding Review Board can also ask for a continuation up to 30 days. The start date for the Aspen Avenue Pavement and Drainage Improvement project is June 1.

Mr. Bohan said that when we review with the Purchasing Officer we will review our options and likely come to a conclusion to move forward regardless of the content of the protest or not. Likely you can see an award in front of the Assembly very shortly.

Discussion ensued.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT - Meeting adjourned at 12:50 PM.

The next PWFC meeting will be May 1, 2017.