

Public Works & Facilities Committee Meeting
August 26, 2013
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm.

Committee Members Present: Randy Wanamaker, Chair, Carlton Smith,

Committee Members by Phone: Jerry Nankervis, Jesse Kiehl

Planning Commission: Dennis Watson

Other Assembly Members: Mayor Merrill Sanford, Loren Jones, Karen Crane, Mary Becker

City Manager: Kim Kiefer

Deputy City Manager: Rob Steedle

Staff present: Rorie Watt, John Bohan, Rich Ritter, Ron King, Jennifer Mannix, Tina Brown, Gary Gillette, John Kern, Dave Crabtree, Kristi West, Myiia Wahto, Maggie Ford

II. Approval of Minutes

A. August 5, 2013, Regular Meeting

Minutes approved

III. Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items

None.

IV. Items for Action

A. Zach Gordon Youth Center Rasmuson Foundation Grant

Mr. Watt – Staff recommends that the grant of \$50,000 from the Rasmuson Foundation and the donation of \$17,000 from Zach Gordon Teen Club, Inc. for the purpose of remodeling the Zach Gordon Youth Center kitchen be forwarded to the Assembly for approval.

Mr. Smith moved Staff's recommendation to forward the Rasmuson Foundation grant of \$50,000 and the Zach Gordon Teen Club, Inc. donation of \$17,000 to the full Assembly for approval.

Hearing no objection, the motion was approved.

B. Capital Transit Buses Appropriation

Mr. Watt – Staff recommends appropriation of a grant of \$1,432,778 from the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for the replacement of 4 buses be forwarded to the full Assembly for approval.

Mr. Smith moved Staff's recommendation to appropriate a grant of \$1,432,778 from the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities for the replacement of 4 buses be forwarded to the full Assembly for approval

Ms. Crane asked if Capital Transit was considering purchasing anything besides diesel-fueled buses.

Mr. Watt said this would be for diesel buses.

Hearing no objection, the motion was approved.

C. ADEC Loan Appropriation

Mr. Watt – Staff recommends appropriating a loan of \$290,000 from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, Alaska Clean Water Fund State Revolving Fund which will be used to update the wastewater facility plans for the Juneau Douglas Wastewater Treatment Plant (JDWWTP) and the Mendenhall Wastewater Treatment Plant (MWWTP), be forwarded to the full Assembly for approval.

Mr. Kiehl moved Staff recommendation to appropriate a loan of \$290,000 from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, Alaska Clean Water Fund State Revolving Fund be forwarded to the full Assembly for approval.

Hearing no objection, the motion was approved.

D. Dimond Park Library – Resubmit Grant Application

Mr. Watt – Staff recommends the resubmission of a resolution that authorizes the Manger to pursue grant funding from the Alaska Energy Authority for the Dimond Park Library. The Alaska Energy Authority now breaks heating projects out from energy producing projects, which will allow a more favorable consideration for this project.

Mr. Smith moved Staff's recommendation to resubmit a resolution that authorizes the Manger to pursue grant funding from the Alaska Energy Authority for the Dimond Park Library be forwarded to the full Assembly for approval.

Hearing no objection, the motion was approved.

V. Information Items

A. Statter Harbor Launch Ramp Compensatory Mitigation

A memo was provided by Gary Gillette, Port Engineer on September 17, 2012, regarding the Army Corps of Engineers permit to allow the placement of fill for the Statter Harbor Launch Ramp project, which explains a special condition of the permit that requires compensatory mitigation for the unavoidable impacts to waters of the U.S. The mitigation would be in the form of an In-Lieu-Fee payment to the Southeast Alaska Land Trust (SEAL Trust).

Mr. Gillette answered questions and gave a more detailed explanation of the process.

Discussion ensued.

B. OHV Park Planning Update

Mr. Watt – Gave an update on the 35 – Mile OHRV Park Draft Site Report created by NOHVCC Management Solutions to evaluate a proposed Off-Highway Recreational Vehicle (OHRV) site near Mile 35 Glacier Highway. Their recommendation is to take a step back and take a look at other properties and figure out what kind of resources the Assembly wants to invest. The 35 mile site could be very expensive to develop and this site might not satisfy enough users.

Discussion ensued.

C. Gastineau Elementary Playground

Mr. Watt – Gave an update on metal pieces found in the rubber pieces placed in the Gastineau Elementary playground. A representative from the supplier of the rubber material arrives tonight to evaluate the problem.

VI. **Contracts Division Activity Report**

Mr. Kiehl – Inquired about the change order for the Downtown Snow Storage Site Facility project.

Mr. Bohan – This change order is to construct a Vactor Dump site to replace the site that is being displaced at the old City Shop site. We have money in this year's CIP. This dump site is for the material that Street's gets when they vacuum out catch basins.

Mr. Wannamaker – Asked about bus stop repairs, there are a couple of bus stops with missing panels. Locations mentioned were the Federal Building and the Mendenhall Mall.

Mr. Kern – We have a work list, but crews have been busy with other projects.

Mr. Watt – If we cannot fit these repairs into the building maintenance work load before winter, we will get a small contractor in to complete the repairs.

VII. **Adjournment – Next Meeting is scheduled for September 16, 2013.**

Meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.