

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Meeting Summary

March 18, 2020

Attendance:

Scott Gehring, Chair
Chris Hilberg, Vice Mayor
Tom Henning, City Council
Tom Moeller, City Manager
Bruce Brandstetter, City Engineer

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

- 1. 2020-2025 Street Repair Program.** Mr. Moeller and Mr. Brandstetter presented the current draft of the five year street repair program (see attached). Mr. Moeller noted that both 2020 and 2021 streets coincide with the replacement of the water mains in the area. He noted they were meeting with School officials to coordinate the transportation issues around the Madeira Elementary School (MES). Mr. Gehring asked about the timing of the construction. Mr. Brandstetter stated that bids would be opened end of April with construction starting in late May. Mr. Moeller noted that a majority of the pipe installation can be completed before the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year. There will still be coordination issues with the service lateral installation, but this should be less disruptive to traffic than the water main construction. Mr. Gehring also asked about the potential of installing curbs on streets (Rita Lane, Osceola Drive and parts of Sanoma Drive). Mr. Brandstetter will evaluate this and develop a preliminary cost estimate for this work. The committee agreed to move some streets from 2024 to 2023 to get closer to the \$1 million budget estimate. Mr. Moeller stated he will discuss with Mr. Brandstetter adding more streets to 2024 based on their condition and age. He also noted the City will be making application for SCIP funding for both Miami Avenue and Camargo Road/East in those years. There was discussion about the potential of streetscape improvements on Camargo Road within the business district and conforming to the recommendations of the Camargo Road Corridor Study. Mr. Moeller stated these improvements can be included in any grant application.
- 2. Euclid Avenue/Camargo Road Intersection Improvements.** Mr. Gehring asked for discussion regarding potential improvements to the intersection as part of the Euclid Avenue SCIP Project. Mr. Brandstetter agreed this can be included, but the cost of any additional improvements is not presently included in the initial project costs. Options discussed included purchasing property from the Gerber Collision site at the intersection so that the geometry of the streets can be improved. There was also discussion about including the improvements which were discussed with the Camargo Road Corridor Plan. Mr. Hilberg noted he would like this to become a three-way stop as well as having the speed limit on Camargo reduced to 25 mph. Mr. Brandstetter stated he would have this evaluated as part of the design of the project and report back to the committee. Mr. Hilberg noted the need to make certain the design would allow for large trucks to make the turns.
- 3. Crack Sealing Program.** Mr. Moeller provided a list of streets that have been crack sealed by the Service Dept in the last five years. He stated that we are provided the use of a crack sealing machine at no additional cost if we purchase the asphalt materials from the company. A copy of the streets sealed to date is attached. He noted that we are attempting to schedule

streets for sealing as they reach 7-10 years old (sooner if possible) to prolong the life of the pavement.

4. **Street Sweeping.** Mr. Gehring asked Mr. Moeller to provide a proposal for a regular street sweeping program for the City. Mr. Moeller submitted a proposal from Sweeping Corp of America (formerly Contract Sweepers). An Annual sweep of all streets would cost \$5,200/year. Mr. Gehring stated he would ask the Budget and Finance Committee to consider this cost. He stated he believes, due to the age of our streets and the amount of gravel being generated, a sweeping program will help preserve the pavement longer. Mr. Moeller noted we spend approximately \$200/month on sweeping services in the Business District, Kenwood Road and Shawnee Run Road. Mr. Henning asked if this cost can be appropriated to the Street Fund; Mr. Moeller stated that it is an eligible cost for street maintenance.
5. **Fire Hydrant Painting.** Mr. Gehring stated that Mr. Harold Thomas recently donated funds to both Indian Hill and Madeira to have hydrants sand-blasted and painted along some of the main roads. Mr. Moeller stated there are approximately 400 hydrants in the community. He noted that the City use to use Seasonal Park workers to do this until budget cuts eliminated many of those positions over 10 years ago. Mr. Gehring stated that the Joint Fire District paid \$75/hydrant. If they were on a 10 year painting cycle, the cost per year would be \$3,000. This would be discussed with the Budget and Finance Committee. Under this topic, Mr. Hilberg asked about painting the traffic signals and street light posts in the business district. Mr. Moeller stated he has not moved forward with this as there may be a reconfiguration of Miami Avenue after the traffic study. This reconfiguration may result in the relocation of the fixtures and posts. He also noted the last time all of these were painted, the cost was \$20,000. There was also discussion about the color and changing the color from its present green to black.
6. **Municipal Building Plaza Update.** Mr. Moeller stated that Glaserworks is no longer in business. The committee agreed to move forward with interviewing the two remaining companies; PFB/KZF and Cornette/Violetta Architects. He indicated he will see when they are available and schedule a meeting.
7. **Dawson Road Houses Demolition.** Mr. Moeller stated the second house has been vacated by the tenant and the owner is now prepared to close on the sale. Mr. Moeller stated they have been in contact with the owner and attempting to schedule a sale as soon as possible. He also stated he has a contractor, Allgeier Construction, to demo both properties. Mr. Gehring asked about the property to the west of the two houses. Mr. Moeller stated this is owned by the Madeira Mobile Home Park. He noted he would be speaking with the owners once the houses were demolished about coordinating improvements in this area.
8. **Indian Hill Water Main Update.** With the completion of our draft 2020-2025 Street Program, this information is to be presented to Indian Hill officials so they can complete their financing analysis for future water main replacements in Madeira.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Scott Gehring, Chair