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Public Works & Facilities Committee Meeting
May 20, 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, Jerry Nankervis, Jesse Kiehl and Carlton Smith

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

City Manager: Kim Kiefer

Deputy City Manager: Rob Steedle

Staff present: Rorie Watt, John Bohan, Rich Ritter, Jennifer Mannix, Tina Brown, Gary Gillette, Greg Chaney, Kirk Duncan, Brent Fischer, Tom Trego, Dave Crabtree, Nathan Coffee, Janella Lewis, Hal Hart, Brian Meaton

II. Approval of Minutes

A. April 29, 2013, Regular Meeting

Minutes approved

III. Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items

None.

IV. Items for Action

A. ADEC Loan – Public Works Department

Mr. Watt – The Public Works Department would like to apply for a loan from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation, Alaska Clean Water Fund State Revolving Loan Fund for facilities plan updates on the Juneau-Douglas Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Mendenhall Wastewater Treatment Plant. Staff is asking the PWFC to forward the resolution to the full assembly for approval. Mr. Watt introduced, Brian Meaton, the new Deputy Public Works Director/Wastewater Superintendent.

Mr. Nankervis moved the resolution be forwarded to the full Assembly for approval.

Hearing no objection, the motion was approved.

B. De-Appropriations - Harbors

Mr. Watt – there are two de-appropriations and it is advised that PWFC forward them separately to the Assembly. De-appropriation of \$22,403 for the Taku Harbor Transient Moorage Facility project and \$168,270 for the Downtown Cruise Ship Berth

Enhancement Capital Improvement Project. Staff is asking the PWFC to forward the resolution to the full assembly for approval.

Mr. Smith and Mr. Kiehl moved the de-appropriations be forwarded to the full Assembly for approval.

Hearing no objection, the motion was approved.

V. Information Items

A. Capitol Building Renovation

Mr. Wayne Jensen, of Jensen Yorba Lott, Inc., Project Architect - the first phase of the Capitol renovation has been awarded to Alaska Commercial Contractors. The first phase will involve work on the porch and work under the building. One lane of Fourth Street will be closed during most of the construction. The work will go through October. There will be limited complete closure of Fourth Street for heavy equipment; there will be notification prior to complete street closures. Design for Phase II renovation of the building is underway. We are planning on having it out to bid the first of the year. Phase II work will take two to three years. This will impact Fourth, Seward and Main Streets. As a part of the closure notice we will alert the City.

Mr. Watt – we will minimize the number of changes to bus schedules for both Capital Transit and tour companies.

B. FOGs

Mr. Watt – a technical memo is included in the packet on the study to recommend improvements to the wastewater plants, process, and compliance procedures for the Fats, Oils and Greases (FOGs) that are entering the CBJ wastewater system. This issue will come back to the Assembly on some level, such as biosolids, FOGs, and source control (actively managing what is dumped in the sewer system), which all inter-relate to each other. The decisions that are made on all of these issues impact the capital costs, operational, maintenance costs, and costs to the using public. There are three recommendations: implement source control, continue working with the wastewater plants' efficiencies, and develop a new plan to handle biosolids. Staff has been working on the development of bio solids, which will come back to the PWFC later this summer.

Discussion Ensued.

C. Heating Systems

Mr. Watt – in the packet is a short memo with information and samples of the pros and cons and types of issues you weigh when you choose heating system for a facility, which also included a letter that the Forest Service sent to the Mayor about their Wood To Energy program (W2E). The Forest Service letter suggests that the City consider a district heating system for the Dimond Park complex that would be fueled by local wood waste biomass. He feels that the district heating system for Dimond Park is a little aggressive at this point in time. There could be a problem with burn bans in the winter, in comparison with asking residents not to use their wood burning stoves during a burn ban;

and we do not have a stable supply of forest waste. As we look into the design of the new Dimond Park library we will consider the idea of purchasing heat from the High School. If we were to do that we would install a small system at the library.

Discussion Ensued.

D. OHV Park Planning Public Meeting – June 20th, 7:p.m., Assembly Chambers

Mr. Watt – Staff has put together preliminary mapping of slopes, wetlands and other issues for the proposed OHV Park site. We are working with the National Off Highway Vehicle Conservation Council, that help others figure out OHV parks for users. There will be a workshop for the OHV Park on June 20th at 7 p.m. in the Assembly Chambers.

E. Reschedule – June 10th PWFC Meeting to July 1

Mr. Watt – we may have scheduling conflicts this time of the year.

VI. Contracts Division Activity Report

Discussion Ensued.

VII. Adjournment – Next Meeting is scheduled for July 1, 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 12:58 pm.