

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 6, 2022, 6PM
CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5 E. BUTLER ROAD
5th committee meeting

Committee Members present: Jason Kraeling (Chair), Carol King, Michael Reynolds
Others present: PW Director Matt Fleahman and Interim City Administrator Rebecca Vance

1. Call to Order- Chairman Kraeling
2. Public Comment- None
3. Reading and Approval of Minutes
 - a. Public Works Committee Meeting: August 1, 2022

Motion: Councilman Reynolds made a motion to approve the minutes with Councilwoman King seconding.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

4. Reports or Communications from City Officers
 - a. Public Works Director Matt Fleahman- Budget Review
Mr. Fleahman reported all divisions are under budget.

The HVAC replacement program is continuing. The Sports Center will have their units replaced next week.

One phase of the sewer lining project is winding down.

Stormwater Task order 1 with KCI- Bishop Heights has been mapped. The project will be submitted for an ARPA grant. Options will come to committee soon.

We are no longer working with the third-party GIS contractor. Mr. Fleahman has learned how to do GIS and input it in the asset management system.

Road paving is on track.

The department will submit a sewer grant for the RG2 basin. It is a four-million-dollar grant.

- b. Maverick Yards Maintenance

Mr. Fleahman was asked to look at how much it costs for the City to maintain Maverick Yards versus the estimate received from a private contractor. The total expenditure for the City of \$7,522.68 (labor) and \$1,082.40 (fuel) is determined to be \$8,605.08 which is nearly three thousand dollars less than the proposed estimate. The department currently takes care of the landscaping, so this would not be an extra expenditure.

c. Mosquito Spraying Program Analysis

Mr. Fleahman was also asked to provide a cost for the City's mosquito spraying program. A summation of the labor costs, chemical costs, and fuel costs equates to an annual cost of \$17,477.40.

Councilman Reynolds said he has no problem with stopping the program after this season. The spraying is done from April to October.

Mr. Fleahman said the way we are spraying now is not effective. Councilman Reynolds said if we do continue the program, we need to do it correctly. Councilwoman King said she would like to see the program continue properly for the City parks and amphitheater at least so citizens can be comfortable when they attend events.

5. Unfinished Business- There is no unfinished business.

6. New Business

a. Sewer Rehab Program Contract

In the Council approved FY2022 budget, \$600,000 was budgeted in the Sewer Division of the Public Works Department for sewer rehabilitation. These monies were included in the Federal ARPA distribution from October 2022. In the FY2023 Council approved budget, \$734,925 was budgeted in the Sewer Division of the Public Works Department for sewer rehabilitation. These monies are included in the Federal ARPA distribution which will be received in October 2023.

The City of Mauldin and Frazier Engineering entered into an Agreement dated March 15, 2015 for Engineering-Construction Management Services related to the City's Sewer Rehabilitation Program. The contract has been amended to allow for the Engineer to provide general engineering services related to the City's overall rehabilitation program and providing design and construction management services for the City's sewer rehabilitation construction projects. The most recent amendments were made during the December 2021 Council meeting to authorize the use of ARPA funds to rehabilitate additional sewer mainlines.

CaJenn Construction & Rehabilitation is current doing sewer rehabilitation work for the City of Simpsonville and Metro Connects. In both situations, Frazier Engineering is the consulting engineer on the projects. The contracts with Metro and Simpsonville were competitive bid projects which CaJenn Construction & Rehabilitation won. For the work in Mauldin, the Public Works Department asked if the City could "piggy-back," on either contract. Based on a review of both contracts, Frazier Engineering determined that the Metro Connects contract was the "most similar," to our proposed rehabilitation project.

In accordance with the Council approved Purchasing Policy, Cooperative Purchasing is an approved alternative to the sealed bid method of soliciting bids. The cost associated with this contract will not exceed \$1,200,000.

Motion: Councilman Reynolds made a motion to send this item to Council with Councilwoman King seconding.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

b. Missed Garbage Can Fee

During the August 2022 Public Works Committee Meeting, Council requested that the Public Works Department consider a revision to the Solid Waste Ordinance to include a fee for instances when residents do not have their can curbside before 7:30 a.m. on the scheduled collection day

The City could create a fee for a missed can as a fine for violating the Solid Waste Ordinance. As such, a revision of the Solid Waste Ordinance is not required. Committee and Council could enact the fee as part of the City's fee schedule.

The cost associated with the Public Works Department to get a can which wasn't out on the route is approximately 11 dollars. Staff time to accept the money would cost more than 11 dollars. The department gets 6-7 calls per day regarding residents who failed to put their can out on time.

Chairman Kraeling said this could be advertised that the City may propose a fine to get the citizens talking about the issue. That might help solve the problem.

Councilman Reynolds said the trash can pickup could also be added to the GIS services in the future.

This item will come back to committee next month.

Interim Administrator Vance said the City can put out a post reminding everyone of the time to put their trash cans out.

c. Side-Arm Trash Truck Purchase

In the Council approved FY2023 budget, the Public Works Department was provided funds to purchase two new leaf trucks, two new grapple trucks, and two new side-arm trash trucks. The City began its transition to side-arm trash trucks in 2020 and when the two new trucks are delivered in September or October, the entire fleet will have been replaced.

The purchase price of both the grapple truck and leaf truck went up significantly from FY2021 to FY2023. These price changes are due in part to inflation and material shortages. Due to these price changes, the budgeted amounts for both were not sufficient to order two of each. The Public Works Department ordered one of each, with delivery dates of January 2023.

There are remaining funds of \$295,441.68. The department is asking to purchase another side-arm truck with the funds. This will allow for a spare if one needs to be worked on.

After the purchase, there would still be money left over.

Motion: Councilwoman King made a motion to send this item to Council with a number not to exceed \$250,000. Councilman Reynolds seconded the motion.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

d. Stormwater Engineering Task Order 2

Authorization is requested to approve Task Order 02 with KCI to provide stormwater asset inventory, on-call GIS services, stormwater modeling, grant assistance, and a City-Wide Stormwater Master Plan.

The City identified a need to contract KCI to inspect, design, and oversee stormwater construction projects in areas of the City where the installed drainage system is under sized, failing, or absent. This need extends to both the City-owned ROW and private property

Representatives from Public Works and City Administration met with KCI and identified data gaps in the infrastructure inventory, specific GIS needs, and inquired about a City-Wide Master plan and grant assistance. KCI put together Task Order 2 to address these needs.

The City allocated 1,129,724 dollars in year one of the ARPA spending to fund necessary stormwater management projects that improve the City's stormwater infrastructure systems. The engineering services associated with this task order are proposed at \$411,600.

Motion: Councilwoman King made a motion to send this item to Council. Councilman Reynolds seconded the motion.

Vote: The vote was unanimous (3-0).

7. Public Comment

Diane Kuzniar: I am Diane Kuzniar and I live at 503 Knollwood Drive. There have been several complaints regarding broken trash cans. Some are saying the trucks are breaking their cans and some are saying they inherited the can and it was broken then and they are having to duct tape it together. I don't agree they have to pay for a new can. I am wondering if something can come to the next committee about what we can do. Maybe give them the first can and then they have to pay for it if they don't maintain it. I told several people I would bring it up to committee tonight.

8. Committee Concerns

Chairman Kraeling said there was someone online complaining about a broken can. He has since found out that the person was given the can in 2002 when they moved in. It was not picked up by the new trash truck. This is a 20-year-old trash can, not broken by the side-arm. It can be expensive to replace all the trash cans as they are \$65.00 a can. He has an idea that can be discussed later to help mitigate the problem. He did not like the fact that someone was being rude to staff when they are trying to help.

9. Adjournment- Chairman Kraeling adjourned the meeting at 9:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Miller
Municipal Clerk