

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

Updates for Monthly Meeting

May 12, 2020

Project Updates

SE 2nd Street – Contractor is working. City and Public Works staff have been working closely with several home owners with unique tree or other feature issues. Newsletter went out to residents as planned. Short term schedule:

Active on Project – May 11th – 22nd:

1. Existing road section has been excavated to subgrade in phase 1.
2. Subbase was installed and compacted.
3. The Detour is still being used.
4. Pipe crews will be starting May 18th installing the storm pipe lines and manholes.
5. They will lay fabric and begin to install the road mix right behind the pipe crew.
6. The concrete crew will be on site June 1st, to start the Curb, gutter and sidewalk in phase 1.

S Oregon Street Project – Warrington Construction was the low bid (2 bids received, Granite Excavation was the other). The low bid was \$716,225. This was approximately \$200k over the available budget. The estimate was not that far off, but additional budget had been spent to review the basement situation, etc. The project funding went to Council and they approved use of funds from several pots: Public Safety, this year's chip seal (1/3), Fund Exchange and some additional funding from storm water. The project was awarded, and the contractor is getting all the paperwork, traffic control etc. together. Construction should start by May 18th. The City is developing a website and postcards are being developed for information for property owners.

TV Connector Trail – Warrington Construction is currently finalizing work on this project. Finishing touches include benches, bollards, mutt mitts, garbage cans, and some striping and reflectors by Public Works staff. Lots of people have been using the path already!

CDBG Grant – Jacobs staff completed the application within the timeline and submitted (April 30th). Keller Engineers provided the sanitary sewer construction documents and Jacobs provided the environmental documentation required for the application. The application turned out to have 63 attachments! It was incredibly detailed. If won, this grant will provide over \$2M in funding to rehabilitate over 11,000 LF of sanitary sewer line and manholes. This will be a huge step forward in reducing inflow and infiltration (I/I) in the sanitary sewer system – thus reducing the inflow of arsenic from groundwater. We should have information on the grant award by July.

Biosolids Removal – The WWTP has been experiencing odor issues coming from the lagoon system, in particular Lagoon 1 (primary aeration lagoon) has been quite smelly and the City is getting complaints. The City has created an update on the website to share information. The odor is beginning to subside – this is typical for this time of year but has gotten worse as the biosolids in the pond increase. Odor is often associated with the turnover of the pond in the spring. This brings sulfurous gases to the surface where they are released. Jacobs is working quickly to develop a set of contract documents to bid for removal of solids. The team has conducted the solids mapping to date and is working closely with the DEQ to develop an interim Solids Management plan, as none currently exists.

Skate Park Bid – The bid opening for the project was April 7th. Only one bid was received. It was over the available grant funding (roughly \$100k) at \$133k. Because there was only one bid (Holcomb), staff began negotiating with that contractor. The team has been able to come to a reduced amount by having Public Works staff take over some tasks such as painting etc. Additionally, the Rec District has agreed to pay for up to \$16k of work. This should allow the project to move forward.

Playground equipment installation – PW and Parks staff have completed the installation of the playground equipment at Lions Park.

Beck Park Tennis Courts – PW staff have been working back and forth with Cascade Fence. The most current estimate is roughly \$172k. Adam is working to see if the partner will be able to fundraise for that amount. The current estimate includes a \$21k deduction for demolition conducted by PW staff. No additional information on this project at this time.

Beck Park Bridge – PW staff have constructed temporary rails to allow for safe use of the bridge until repairs can be completed.

Chip Seal/Crack Seal – PW staff will refocus on crackfill and chip seal effort – planning for completion in July.

COVID 19 Update

Virus-related Operations Changes - We have changed schedules for all crews in response to the COVID 19. As much work is being done remotely as feasible. On-site, essential operations processes are being modified to limit exposure to those that must be in the field. These typically include the Water and WW staff. Field crews are on-call and check in daily. While the front door of the office is closed, at least one staff member is present daily to answer phones, receive mail/packages, and respond to immediate community needs. Staff members are also working hard to ensure all equipment, tools and the facility itself is wiped down with disinfectant on a regular basis. Staff communicates via a virtual platform on a weekly basis including one-on-one check ins. PW leadership is engaged in the COVID 19 Emergency Management meetings (calls) every Tuesday.