



**The City of Lee's Summit**  
**Action Letter - Final**  
**Public Works Committee**

**Monday, November 2, 2020**

**5:00 PM**

**Via Video Conference and City Council Chambers**

**City Hall**

**220 SE Green Street**

**Lee's Summit, MO 64063**

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Notice is hereby given that the Public Works Committee of the City of Lee's Summit will meet in regular session on Monday, November 2, 2020 at 5:00 pm in person and by video conference as provided by Section 610.015 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri. Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, public attendance in the meeting room at City Hall is extremely limited, and therefore the public is invited to attend the meeting by one of these methods:

- By viewing the meeting on the City website at [www.WatchLS.net](http://www.WatchLS.net), and various cable providers (Spectrum channel 2, Google TV channel 143, AT&T U-Verse channel 99 and Comcast channel 7) for those whose cable providers carry the City of Lee's Summit meetings.
- By sending a request to the City Clerk at [clerk@cityofls.net](mailto:clerk@cityofls.net) to attend the meeting on the Zoom platform. The City Clerk will provide instructions regarding how to attend by this method.

Persons wishing to comment on any item of business on the agenda may do so in writing prior to 12:00 p.m. on Monday, November 2, 2020, by one of the following methods:

- By sending an e-mail to [clerk@cityofls.net](mailto:clerk@cityofls.net),
- By leaving a voicemail at 816-969-1005 or
- By leaving written printed comments in the utility payments drop boxes located in the alley behind City Hall or inside the foyer at the north end of City Hall, both located at 220 SE Green Street, Lee's Summit, MO 64063.

Written comments submitted by these methods will be presented at the Public Works Committee meeting.

In the event that the meeting cannot be broadcast via [www.WatchLS.net](http://www.WatchLS.net) and the cable channels noted above, this agenda will be amended to include directions for the public to attend via the Zoom software platform at [www.Zoom.com](http://www.Zoom.com); such amendment will include a specific link to attend the Public Works Committee meeting.

## 1. Call to Order

The November 2, 2020 Public Works Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman DeMoro, at 5:02 p.m. via Zoom, in the City Council Chambers. Notice had been provided by posting the meeting notice with a tentative agenda, at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting, at both entrances to City Hall.

## 2. Roll Call

Councilmember Carlyle was not present for roll call but arrived at 5:24 p.m

**Present:** 4 - Chairperson Fred DeMoro  
Councilmember Trish Carlyle  
Councilmember Hillary Shields  
Alternate Diane Forte

**Absent:** 1 - Vice Chair Phyllis Edson

## 3. Approval of Agenda

**A motion was made by Alternate Forte, seconded by Councilmember Shields, to approve the agenda as posted. The motion carried by a unanimous 3-0 vote (Councilmember Carlyle "absent" until later in the meeting).**

## 4. Public Comments

Councilmember Bob Johnson made a public comment regarding the renaming of Todd George Parkway/Road. He addressed that a process for street naming was adopted 10 years ago. He wanted to make sure that Committee members are aware that the name of the street was not a decision made by the Lee's Summit City Council.

A comment was also received by email from Mr. Dale Coy in regards to the renaming of Todd George Parkway. This will be made part of the record and attached to the Action Letter for this meeting.

## 5. Business

- A. [2020-3706](#) Approval of the September 16, 2020, Public Works Committee Action Letter.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Shields, seconded by Alternate Forte, to approve the Public Works Committee Action Letter dated September 16, 2020. The motion carried by a unanimous 3-0 vote. (Councilmember Carlyle "absent" until later in the meeting)**

- B. [BILL NO. 20-208](#) An Ordinance approving Change Order #2 to the contract with VF Anderson Builders, LLC for the Cedar Creek Interceptor, Phase 3 project, an increase of 55 calendar days to reach Substantial and Final Completion for a revised Substantial Completion Date of November 17, 2020. (PWC 11/02/20)

**A motion was made by Alternate Forte, seconded by Councilmember Shields, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval to the City Council. The motion carried by a unanimous 3-0 vote (Councilmember Carlyle "absent" until later in the meeting).**

- C. [BILL NO. 20-209](#) An Ordinance approving Modification No. 1 to an On-Call Agreement for Professional Land Surveying Services (RFQ No. 2020-015-2) by and between the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri, and Wilson & Company, Inc. for professional

land surveying services for the East Prairie Lee Interceptor Sewer Upgrade Project for a not-to-exceed amount of \$60,000.00, and authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement of the same. (PWC 11/02/20)

**A motion was made by Councilmember Shields, seconded by Councilmember Carlyle, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval to the City Council. The motion carried by a unanimous 4-0 vote.**

- D. [BILL NO. 20-210](#) An Ordinance awarding the bid for Project No. 340 for the Sanitary Sewer Small Main Replacement Project to Wiedenmann, Inc. in the amount of \$1,418,820.00, and authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement for the same. (PWC 11/2/20)

**A motion was made by Councilmember Shields, seconded by Alternate Forte, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval to the City Council. The motion carried by a unanimous 4-0 vote.**

- E. [BILL NO. 20-211](#) An Ordinance authorizing the execution of a cooperative agreement for funding operations of Operation Green Light traffic control system by and between the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri, and the Mid-America Regional Council. (PWC 11/2/20)

**A motion was made by Alternate Forte, seconded by Councilmember Shields, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval to the City Council. The motion carried by a unanimous 4-0 vote.**

- F. [BILL NO. 20-212](#) An Ordinance authorizing the execution of an agreement for transit service by and between the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri, and OATS, Inc. for transit service effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 and commitment of eligible Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 Formula Funds to OATS for transit service. (PWC 11/02/20)

**A motion was made by Alternate Forte, seconded by Councilmember Shields, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval to the City Council. The motion carried by a unanimous 4-0 vote.**

- G. [2020-3720](#) Discussion - Street Name Change (Todd George Parkway/Road)

Michael Park, City Traffic Engineer, brought forth a discussion to review the process of renaming Todd George Rd and Todd George Parkway. The topic was discussed at the City Council level then referred to the Public Works Committee. His presentation included a review of the Street Name Policy, street name recommendations, the impacts of change, implementation, and next steps.

Mr. Park outlined the street name policy adopted in 2009 for uniformity and expectations and he stated that most street names are determined by developers as subdivisions and plats are laid out. The name recommendation for Todd George Parkway from staff is Ranson Parkway. It aligns with Ranson Road, conforms to policy, and is supported by Planning and Fire Departments. Options recommended for Todd George Road are Misty Road, Mimosa Drive, and Prairie Lee Road.

Implementation of the change can begin as soon as a recommendation for a street name replacement has been finalized. It will go to Development Services and follow the street name process: public hearings at Planning Commission and City Council. When final adoption by Ordinance is approved by Council or public vote, the City would begin replacing the street name signs. The City will also file change of address with the postal service. That filing would impact the property owners and system updates in GIS and mapping. The update also affects various stakeholders such as Google and Yahoo.

During comments, Councilmember Forte asked if the Ranson name was researched since that is one of the recommendations. Mr. Park stated that the City Clerk found no reference as to how that name came about and found nothing negative. Christal Weber, Assistant City Manager, reached out to the LS Historical Society, county, and state archives about the name Ranson. They can't determine that it was named after a particular person or Ranson. Chairman DeMoro stated this is a consideration of possible names, the rest is predicated on any action by the City Council. He asked how it would affect postal delivery. Ms. Weber commented about the address changes saying that when a global renaming is done, an individual property owner does not need to notify the post office of their new address. The City's notification changes that and goes into a master mailing system giving individuals plenty of time to change addresses with doctors, companies, etc.

Michael Park suggested it going back to City Council for confirmation with the Public Works Committee wanting to follow the existing process that is in place and in conformance to policy that already exists. There was support for Ranson Parkway as following that policy and Mimosa Dr. It was suggested to take those recommendations back to City Council. The Committee finished the discussion by voting 4-0 to moving the street name discussion to City Council for consideration with no recommendation for street names.

H. [2020-3749](#) Discussion of Stormwater Utility Rate Study

George Binger, City Engineer, presented the Stormwater Utility Development process. The idea of developing a stormwater utility has come up several times and he gave the history up to this point. The goal of the study is to design an equitable and sustainable utility to provide stormwater services. It is guided by Federal and State regulatory requirements, the Comprehensive Plan, and the Strategic Plan goals for stormwater management. It will develop a framework for full organizational structure, a billing system, user fees, and operational objectives and policies.

Councilmember DeMoro asked how long it would take to implement once the study is done. Mr. Binger said the process would most likely take between 2-3 years. First being the process of the study, election, developing the legal

ramifications, then going live with the billing system. Councilmember DeMoro also asked if we would inform developers that this process is in the works so down the road they are not surprised that the impervious coverage is going to be taxed or a rate involved. Mr. Binger said the key is that this would be a public process, it would look at the stake holders involved, and would guide stormwater policy. Up to this point it has been a micro-level per parcel per development type of approach to detention and with a utility this gives us chance to look at more of a watershed based approach. The Development community will definitely be informed and the Idea of the credits is that by reducing the amount of runoff onsite that will reduce operating costs. Chairman DeMoro then closed the discussion and thanked Mr. Binger for his informative presentation and hard work.

I. [2020-3721](#) Discussion - Downtown Area Infrastructure Improvements

Michael Park, City Traffic Engineer, led discussion about older or well established infrastructure that predates the current standards. The areas typically do not have curbs, have open ditches, lacks current sidewalks, water, sewer, and stormwater. For the area goals or vision he presented three key questions. What is the area to be focused on? What are the needs or wants to be improved? How should it look? He detailed in the presentation a map with locations throughout the city with older infrastructure that should be updated. Next steps will be to define applicable conditions and quantify, develop an improvement approach, and then plan for funding. He asked the Committee for direction to follow up conversations with the Public Works Committee about policy, prioritization, and funding.

Councilmember Forte commented that concentrating on the Downtown area is a great beginning step. Councilmember Carlyle thought that starting with Downtown is great but does know that neighborhoods in her district have older infrastructure as well. She wondered if there are date maps of the City so it can be handled by date throughout the City.

In defining the infrastructure needed for improvement, Mr. Park suggested to keep it broad with putting an emphasis on the Downtown area as a prioritization process. He also suggested bringing back a list that is based more on factual needs of capacity and safety. Then tally the remainder of the infrastructure improvements as a wish list based on a non-functional list issue. This was agreed upon by the Committee and Chairman DeMoro thanked Mr. Park for his educational presentation.

## 6. Roundtable

Christal Webber wanted to remind the Committee and residents that the Airport Master Plan Project Open House is available online. There is a live virtual reality 3D method or a 2D version on the City's website. She invited all to listen to as many tracks as they could. She encouraged filling out the survey and that they needed feedback from the community.

## 7. Adjournment

The November 2, 2020 Public Works Committee meeting was adjourned by Chairman DeMoro at 7:12 p.m. at City Hall, 220 SE Green Street, City Council Chambers and via video conference.

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Regarding item 2020-3720 on the Public Works Committee agenda, 2 November 2020:

Todd George was clearly prejudiced and a segregationist. So were the great majority of men (and ,later, women) who elected him Lee's Summit Mayor (for several terms), and Jackson County Treasurer. Considering whether to rename things that recognize him is certainly appropriate.

I believe that the City should have a policy regarding what circumstances should justify the renaming of streets, buildings, parks, etc. That general policy should be put in place before considering any individual actions. (Like renaming William B. Howard Station and Park; the building that now houses the Stanley; Longview; Todd George Road, etc.).

The Commission on Diversity and Inclusion might have a major role in developing that policy. As well as the Historic Preservation Commission, the Parks and Recreation Board, and others.

Establishing a policy FIRST would help in avoiding several FUTURE extended discussions regarding names of other streets, parks, and buildings.

Thanks,  
Dale E. Coy  
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