

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

Monday, June 1, 2020

5:30 PM

Via Video Conference

Notice is hereby given that the Public Works Committee for the City of Lee's Summit will meet on Monday, June 1, 2020 at 5:30 pm via video conference as provided by Section 610.015 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri. Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, City Hall will be physically closed and therefore, the public is invited to attend by viewing the meeting on the City website at 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. In the event that the meeting cannot be broadcast via 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; such amendment will include a specific link to attend the committee meeting. Additionally, 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, June 1, 2020, either by e-mail to: 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 meeting.

Preliminaries

- A. Invocation
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Call to Order

The June 1, 2020, Public Works Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Faith at 5:33 p.m. via video conference.

- D. Roll Call

Present: 4 - Chairperson Craig Faith
Vice Chair Rob Binney
Councilmember Fred DeMoro
Councilmember Phyllis Edson

1. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Vice Chair Binney, seconded by Councilmember Edson, to approve the agenda as posted. The motion carried by a unanimous 4-0 vote.

2. Public Comments

None

3. Business

- A. [2020-3493](#) Approval of the March 2, 2020 and May 4, 2020 Public Works Committee Action Letters.

A motion was made by Councilmember Edson, seconded by Councilmember DeMoro, to approve the Public Works Committee Action Letters dated March 2 and May 4, 2020. The motion carried by a unanimous 4-0 vote.

- B. [BILL NO. 20-105](#) An Ordinance awarding the bid for Project No. 419 for the Jefferson Street Improvements: Persels Road to Oldham Parkway to MegaKC Corporation, in the amount of \$2,589,276.00, and authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement for the same. (PWC 6/1/20)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Binney, seconded by Councilmember Edson, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval to City Council. The motion carried by a unanimous 4-0 vote.

- C. [BILL NO. 20-106](#) An Ordinance authorizing execution of a Municipal Agreement by and between the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri, and the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for construction and maintenance activities related to the public improvement project designated as Route 291 Intersection Safety Improvements, from just north of 16th Street to just south of Scherer Road-Thompson Drive, Job J4P3255, within the city limits of Lee's Summit, Missouri. (PWC 6/1/20)

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

- D. [BILL NO. 20-107](#) An Ordinance approving the use of the Cooperative Contract, LS Contract 2018-097, for installation of Cast In Place Pipe (CIPP) and Lateral Connection Repairs (LCR) in an amount not to exceed \$900,000 and authorizing the City Manager to execute same on behalf of the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri. (PWC 6/1/20)

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

- E. [BILL NO. 20-108](#) An Ordinance authorizing the execution of an engineering contract (RFQ 2020-025) by and between the City of Lee's Summit, Missouri and HDR Engineering, Inc. for the Wastewater Master Plan in the amount of \$485,030 and authorizing the City Manager to enter into the same. (PWC 6/1/20)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Binney, seconded by Councilmember DeMoro, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval to City Council. The motion carried by a unanimous 4-0 vote.

- F. [BILL NO. 20-109](#) An Ordinance approving a non-exclusive utility easement in favor of Evergy, Inc. for electric energy and communication purposes on land generally located at Summit Waves, a facility owned and operated by the Lee's Summit Parks and Recreation Board, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same by and on behalf of the City. (PWC 6/1/20)

A motion was made by Vice Chair Binney, seconded by Councilmember Edson, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval to City Council. The motion carried by a unanimous 4-0 vote.

4. Roundtable

Councilmember Binney started off Roundtable by thanking Chairman Faith for his service and leadership for the last two years on the Committee.

Councilmember Binney said that while no one wants to deal with streets and the things that go underground, this Committee is vitally important to keep the City moving forward. Councilmember Edson echoed those comments expressing appreciation for the time Chairman Faith has spent on this Committee.

Councilmember Edson said that no one appreciates how much work goes into this committee, the work that staff does, and that it is not sexy from a political standpoint but it is so important. Councilmember DeMoro also expressed appreciation.

Chairman Faith said a constituent at 620 SW Winter Garden Circle reached out to him upset about a stop sign placed in his front yard. Michael Park, City Traffic Engineer, spoke to this issue saying it could have been directed to his office for him to address this individual. In the summer of 2013, there was a conversation about a policy regarding intersections where there is a T or cul-de-sac and the need for stop signs. As they discussed that policy the decision was to err on the side of safety and provide signs at locations that came up in safety audits comprehensively throughout the city.

Chairman Faith had received inquiries about the new water billing system. Mark Schaufler, Director of Water Utilities, said the new system does require a fee when paying by credit or debit card. The charge was initiated following a Citywide survey conducted amongst customers. It asked if all customers should bare the expense for credit card charges. The results were that 59% indicated individuals using a card should incur the charge, 11% no response, and 30% indicated fees should be shared by all. Results were discussed with the Water Utility Advisory Board and changes were implemented to the new billing system.

Christal Weber, Assistant City Manager, expressed gratitude from the staff to the whole committee for their service, the difficult decisions they have had to make, and the respect they have shown staff. Ms. Weber stated that there is no doubt those who follow will be just as strong and follow the example that has been set. She then announced this was the last meeting with the Public Works

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Director Dena Mezger since she is retiring after working with the City over 20 years. The Committee members each congratulated Ms. Mezger and thanked her for her years of service.

5. Adjournment

The June 1, 2020, Public Works Committee meeting via video conference was adjourned by Chairman Faith at 6:30 p.m.

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