

AGENDA

2018 CONTRACTOR/DEVELOPER/ENGINEERS MEETING

November 14, 2018

8:00 – 11:00 MEETING

- I. Review Minutes of Last Meeting
- II. Opening Remarks from Rob Phillips, City Engineer
The 2019 Budget was passed by the Common Council early Wednesday morning. The following construction projects were highlighted by John Fahrney for 2019: Buckeye Road, Highway M, Dairy Drive (new), Johnson Street (with DOT), Park Street Joint Repairs, and a new street on the west side. Also included were 19 million for pavement management (crack sealing, resurfacing) and 22 million for street reconstruction.
- III. Comments by Department of Civil Rights
Personnel changes in recent months. In particular, Austin Johnson is no longer working at the City. His position (which will be bi-lingual) is currently posted and they hope to fill it by the end of January. Felicia and Kate are filling in until position is filled.

Purchasing threshold will likely increase from \$25,000 to \$50,000 in 2019. Common Council will consider 11/20/18. AA plans will be required above that threshold. (purchase orders, etc...)
- IV. Comments by Water Utility
Construction projects similar in scope to 2018. Highway M and Buckeye will be the major projects. No Facility work is planned and Well 12 has been delayed to possibly 2024. Lining work will continue per usual.
- V. Comments by Traffic Engineering
No one in attendance.

Overall situation has improved, but delineators sometimes are missed in proposal.

Action Item: Request made for TC expectations in special provisions on collectors and arterial streets.

Issues with people parking in work zones and removing signage. Towing of vehicles delays the work to be done. Could options be explored to help resolve this? Larger sign at project limits or more permanent sign vs the individual cardboard signs?

Emphasize to residents in PR letter that driveway access will be limited?

Action Item: Meeting with TE and Parking Enforcement staff and contractors.

- VI. Comments by Parks Department
The normal mix of contracts expected in 2019. Highlights include Burr Jones parking lot, Athletic field lighting at same location, Olbrich parking lot (near Walter St shelter), and repaving of Winter Creek Drive. Warner Beach Shelter currently in design.
- VII. Proposed Specification Revisions (highlights presented)
- Liquidated damage increased proposed by Engineering; not changed in recent revisions.
 - When setting castings don't finish off to the inside of the casting. Pieces may flake off and fall into the SAS flowline.
 - Separate bid item for cut off wall at AE was requested.
 - Parks may add concrete washout definition yet this year.
 - Water Utility adding improved coupling/sleeves.
 - Questions raised about cut-in definition with no pay for incidental pipe.
 - Removing copper laterals requirement
- Action Item:** Request made to provide preliminary specification information before it goes to BPW, so contractors have a chance to weigh-in first.
- VIII. Bid Express Price Changes: Monthly Fee (\$50) will remain the same. Per bid fee is being increased from \$25 to \$40 on February 16, 2019
No comments.
- IX. Contractor/Developer/Engineer Comments
- Disappointment expressed that upper management and TE representatives are not attending these meetings.
 - Contractors are running into issues trying to work with MG&E, AT&T, Charter et al. Comments that they don't seem to care how their schedule affects others. Is there any way the City can help? Charge Utilities liquidated damages, extend contract days were discussed.
 - **Action Item:** Include utility work in plans. City staff and contractors meet with the Utilities for planning purposes.
 - **Action Item:** Review lateral abandonment provisions.
 - **Action Item:** Review ULO contracts. The contract is too vague. Suggestion made to have separate bid items based on quantity of ULOs per mobilization. Base mobilization on number of ULOs
 - **Action Item:** Improve televising coordination. Add days to contract, could Engineering Operations mobilize twice...

2019 Meeting Dates

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