

## **PUBLIC WORKS / FINANCE / SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Monday, August 20, 2018

Present: Mayor Caron and Council Members Buhler, Danforth, Lalim, Mantey, Roby, Solum, Thorson, Vilhauer & Weyh

Also Present: Heath VonEye, Colin Paulsen, Matt Roby, Kristen Bobzien, & others

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sarah Caron.

### **Approval of the Consent Agenda**

Motion was made by Adam Lalim and seconded by Beth Mantey to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: minutes from the August 6, 2018 Public Works/Finance/Safety Committee meeting. All voted in favor and motion carried.

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Approval of the Agenda**

Mayor Caron proposes to move Item 6 to the top of the agenda. Motion was made by Glen Vilhauer and seconded by Bruce Buhler to approve the agenda as amended; all voted in favor and motion carried.

### **Authorization for Mayor to sign a contract with a consultant to complete Highway 212 Phase II Traffic Impact Study.**

City Engineer Heath VonEye introduced this topic by explaining that staff has received three proposals for a traffic impact study in relation to DOT's Highway 212 construction project. Staff recommends awarding the contract to HR Green in the amount of \$33,000. The other two proposals were from HDR Engineering for \$46,330, and FHU Engineering for \$40,750. Mike Danforth joined the meeting at this point. Assistant City Engineer Colin Paulsen reviewed a diagram of the four intersections that are proposed for improvements, which are 11<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>, and 17<sup>th</sup> Streets East. Mayor Caron added that this analysis is required by the DOT, and will be funded from this year's CIP. The scope of the traffic study will not include any costs to the proposed intersection modifications; it will only study the traffic flows, and will provide recommendations on how DOT designs Highway 212. DOT's plan is to complete the intersection modifications in 2021 and the highway reconstruction the following year. The intersection modifications will bring up a couple of projects that the city will look at doing in the future. Motion was made by Bruce Buhler and seconded by Adam Lalim to recommend the contract with HR Green for the Traffic Impact Study in the amount of \$33,000; all voted in favor and motion carried.

### **Sidewalk Cost Sharing Program Presentation**

Colin Paulsen gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Sidewalk Cost-Sharing Program, including the history of the program, reimbursements to date, number of property owners who have taken advantage of the program, number of square footage of sidewalks that have been replaced under the program, ordinances regarding sidewalk repair and maintenance, permit requirements, and snow removal. He also reviewed the Cost-Sharing Policy line-by-line. The possibility of having a curb replacement reimbursement program was discussed. Mike Danforth reminded the public to maintain the trees and shrubs that encroach or overhang the sidewalks. Don Roby urged homeowners to take advantage of the program while it is available. No formal action was taken.

### **Consideration of Change Order No. 1 with Rounds Construction Company, Inc. for the Shooting Range Construction Project No. 1619.**

Colin Paulsen reviewed Change Order No. 1 with Rounds Construction for the Shooting Range Construction Project. The change order is to extend the completion date by 21 days, due to materials being delayed. The contract amount will not be impacted. Colin gave an update on the possibility of

adding a 300-yard lane. Motion was made by Josh Weyh and seconded by Beth Mantey to recommend approval of Change Order No. 1; all voted in favor and motion carried.

***Old Business***

Mayor Caron took this opportunity to address some confusion about the ice arena project. A recent column in the newspaper has generated a lot of discussion about the proposed economic analysis related to this project. The ice arena project has not been, and will not be, held up for the economic analysis. The project is not stalled; it is in the design stage and moving forward as planned. The committee is working hard to come up with a well-designed arena. The purpose of the economic analysis is to have a plan to pay for the arena's ongoing expenses after it is built. The question is not whether or not we need a new arena, we have already decided that we do. The question is how much will it cost to keep it running and how much revenue will be generated when comparing various options that are being considered. Some options will generate more revenue than others. Whether we hire a consultant to do the economic analysis or we do it ourselves, it is important to have the best possible information so that the council can make an informed decision.

***New Business***

City Attorney Matt Roby asked for council feedback on a proposed ordinance amendment following the recent legislature's revision to SDCL Chapter 35 relating to Sunday alcohol sales. Previously, if we wanted to allow Sunday alcohol sales, we had to affirmatively allow it in our ordinance. Now it is the other way around. By state statute, alcohol sales are allowed every day of the year from 7:00 am to 2:00 am unless we restrict it. This went into effect on July 1, 2018. Our current ordinance reads that alcohol can be served and sold from 11:00 am to midnight. An ordinance amendment is necessary, but do we want to keep the same restrictions we had before, or fall in line with the new state statute? After discussion, Matt was given the direction to modify the ordinance to reflect the new state statute, and bring this forward for a decision.

***Executive Session***

None held.

Motion made by Bruce Buhler and seconded by Josh Weyh to adjourn meeting at approximately 5:00 p.m.; all voted in favor and motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lori Marscheider