

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS
June 17, 2020
Government Center Room 204

Members Present: Jenny Van Sickle, Esther Dalbec, Ruth Ludwig, Craig Sutherland (alt)

Also Present: Todd Janigo, Chris Carlson, Kara Czapinski, Ada Tse, Tonia Kittelson, Tylor Elm, Jasmine Haroldson, Mayor Paine

1. Approval of May 20, 2020 meeting minutes.

MOTION by Ludwig, seconded by Dalbec and carried, to approve the Public Works Committee minutes of May 20, 2020.

2. Husky Energy requests creation of an additional crosswalk on Stinson Avenue to aid safe crossing of refinery pedestrian traffic.

Director Janigo received a request from representatives at Husky to add an additional crosswalk between the new laydown area and the refinery on Stinson Avenue. The City typically doesn't put crosswalks in at mid-block; however, there is a high volume of pedestrian traffic moving back and forth across Stinson at this location. The plan going forward would be to paint the crosswalk only, with Husky covering the costs for flashing lights if requested.

MOTION by Ludwig, seconded by Dalbec and carried, to approve the additional crosswalk on Stinson Avenue.

3. Councilor Sutherland is submitting a Sidewalk Elimination Petition Request for the even (east) side of Pennsylvania between N. 19th and N. 21st Streets.

The committee discussed the Sidewalk Petition Request and decided to take no action. The committee discussion showed a preference towards replacement rather than removal of the sidewalks. Discussion included consideration of examining pedestrian traffic patterns through the corridor and speaking to Cooper School regarding their future plans.

No motion or action taken.

4. Councilor Elm requests a 2-way stop at North 17th Street and Hughitt Avenue.

Councilor Tylor Elm brought this request forward on behalf of resident Jasmine Harold who lives near this intersection. Harold spoke to the committee about her concerns and mentioned accidents that have occurred at this intersection, including one that caused damage to her vehicle that was parked on the corner. Committee members verified the requested location of the stop sign and it was indicated that motorists would be going down North 17th and stopping at Hughitt Avenue. Janigo stated that between Belknap Street and North 21st Street (16th-20th) all streets have yield signs at Hughitt Avenue. There was a discussion about the distance that cars must park from the corner of an intersection (15 feet). It was suggested that Public Works could paint the corner curbs to highlight where parking is not allowed. Van Sickle requested crash data for the intersection to aid in the final decision.

Motion by Van Sickle, seconded by Dalbec and carried, to table the item until the next Public Works Committee Meeting.

5. ESD Staff Ada Tse, Andrea Crouse, and Tonia Kittelson are submitting revisions to Ordinances 104-252 (Grading and Drainage), 104-277 (Roofs and Drainage), and 104-471 (General).

Tse stated the ordinances revision is to clarify requirements for sump pumps and clear water discharges. The ordinance revisions were tabled from the last meeting. Ludwig had requested a copy of the consultant's recommendations and requested time to compare the consultant's language to what is being proposed. After review of the Green Infrastructure Code Audit, it was determined that ESD produced a better product than what was in the audit, and they did excellent work on this.

MOTION by Ludwig, seconded by Dalbec and carried, to approve revision to Ordinances 104-252, 104-277, and 104-471.

6. ESD Director's Report

Committee members received ESD Director Steve Roberts report via email. There were no questions.

MOTION by Ludwig, seconded by Dalbec and carried, to receive and file the ESD Director's Report.

7. Public Works Director's Report.

Janigo stated that Building Inspection is ecstatic about the new Tylor Software Program. He believes that it will be good for the department and the public. He reported that the E. 3rd Street culvert project is completed. The City will be paving it later this year. The Moccasin Mike Culverts are completed, seeded, and paved. Milling at N. 28th Street has started. In a couple of weeks, the rail crossing will be completed. The work will require a three-week closure. He also gave an update on the East 2nd Street project and indicated next steps will include sandblasting and pouring of the 25th Avenue East bridge deck followed by a polymer overlay. Milling of the roadway should begin the second week of July. Milling and overlaying should be about a month long project. Sidewalks are wrapping up; the City is currently working on F Street, and a couple of smaller projects.

MOTION by Ludwig, seconded by Dalbec and carried, to receive and file the Public Works Director's Report.

Van Sickle announced the meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

The next Public Works Committee meeting will be held July 15 at 5 p.m. in Room 204 of the Government Center.

Minutes submitted to the Council Meeting of July 7, 2020.