

SERVICE-SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

FEBRUARY 4, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 6:13 p.m. by Chairman John Kevern. Committee members present were: John Kevern, Tom Mackin and Mike Olmstead. Also present were City Administrator Bridgette Kabat, Law Director Mathew Beredo, Service Director Jon Eckel, and City Engineer Doug Dariano.

FORT MEIGS ROAD FEASIBILITY STUDY

Representatives of Proudfoot Associates and Hull & Associates, Inc. presented to the Committee the results of a Feasability study for widening Fort Meigs Road between Roachton Road and Five Point Road. There were three options presented. The Committee acknowledged the need to improve this road, and they agreed 3-0 to recommend the option of widening the road to the east. This option was chosen because it would save the City approximately \$700,000 and it would not take as long because we would not need a permit to relocate the ditch. Mr. Olmstead noted that although he is in support of this option, he has concerns anytime we have to take property from homeowners. Mr. Eckel suggested looking at installing a multi-use path as opposed to a sidewalk. He said he realizes it will put us closer to the houses, but this path would connect the existing Rivers Edge and Brookhaven subdivisions to the High School, Levis, and Rivercrest and Rotary Parks. There is also the potential for more development in that area. The Committee agreed that we ought to at least get an estimate for a multi-use path in lieu of a sidewalk.

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR DIVERGENT DIAMOND CONCEPT FOR SR25/US ROUTE 475 INTERCHANGE

Mr. Dariano stated that ODOT presented the concept of a divergent diamond for the SR25/475 area. ODOT will pay 100% of the cost as long as the work is done within the right-of-way. This is a relatively new concept, but it is economical and will improve safety in the area by reducing conflict points. Mr. Dariano said this is not a band-aid, it could be a permanent solution for the traffic congestion in that area. Ms. Kabat stated that ODOT said there are currently 26 conflict points in that area and that number would be reduced to fourteen with the new configuration. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of a resolution of support for the concept.

CONTRACTS WITH ODOT FOR RESURFACING PROJECTS

Mr. Dariano requested approval of contracts with ODOT for resurfacing of SR25 from Findlay Street to Front Street, and SR65 from SR25 to the Waterville Bridge. ODOT will be leading both of these projects. The City is responsible for 100% of the costs of full depth pavement repair, curb repair, curb ramp construction/repair, and sidewalk and median work. ODOT will pay for 80% of the eligible resurfacing costs with the City paying 20%. The SR25 project is budgeted in 2013 and ODOT has estimated the City's share at \$220,000. The SR65 project will be budgeted in 2014 and ODOT is estimating the City's share at \$200,000. Mr. Dariano said that he will budget \$600,000 because there may be three culverts that need to be repaired and for other

contingencies. Mr. Dariano added that the City will only be assessed for areas that are within the corporation limits of the City. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of contracts for both projects.

AWARD CONTRACT FOR RESURFACING SR65 FROM EAST BOUNDARY TO BURLINGWOOD

Mr. Dariano reported that bids were opened on January 30th for resurfacing SR65 from East Boundary to Burlingwood. This is an ODOT project but is being handled by the City. ODOT will reimburse the City for 80% of eligible resurfacing costs up to \$210,000. ODOT estimated the City's share at \$492,500 based on a project estimate of \$702,500. However, the low bid came in at \$578,870.55 so our share should be lower than the \$492,500. The low bid was received from Bowers Asphalt and Paving. The City has worked with them before and they are pre-qualified by ODOT. The Committee agreed 3-0 to recommend approval of the contract with Bowers Asphalt.

LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER FOR BAI DU WIN LTD, DBA BAI DU

Mr. Eckel reported that Bai Du Win Ltd. dba Bai Du is requesting a liquor license transfer. He said that Chief Paez has no concerns about the transfer. The Committee agreed 3-0 to not recommend a hearing for this liquor license transfer.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Next regular meeting: Monday, March 4, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Kevern, Chairman
Service-Safety Committee