

CAPITAL OUTLAY AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2021

7:00PM

A Capital Outlay and Infrastructure Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 virtually via Zoom.

Committee Members Present: Cathy White, Chair
Jim Jolly, Vice Chair
Scott Bahr, Member

Committee Members Absent: None

City Council Members Present: Rob Donovic, Councilmember

City Officials and Others Present: Lynda Scheel, City Treasurer
Don Rohraff, Director of Public Works
Mark Taormina, Planning and Economic Dev. Director
Assistant City Attorney Eric Goldstein
LaShawn Thomas, Director of Governmental Affairs
Michael Slater, Finance Director
Connie Kumpula, Chief Accountant
Jennifer Schilk, Accountant

See attached Zoom attendee report.

The meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.

1. CR 277-20 Subject matter of an education session regarding water rates, specifically how annual water rates are determined.

Finance Director, Michael Slater provided an overview of the water rate setting process. Information was provided regarding the costs for water purchases from Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) and sewer purchases from Wayne County. The goal is to set rates (effective July 1, 2021) to cover the City's costs of \$43,106,000.

The factors impacting the rate charged from GLWA include distance/elevation from the GLWA treatment plant, annual volume billed, max day usage and peak hour usage.

Data regarding water sales and water loss for the last 10 years was presented. The overall trend is towards lower sales due to more efficient appliances and machinery.

Reasons for water loss were discussed and the City replaces approximately 1,500 water meters annually to address the issue of slow running meters.

Information was given regarding the average quarterly costs of residential bills.

A comparison of water & sewer bills in surrounding communities showed that the City's 2021 rate is the third lowest rate among these communities. The water and sewer rate history of the City shows fairly small rate increases in recent years.

The Committee recommends:

No further action

Note: This item will be out of Committee.

This item is to be placed on the **Regular Meeting Agenda of June 14, 2021**

2. CR 105-14 Subject matter of 2014–2019 Capital Improvement Program.
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The Committee recommends:

No further action.

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3. CR 262-16 Subject matter of 2016-2021 Capital Improvement Program.

Planning Director Taormina described how the City will be modifying its process for entering data pertaining to capital improvements. The data will be continually updated by department heads to provide enhanced capability for searching and analyzing the information and it will be submitted to the Planning Commission for approval on an annual basis.

The Committee recommends:

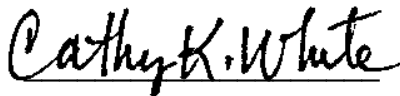
No further action.

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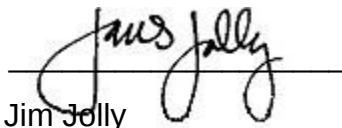
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The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

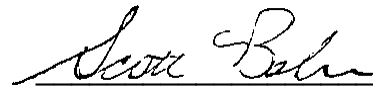
Respectfully submitted,



Cathy White
Chair



Jim Jolly
Vice Chair



Scott Bahr
Member

cc: City Clerk, City Attorney

Attachment - Attendee Report

Public Safety Health and Environment Committee Meeting of 06/16/2021

Additional Audience Attendees:

Scott Morgan

Robert Morikawa