

CITY OF WARRENVILLE
PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, August 14, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers at City Hall
28W701 Stafford Place, Warrenville, IL 60555

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Davolos called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Physically Present: Vice Chairman Kathy Davolos, Mayor David Brummel, and Aldermen: Stuart Aschauer, J.P. Augustynowicz, Craig Kruckenberg, John Lockett, Bill Weidner, and Judy Wilkie

Absent: Ald. Clare Barry

Also Present: City Administrator Cristina White, Assistant City Administrator Alma Morgan, Public Works Director Phil Kuchler, Senior Civil Engineer Kristine Hocking, Capital Maintenance Superintendent Jamie Clark, Streets Division Crew Leader Jeff Simmons, City Treasurer Maury Goodman, and Executive Assistant and Deputy City Clerk Dawn Grivetti

Also Absent: City Clerk Julie Clark

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chairman Davolos led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public at this time.

E. OFFICIALS AND STAFF COMMENTS

Ald. Kruckenberg thanked the Warrenville Friends of the 4th committee for their hard work and dedication in making the recent Independence Day Celebration so special.

F. BUSINESS OF MEETING

1. Consideration of OSLAD Grant Resolution for Cerny Park

Public Works Director (PWD) Kuchler stated that the Cerny Park playground and shelter building are overdue for significant maintenance and replacement. He noted that the City has engaged Hitchcock Design Group (HDG) to prepare an application for a 50% matching Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) with a maximum award of \$600,000.

PWD Kuchler indicated the City will be working with the Warrenville Park District on the long-term goal of transferring Cerny Park to the Park District. He added that the first step in the transfer will be to perform the necessary improvements and upgrades to the playground and shelter. City and Park District staff have worked with HDG and the City Park Task Force on the conceptual phased improvement plan and cost estimate for the project. The plan was presented to the Park District Board and at a public meeting on July 20, 2023.

A representative of HDG gave a presentation on the OSLAD grant program, concept plan for park improvements, cost review, and project schedule. The preliminary grant cost is estimated at \$1.2 million with a scheduled completion date in 2026.

There was discussion regarding the permanency of the design plan elements and the maximum grant contribution. There was discussion regarding the potential to include a splash pad in Phase I. The representative from HDG stated that when planning discussions began, staff prioritized improvements important to the community now, and planned for other improvements to be included in future phases. She added that, given the estimated cost for the planned splash pad, it was recommended the pad remain part of Phase II, unless the City was willing to contribute additional funds for Phase I. It was noted that a second grant can be requested for the next phase of the project.

There was discussion regarding the level of involvement by the Park District and the source of City funding for the project. PWD Kuchler stated that staff has worked closely with the Park District throughout the conceptual phase, and that a majority of the City's portion of the funding for the improvements aside from the grant, would come from accumulated developer park donations.

Vice Chairman Davolos asked if parking was thought to be an issue with the proposed park improvements. The HDG representative indicated it would not, as the proposed improvements and new amenities would not attract larger crowds than already exist with the current park amenities.

ALDERMAN LOCKETT MADE A MOTION, seconded by Ald. Aschauer, to recommend the City Council pass a resolution supporting and authorizing an application for an Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) grant for the Cerny Park Improvement Project, Phase 1.

MOTION CARRIED VIA VOICE VOTE

2. Consideration of Route 59 Multi Use Path project next steps
Senior Civil Engineer (SCE) Hocking provided an update to the Route 59 Multi-Use Path project adding that when last discussed, the total project cost was estimated at \$1.4 million. Due to many factors including additional IDOT drainage and traffic design costs and general increases in construction costs, the total project costs are now estimated at \$3.4 million, resulting in a local City cost share of \$2.63 million. SCE

Hocking concluded that the project is not feasible nor fiscally responsible to continue as planned.

SCE Hocking indicated that preliminary engineering for the project is approximately 80% complete. The project design has been modified to allow for one 10-foot wide multi-use path on the west side of Route 59, and a five-foot sidewalk on the east side due to the narrowness of the right-of-way on the east side near Walgreens.

SCE Hocking requested recommendations for staff to: complete preliminary engineering for Phase I of the project; send a letter to IDOT asking to cost share the IDOT related increases in construction costs; and reapply for Surface Transportation Program (STP) funding in October 2023 and Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) funding in August 2024. She noted that if additional funding is received, local City costs could be reduced to either \$1.1 million or \$600,000 depending on the grant from which funding is received.

ALDERMAN LOCKETT MADE A MOTION, seconded by Ald. Kruckenberg, to recommend the City Council direct staff to proceed with the next steps detailed in the August 7, 2023, staff memorandum.

MOTION CARRIED VIA VOICE VOTE

3. Consideration of City Code modification to create a four-way stop at the Warren and Forestview Avenues Intersection

PWD Kuchler stated that, following residential concerns about pedestrian safety expressed to Aldermen Aschauer and Lockett, and a traffic study by the Police Department, both the Public Works and Police Departments support changing the Warren Avenue and Forestview Avenue South intersection from a two-way stop to a four-way stop. He noted that every street the sidewalk on the east side of Warren Avenue crosses is controlled by a stop sign, except for Forestview Avenue South, and that it is important that traffic stop and look for pedestrians at this intersection, which is heavily crossed by pedestrians.

Ald. Weidner expressed his agreement for the proposal and asked staff to look at other intersections throughout the City to see whether there are areas where traffic could be curtailed in a similar way. PWD Kuchler noted that staff does not expect this change to solve any speeding issues that may exist around this intersection, and that targeted enforcement by the Police Department will be necessary to solve any speeding problems.

Ald. Lockett asked if the stop sign would be equipped with blinking lights. PWD Kuchler replied that the sign will not be lighted, as it can be difficult to get electric to that area of the intersection.

ALDERMAN LOCKETT MADE A MOTION, seconded by Ald. Aschauer to recommend the City Council pass an ordinance amending Section 5-4-2 of the Warrenville City Code regarding stop intersections.

MOTION CARRIED VIA VOICE VOTE

4. Consideration of resolution for OTRS #2 Final Engineering and Construction Services
SCE Hocking stated that the City's consultants completed the preliminary engineering plan that identified proposed grading, areas of remediation, required permits, compensatory storage, and construction costs based upon the preferred conceptual site plan for the Old Town Redevelopment Site (OTRS) #2. She added, the next step is to prepare final engineering and construction documents that incorporate the remediation areas into the preferred plan, as well as to add sidewalks along street frontages, reconstruct the access driveway, add additional parking, and create a small open space amenity. This would allow the City to market the property to developers as well as use of the property for community events until the property is sold.

SCE Hocking presented a conceptual rendering that showed areas of the site that require improvement prior to any public or private use or development of the site. She stated the City's goal is to acquire a No Further Remediation Letter from the State for development to begin. She identified a variety of funding sources for this project, and recommended the City move forward with final engineering design and construction services.

Mayor Brummel expressed his appreciation for the conceptual design to allow for interim use of the property before final development.

ALDERMAN LOCKETT MADE A MOTION, seconded by Ald. Kruckenberg, to recommend the City Council pass a resolution approving a Professional Services Agreement with Engineering Resource Associates, Inc. for final engineering and construction services relating to the Old Town Redevelopment Site #2.

MOTION CARRIED VIA VOICE VOTE

5. Consideration to adopt DuPage County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan
SCE Hocking stated, in 2018, the City Council adopted the DuPage County Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan developed by the DuPage County Natural Hazard Mitigation Workgroup ("Workgroup"). The County is required to update the plan every 5 years, and each municipality is required to adopt it in order to apply for any federal hazard mitigation funding. Some of the features of the plan include community profiles, mitigation measures and projects, goals and action plans for each community. She added that the City will update the County on an annual basis regarding mitigation goals and plans through an appointed representative to the workgroup.

SCE Hocking discussed some of the City's mitigation goals identified in the plan including streambank stabilization, restoration, and other issues related to flooding.

Ald. Weidner asked about the availability of funding for streambank restoration. SCE Hocking replied that it would be beneficial for the City to develop a stormwater management plan and include these areas and needs before considering funding options.

ALDERMAN KRUCKENBERG MADE A MOTION, seconded by Ald. Lockett, to recommend the City Council pass a resolution approving the adoption of the 2023 DuPage County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan and appointing Senior Civil Engineer Hocking to the Workgroup.

MOTION CARRIED VIA VOICE VOTE

6. Consideration of third amendment to Communications Site Lease Agreement with T-Mobile

PWD Kuchler stated, due to the water tower on Country Ridge Drive being painted, T-Mobile relocated its equipment from the exterior of the tower and from inside the base of the tower to the City's abandoned Well No. 8 building onsite. He added that T-Mobile has requested to leave the equipment in that building permanently and to maintain the building. He noted that the City has no further use for the building, and it is a better location for this equipment than inside the water tower. PWD Kuchler indicated that staff is in favor of a third amendment to the lease agreement with T-Mobile that documents this change.

ALDERMAN LOCKETT MADE A MOTION, seconded by Ald. Kruckenberg, to recommend the City Council pass an ordinance approving a third amendment to the site lease agreement with T-Mobile Central LLC.

MOTION CARRIED VIA VOICE VOTE

7. Consideration of second amendment to Communications Site Lease Agreement with Verizon Wireless

PWD Kuchler stated that, due to the painting of the water tower on West Street last year, cellular carriers had to temporarily relocate their equipment from the tower to a temporary pole onsite. As they were preparing to move the equipment back to the water tower, they discovered a need to replace the existing railing on top of the tower. PWD Kuchler stated that a second amendment to the Communications Site Lease Agreement with Verizon Wireless documents the replacement of the railing and configuration to Verizon's equipment on the tower. A similar amendment to T-Mobile's lease agreement was approved by City Council in June.

PWD Kuchler noted that no other substantial changes to the water tower are needed, and the cellular carriers will pay for the railing replacement and any additional painting repairs associated with the replacement.

ALDERMAN KRUCKENBERG MADE A MOTION, seconded by Ald. Aschauer, to recommend the City Council pass an ordinance approving a second amendment to the

communications site lease agreement with Chicago SMSA Limited Partnership D/B/A Verizon Wireless.

MOTION CARRIED VIA VOICE VOTE

8. Review and file Public Works FY 2024 Work Program and Decision Package Report
The Public Works Department FY 2024 Work Plan Program and Decision Package status report was presented for consideration. There were no comments presented.

NO COMMITTEE ACTION WAS TAKEN NOR REQUESTED

G. MISCELLANEOUS

There were no miscellaneous items discussed.

H. ADJOURN

ALDERMAN LOCKETT MADE A MOTION, seconded by Ald. Wilkie to adjourn.

MOTION ADOPTED VIA VOICE VOTE

The meeting adjourned at 8:17p.m.

Approved: August 21, 2023


Dawn R. Grivetti, Executive Assistant/Deputy Clerk