

Missoula City Council Public Works Committee Minutes

**September 25, 2019, 10:40 am
City Council Chambers
140 W. Pine Street, Missoula , MT**

Members present: Stacie Anderson, John DiBari, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Jesse Ramos, Bryan von Lossberg, Heidi West

Members absent: Julie Armstrong, Mirtha Becerra

1. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1.1 Roll Call

1.2 Approval of the Minutes from September 18, 2019

The minutes were approved as submitted.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

3. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

3.1 Purchase Agreement with Advanced Utility Systems for Customer Information System (CIS) Licenses

Dennis Bowman, Interim Public Works Director, spoke on the purchase agreement for Customer Information System (CIS) licenses. Missoula Water has been using the CIS system from Advanced Utility Systems since the early 2000s. In order to combine billing, more licenses must be obtained. These licenses will include water, storm water, and wastewater and be financed by the three corresponding Enterprise Funds.

There will be instant savings as a result of combined billing. Currently, Missoula Water sends out monthly bills; wastewater and storm water bills are mailed bi-annually.

Customer service will also be significantly improved. It will be more convenient for customers to receive one bill, and instead of paying two large sewer bills, the cost will be spread throughout the year. Mr. Bowman spoke on the variety of ways bills can be received and paid by customers. The pertinent information is available on the City's website. Also, the quarterly Public Works newsletter is being sent out soon to customers.

Moved by: Bryan von Lossberg

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a purchase agreement with Advanced Utility Systems for four additional CIS licenses at a cost not to exceed \$41,250.00.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Jesse Ramos, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (3): Julie Armstrong, Mirtha Becerra, and John DiBari

Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)

3.2 Johnson Controls Service Agreement with Missoula Water

Dennis Bowman spoke on a service agreement between Missoula Water and Johnson Controls. Because they have provided routine maintenance in the Missoula Water building for many years, Johnson Controls is very knowledgeable with the current system. They have serviced the boiler and heating/cooling system, changed filters, and completed many other tasks.

Formerly, there were annual service contracts with corresponding increases. This five-year service agreement will lock in the price of work provided by Johnson Controls.

Moved by: Heather Harp

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a five-year service agreement with Johnson Controls for the Missoula Water building at a cost not to exceed \$47,656.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Jesse Ramos, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (3): Julie Armstrong, Mirtha Becerra, and John DiBari

Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)

3.3 Professional Services Agreement Amendment #1 with Territorial Landworks, Inc. for 3rd Street Water Main Replacement Project

Logan McInnis, Utilities Engineer, discussed the professional services agreement amendment with Territorial Landworks, Inc (TLI) for the 3rd Street Water Main Replacement project. Under the previous agreement, TLI's work was only for the design phase of the project. This included: preliminary project assessment; planning and design; fieldwork and surveying; and Department of Environmental Quality approvals and submittals.

This contract amendment will extend TLI's services throughout the remainder of the project. Services will include bidding; construction administration services; staking; testing; and project closeout.

The current 3rd Street water main dates back to at least 1914. Approximately 1,700 feet of 6-inch kalamine pipe will be replaced with 8-inch pipe. The Street Maintenance Division is also prioritizing this section of 3rd Street for repairs.

Costs associated with the 3rd Street main replacement project will be paid from the Water Fund.

Moved by: Heather Harp

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Professional Services Agreement Amendment with Territorial Landworks, Inc. for bidding and construction administration services on the 3rd Street Water Main Replacement Project for a cost not to exceed \$62,070.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Jesse Ramos, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (3): Julie Armstrong, Mirtha Becerra, and John DiBari

Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)

3.4 Agreement with MDT for 5th and 6th Street Urban Pavement Preservation Project

Brian Hensel, Street Maintenance Superintendent, spoke on the agreement with the Montana Department of Transportation for 5th and 6th Street Urban Pavement Preservation Project. It is not related to the current traffic reconfiguration that is happening on those streets. Both streets are Federal Urban Aid routes. This MDT pavement preservation mill and overlay project will happen in the 2020 construction season.

This is a requirement from MDT for HFWA to release the pavement preservation funds. The City will benefit from the project, which is valued at approximately \$1.3 million dollars. The City agreed to upgrade portions of both 5th and 6th Streets which did not meet MDT standard for pavement preservation funds. Those upgrades are nearly complete, and the City brought all ADA ramps along these routes up to current ADA standards.

Next year, MDT will mill and overlay the entire corridor on 5th and 6th Streets, from Russell Street to Higgins Avenue. The City agrees to maintain the new project in which MDT is investing.

Moved by: Jesse Ramos

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a construction agreement with the Montana Department of Transportation for the 5th and 6th Street Urban Pavement Preservation Project.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Jesse Ramos, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (3): Julie Armstrong, Mirtha Becerra, and John DiBari

Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)

3.5 Professional Services Agreement with Territorial Landworks, Inc. for the East Pine Street Water Main Replacement Project

Logan McInnis, Utility Engineer, discussed the professional service agreement with Territorial Landworks, Inc. for the East Pine water main replacement project. The work will be on Pine Street from Madison to Adams. The existing 12-inch main is estimated to have been installed in 1914; it will be upsized to 24-inch main.

On Jefferson from Pine to Spruce, the old 12-inch main will be replaced with new 12-inch main. On Spruce, there will be a block of service swaps. The new 6-inch service line will

tie into the new, larger main. It will take approximately two weeks for the project to be completed.

Moved by: Heather Harp

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a professional services agreement with Territorial Landworks, Inc. for engineering-related services on the East Pine St Water Main Replacement Project at a total cost not to exceed \$67,518.00.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Jesse Ramos, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (3): Julie Armstrong, Mirtha Becerra, and John DiBari

Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)

3.6 Professional Services Agreement with Territorial Landworks, Inc. for the Worden Ave Water Main Replacement Project

Logan McInnis, Utility Engineer, spoke on the professional service agreement with Territorial Landworks, Inc. for the Worden Avenue water main replacement project. Approximately 2100 feet of 4- and 6-inch kalamein pipe, installed in the early 1900s, will be replaced during construction. There have been a large number of leaks along Worden and Howell Street.

Costs associated with this project will be paid from the Water Fund.

Moved by: Heather Harp

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a professional services agreement with Territorial Landworks, Inc. for engineering-related services on the Worden Ave Water Main Replacement Project at a total cost not to exceed \$85,068.00.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Jesse Ramos, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (3): Julie Armstrong, Mirtha Becerra, and John DiBari

Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)

3.7 Reserve Street Lift Station Pump

Logan McInnis, Utility Engineer, spoke on the Reserve Street lift station project. The Reserve Street lift station is one of the biggest in Missoula and those pumps are in definite need of repair. This project is being designed to completely replace the lift station. The pumps need to be purchased directly to allow for lead time. The project's bid for construction is currently out; however, it is not advisable to wait for the contracts to be in place. By purchasing the pumps ahead of time, the standard 15 to 20 percent contractor markup is avoided.

This project is a deviation from the standard lift station design. The Flygt pumps are impressive at moving solids and the efficiencies are significantly improved. Pat Brook, Wastewater Collection Superintendent, referenced the rehab of the Expressway lift

station. The pumps and control panel were purchased ahead of time, which significantly reduced the length of that project.

The City will receive the same warranty on the Reserve Street lift station pumps as if purchased by a contractor. Equipment for the project will be paid through the Wastewater Enterprise Fund.

Moved by: Julie Merritt

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract with Xylem for \$114,934.40 to purchase the Flygt pump and control panel for the Reserve Street Lift Station Rehabilitation Project.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Jesse Ramos, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (3): Julie Armstrong, Mirtha Becerra, and John DiBari

Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)

3.8 Professional services agreement for Lower Miller Creek Road Reconstruction project

Kevin Slovarp, City Engineer, spoke on the professional services agreement with WGM Group for Lower Miller Creek Road reconstruction. This project is intended to improve safety, capability, and mobility for all modes of transportation. This will be achieved by reconstructing the road between Linda Vista Boulevard and Big Fork Lane.

The public and area residents need to be consulted to determine their wishes for reconstruction. That information will need to be processed, and a construction funding package will also be necessary.

The design work will include curb/gutter, sidewalk, bike lanes, and lighting at three locations. The sidewalk will tie into the existing one; also, there will be a roundabout in this project. There will be a connection all the way to Jeannette Rankin School. Safety and mobility are primary concerns for the elementary school students that walk and ride their bikes.

To create an opportunity for public engagement, WGM will host several design meetings to gather people's thoughts, see which improvements are desired, and determine what will fit in the corridor. City engineering will be reaching out to individual property owners, as well, to gather information, take it to the public, and ask for feedback. Final project design touches will be made after that.

Professional services for this Lower Miller Creek Road reconstruction project will be funded from Transportation Impact Fees.

Moved by: Heather Harp

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the WGM Group professional services agreement for the Lower Miller Creek Road Reconstruction project in the amount not to exceed \$126,912.00

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, John DiBari, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Jesse Ramos, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSTAIN: (1): Julie Merritt

ABSENT: (2): Julie Armstrong, and Mirtha Becerra

Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)

3.9 St. Patrick's Hospital W. Pine Street Right-of-Way Vacation Between May and McCormick Streets

Mary McCrea, Development Services, spoke on St. Patrick Hospital's West Pine Street right-of-way vacation. Additionally, she discussed the proposed building and parking. The southerly thirty-three feet of West Pine Street between May Street and McCormick Street are proposed to be vacated.

In order to leave the Century Link cables intact, the revised project plans reduced the size of vacation from 40 feet to 33 feet.

NorthWestern Energy requested a 10-foot wide utility easement for their natural gas main pipeline. They requested that the easement be reflected/recorded in the amended plat, in order to protect their access rights. The easement can be extinguished upon relocation of the pipeline.

Missoula Water indicated that the City will be replacing the existing water main with 12-inch main on West Pine Street from McCormick Street to the railroad tracks. New water main construction is scheduled for Spring 2020.

Staff recommended four conditions of approval for this project. Those details are available to the public online in the referral document.

Jeff Smith, a representative from WGM Group offered a presentation regarding the proposed Saint Patrick Building at 600 West Broadway. The applicant states that the parking structure will provide approximately 500 new off-street parking spaces for hospital patients, visitors and employees. This will reduce the hospital's parking demand on the existing on-street parking in the neighborhood. The building geometry necessary to create this parking structure requires that the building extend north into the existing West Pine Street right-of-way.

There will be a pedestrian crossing between two buildings. The plaza area will create a healing environment for staff and visitors. Existing lighting will be relocated, all four corners of the property will be improved, and there will be a landscaped boulevard.

In order to improve traffic flow around the area, thirty diagonal on-street parking spots will be lost. The plan is to install a traffic circle at Pine and McCormick to calm traffic.

Board members discussed multi-modal transportation needs, the new building's proximity to downtown, and the 'all day, every day' nature of work at the hospital. There will be bus stops on both sides of the building and a large number of bike parking spots for employees.

The Design Excellence review is ongoing, with PRT meetings and DRT meetings already taken place. If the project design to be submitted in mid-October does not meet Design Excellence criteria, an application for variance will be necessary.

Once the resolution of intention is adopted, an October 28, 2019 public hearing will be scheduled and advertised. Building permits for this project will be obtained in November 2019. This will be an extensive project with a projected end date in 2023.

Moved by: Heather Harp

Adopt a resolution of intention to vacate the southerly thirty-three (33) feet of the W. Pine Street right-of-way between May and McCormick Street adjacent to property legally described as Lots 11 – 20, Block 41 and Lots 1 – 10, Block 50 of W.J. McCormick's Addition in Section 21, Township 13 N, Range 19 W, P.M.M., as shown in Exhibit A, and subject to the conditions of approval and set a public hearing for October 28, 2019.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, John DiBari, Heather Harp, Jordan Hess, Gwen Jones, Jesse Ramos, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSTAIN: (1): Julie Merritt

ABSENT: (2): Julie Armstrong, and Mirtha Becerra

Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)

4. ADJOURNMENT