

## **Missoula City Council Public Works Committee Minutes**

**July 14, 2021, 10:30 am  
ZOOM Webinar**

**Members present:** Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra (chair), Heather Harp, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Amber Sherrill, Bryan von Lossberg, Heidi West

**Members absent:** John P. Contos, Jordan Hess, Jesse Ramos, Sandra Vasecka

### **1. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

#### **1.1 Roll Call**

#### **1.2 Approval of the Minutes**

##### **1.2.1 PW Committee Minutes 6/30/2021**

### **2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **3. COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

#### **3.1 Appointment to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board**

Mirtha Becerra presenting,

Ms. Becerra introduced the appointment for Cory Simenson to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board. Ms. Sherrill made the motion and thanked him for participating on the Board. Ms. Becerra also thanked Mr. Simenson for serving on this Board.

**Moved by:** Amber Sherrill

Confirm the Mayor's appointment of Cory Simenson to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board for a term beginning immediately and expiring on September 30, 2024.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra, Heather Harp, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Amber Sherrill, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (4): John Contos, Jordan Hess, Jesse Ramos, and Sandra Vasecka

**Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)**

#### **3.2 Reappointments to the Building Code Board of Appeals**

Mirtha Becerra presenting,

Ms. Becerra introduced the reappointment of Anthony Moretti and David Gray to the Building Code Board of Appeals. Ms. Jones commented that she is acquainted with both members and said they are very service and community-oriented and thanked them for volunteering. Ms. Becerra also thanked them for bringing their expertise to this board.

**Moved by:** Gwen Jones

Confirm the Mayor's reappointment of Anthony Moretti, as Architect, and David Gray, as Architect/At-Large, to the Building Code Board of Appeals for terms beginning July 1, 2021 and expiring on June 30, 2024

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra, Heather Harp, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Amber Sherrill, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (4): John Contos, Jordan Hess, Jesse Ramos, and Sandra Vasecka

**Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)**

### **3.3 Mullan BUILD Right-of-Way Agreements Part Two**

Jeremy Keene Director of Public Works presenting,

Mr. Keene explained the two right-of-way agreements are needed to formalize the Mullan BUILD Project. The first of the two agreements is for Shannon Luikart. Mary Jane Blvd will go through her property when extended to W. Broadway. The property is undeveloped now but could be in the future. The city will build the street and at a later date come back and do the sidewalks when the development starts.

The second agreement is with Tollefson Enterprises and is located past the McNett Subdivision. The new George Elmer drive will split the property owned by Tollefson Enterprises. In this agreement, the city will build the road and secondary improvements such as the sidewalks will come when the property is developed. Subdivision conditions for this property are also included in this agreement.

Ms. Becerra commented that this is an essential step to make sure the Mullan Build Project can take place.

**Moved by:** Heather Harp

**Motion No. 1:** Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Right-of-Way Agreement with Shannon R. Luikart for the City to construct public infrastructure for the Mullan BUILD Project. **Motion No. 2:** Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Right-of-Way Agreement with Tollefson Enterprises, LLC for the City to construct public infrastructure for the Mullan BUILD Project.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra, Heather Harp, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Amber Sherrill, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (4): John Contos, Jordan Hess, Jesse Ramos, and Sandra Vasecka

**Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)**

### **3.4 Construction Services Agreement with Western Excavating, Knife River, and Paulson Electric for Emergency Repair Services**

Ross Mollenhauer Engineering Manager presenting,

These agreements are signed each year since 2018 with the same companies and are set in place for emergency services. Western Excavating and Knife River are contractors for water leaks and are staffed and able to respond during the night. They are both

familiar with the water systems and work well with the City crews. Paulson Electric would be contracted to work on water pumps, booster stations, and well houses with which they are familiar. Having these emergency contracts in place allows the city to respond quicker to emergencies within the utilities.

**Moved by:** Julie Merritt

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign Construction Services Agreements with Western Excavating, Knife River, and Paulson Electric for emergency repair services for the City of Missoula Utilities in FY22 for a cost not to exceed \$24,999.00.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra, Heather Harp, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Amber Sherrill, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (4): John Contos, Jordan Hess, Jesse Ramos, and Sandra Vasecka

**Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)**

### **3.5 Bid Award for Mount Avenue & South 14th St Water Main**

Ross Mollenhauer Engineering Manager presenting,

Mr. Mollenhauer explained that the first part of this project is on Mount Ave from Bow Street through the Brooks Street intersection, the water main in this area is very old and needs to be replaced. This project was pushed up in time because the City of Missoula Street division is looking to repave this section of the street due to several complaints. The street crews will come in after the contractor replaces the water main.

The second portion of this project is on 14th street where 14th crosses the railroad tracks. The city had a leak here and they closed the valve but this caused them to lose the transmission in this area. Replacing this main would improve water pressure in this area. Prospect Construction was the only bidder on this project. The funding for this project will be coming from the water enterprise fund.

Ms. Merritt and Ms. Harp are both pleased to see the city departments working together on these projects.

**Moved by:** Julie Merritt

award the bid for construction services on the Mount Avenue & South 14<sup>th</sup> Street West Water Main Replacement Project to Prospect Construction, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$738,966.00 and authorizes the return of bid bonds.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra, Heather Harp, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Amber Sherrill, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (4): John Contos, Jordan Hess, Jesse Ramos, and Sandra Vasecka

**Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)**

### **3.6 Professional Services Agreement with IMEG for Eaton Street Infrastructure Project**

Mark Todorovich Construction Project Coordinator presenting,

This is an agreement for consulting services on Eaton Street from S. 7th Street to 14th Street. Eaton Street is classified as a collector with several bus stops. This street has a high traffic volume and significant crash history. The project will include installing curb and sidewalks, bulb-outs, improved bus stops, and culvert extensions. The construction would take place in the spring of the fiscal year 2022. The funding is from the Transportation Impact Fees.

Ms. Merritt said that Eaton Street is designated as a safe route to school but it does not currently have any sidewalks. She is excited for this project to take place and feels the neighborhood really needs it.

**Moved by:** Julie Merritt

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Professional Services Agreement with IMEG for consulting services on Eaton Street Infrastructure Project from 7<sup>th</sup> Street to South Ave at the cost not to exceed \$92,965.00.

AYES: (8): Stacie Anderson, Mirtha Becerra, Heather Harp, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Amber Sherrill, Bryan von Lossberg, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (4): John Contos, Jordan Hess, Jesse Ramos, and Sandra Vasecka

**Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)**

#### **4. ADJOURNMENT**

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