

Missoula City Council Public Works Committee Minutes

November 30, 2022, 2:30 pm

Council Chambers (in person) or TEAMS (virtually)

Attend in person: City Council Chambers, 140 W Pine, Missoula MT

Members present: Mirtha Becerra (chair), Daniel Carlino, John P. Contos, Sierra Farmer, Gwen Jones, Mike Nugent, Jennifer Savage, Amber Sherrill, Sandra Vasecka, Heidi West

Members absent: Stacie Anderson, Kristen Jordan

1. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1.1 Roll Call

1.2 Approval of the Minutes

The minutes were approved as submitted.

1.2.1 PWM Minutes from November 16, 2022

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

3.1 Bioreactor Air Actuator Replacement

Gene Connell presenting,

The Resource Recovery Facility is looking to purchase four bioreactor air actuators. A bioreactor air actuator is an electric actuator that opens and closes valves to control air going into the process. The current actuators have been in service since 2004 and are at the end of their service life.

Moved by: Sandra Vasecka

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Purchase Agreement with Western States Automation for the Bioreactor Air Actuator Replacement, not to exceed \$26,856.00.

AYES: (8): Mirtha Becerra, Daniel Carlino, John Contos, Sierra Farmer, Gwen Jones, Mike Nugent, Jennifer Savage, and Sandra Vasecka

ABSENT: (4): Stacie Anderson, Kristen Jordan, Amber Sherrill, and Heidi West

Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)

3.2 Utility Truck Crane Upgrade

Pat Brook presenting,

The Resource Recovery Facility is asking for a replacement for a crane. The current crane is too small and unsafe due to some larger lift stations being installed. The current crane would be sold to the water department.

Moved by: Mike Nugent

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Purchase Agreement with NorMont Equipment for the purchase of a utility truck crane, not to exceed \$25,290.00.

AYES: (8): Mirtha Becerra, Daniel Carlino, John Contos, Sierra Farmer, Gwen Jones, Mike Nugent, Jennifer Savage, and Sandra Vasecka

ABSENT: (4): Stacie Anderson, Kristen Jordan, Amber Sherrill, and Heidi West

Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)

3.3 Professional Services Amendment No. 3 with HDR Engineering for the Upper Prospect Tank Project

Andy Schultz,

This contract amendment is with HDR on the Upper Prospect Tank Project. This project is located in the Prospect neighborhood in Grant Creek. The tank is close to completion, and the amendment is for material testing, such as concrete testing.

Moved by: Sierra Farmer

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a Professional Services Agreement Amendment No. 3 with HDR Engineering for the Upper Prospect Tank Project at a cost not to exceed \$12,600.00.

AYES: (8): Mirtha Becerra, Daniel Carlino, John Contos, Sierra Farmer, Gwen Jones, Mike Nugent, Jennifer Savage, and Sandra Vasecka

ABSENT: (4): Stacie Anderson, Kristen Jordan, Amber Sherrill, and Heidi West

Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)

3.4 Construction Agreement with Treasure State Tree Service for Levee Vegetation Maintenance

Tracy Campbell presenting,

The stormwater utility is responsible for managing all infrastructure related to flooding. This includes dry wells, inlets, pipes, and outfalls, levees, and high-hazard dams. The City of Missoula manages four Accredited Levees. The Clark Fork Area III, Clark Fork Area V, Grant Creek, and Pattee Creek. Accredited Levees mean that The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has determined that it meets the requirements of National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) regulations. Any properties in the floodplain behind an accredited levee receive reduced flood insurance rates.

For the levees to maintain the accreditation, The City of Missoula is required to remove vegetation that is not in line with the Army Corps vegetation recommendations. The long-

term goal is to remove all non-native vegetation and cottonwoods and transition levee slopes to native shrub cover. Cottonwoods are taken out because they can fall and create a lot of instability in banks. That is fine in a natural environment, but in a levee, it could flood the property behind it.

Moved by: Gwen Jones

Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a construction agreement with Treasure State Tree Service, Inc for a cost not to exceed \$45,360.00

AYES: (8): Mirtha Becerra, Daniel Carlino, John Contos, Sierra Farmer, Gwen Jones, Mike Nugent, Jennifer Savage, and Sandra Vasecka

ABSENT: (4): Stacie Anderson, Kristen Jordan, Amber Sherrill, and Heidi West

Vote results: Approved (8 to 0)

3.5 An Ordinance to Amend Title 12 entitled “Streets, Sidewalks and Public Places”

Ross Mollenhauer presenting,

The Public Works and Mobility Department has some changes to Title 12 they would like the council to consider. Title 12 is the code section regarding streets, sidewalks, and public places. The changes today are mostly housekeeping changes to improve clarity. The first change is to change the decision-making authority to the Public Works and Mobility Director from the Community Planning and Development Director. This change is due to the reorganization of departments. Section 12.24.150 changed the language to protect City infrastructure from Non-Municipal infrastructure within the right-of-way. In section 12.24.140, asphalt penalties are already in place, but they will now be assessed at the time of permitting rather than after the project is complete. Right-of-way (ROW) improvements section 12.10.110 establishes criteria for ROW improvements such as lack of public benefit, design timelines, adverse conditions, or an upcoming CIP project. Section 12.10.180 and 12.17.080 Driveways/Approaches increased the max slope to fifteen percent for driveways. Section 12.17.090 changed the ADA requirements from five to four parking spaces, similar to State Building Code accessibility standards. Section 12.24.045, 12.24.070, 12.24.080, and 12.24.090 was moved to Public Works and Mobility Manual. Title 12 will be for the "Why" rules, and the Public Works and Mobility Manual will be for the "How."

Moved by: Sandra Vasecka

Set a Public Hearing on December 19, 2022 and approve/deny an Ordinance amending Missoula Municipal Code Title 12, entitled “Streets, Sidewalks, and Public Places,” by amending and establishing definitions in Chapter 12.02 entitled “Definitions,” amending language and department references in Chapter 12.10, entitled “Right-of-Way Improvements,” amending department references in Chapter 12.14, entitled “Right-of-Way Occupancy Permit,” amending department references in Chapter 12.16, entitled “Sidewalk Maintenance,” amending language in Chapter 12.17, entitled “Parking Facilities,” amending department references in Chapter 12.18, entitled “Sidewalk Cafés,” repealing 12.24.045 A-B and moving C to 12.24.020 J, repealing 12.24.050, repealing 12.24.070, repealing 12.24.080, repealing 12.24.090 A-D and moving E-F to 12.24.020 K-L, repealing 12.24.160, and amending language and department references in Chapter

12.24, entitled "Excavations," amending department references in Chapter 12.28, entitled "Obstructions," amending department references in Chapter 12.31, entitled "Fences."

AYES: (10): Mirtha Becerra, Daniel Carlino, John Contos, Sierra Farmer, Gwen Jones, Mike Nugent, Jennifer Savage, Amber Sherrill, Sandra Vasecka, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (2): Stacie Anderson, and Kristen Jordan

Vote results: Approved (10 to 0)

4. ADJOURNMENT