

Minutes of the Public Works Committee Meeting

Meeting of: June 1, 2016

The Leawood Public Works Committee met on Wednesday, June 1, 2016. The meeting was held in the Main Conference Room at Leawood City Hall, 4800 Town Center Drive, Leawood, Kansas.

Members in Attendance:

Andrew Osman, Committee Chair and Councilmember Ward 1
Julie Cain, Councilmember Ward 4
Jim Rawlings, Councilmember Ward 2
Abbas Haideri
Marsha Monica
Chris White
Todd Harris

Committee Members absent:

Chuck Sipple
Ken Conrad
Adam Abrams

Guest/Resident:

Anne Waldron

Staff in Attendance:

Joe Johnson, Director, Public Works Department
David Ley, City Engineer, Public Works Department
Julie Stasi, Administrative Services Manager, Public Works Department
Shelly Rexrode, Public Works Department

Chair Osman called the meeting to order at 7:34 AM.
Committee Members and staff present introduced themselves.

- **Old Business-Past Minutes.**
Marsha Monica motioned to approve the minutes of the last meeting held March 2, 2016. Chris White seconded the motion to approve. All members were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.
- **New Business-** Review Request for Sidewalk
Berkshire Neighborhood 124th & Mission

Guest Anne Waldron spoke to the committee regarding the issue she had raised via email of there being no sidewalk from 124th and Mission Road to 123rd to connect to the bike trail, schools, etc.

Joe Johnson presented two recommendations/phases.

North Phase- 119th to 123rd Street

The north phase has several homes that front Mission Road and more landscaping in conflict with the sidewalk. The major challenge is going to be in the area of 119th with the last 2 homes and tying the sidewalk at 119th Street. Retaining walls are needed and the traffic signal controller will have to be moved to tie into the

sidewalk on 119th Street. The cost to add sidewalks for this phase is \$320,000.00. The best time to add sidewalks would be when Mission Road is being worked on.

South Phase- 123rd to 124th Street

The south phase has fewer challenges than the north one. The south phase has 2 homes that front Mission Road and the rest backup to Mission Road. The cost to add sidewalks in this location is \$64,000.00.

One of the concerns of Committee Members was that these proposed solutions would not be put in place until 2018 when other improvements are scheduled to be made to Mission Road and asked about any type of temporary solution such as a midblock crossing or signal.

Joe Johnson advised that a temporary sidewalk would not be cost effective in that by the time the sidewalk was designed and put in place, costing thirty to forty thousand dollars, it would be 2017 and eight months later it would need to be removed for the Mission Road Project. As for a midblock crossing or light, there is not enough pedestrian traffic and the crossings themselves can be sixty to seventy thousand dollars.

Committee also discussed cost of each phase proposed, Joe Johnson advised that Mission is on the arterial program and there will be CARS funding available for this project reducing the costs substantially so adding sidewalks could be more easily accommodated when other major improvements are being made.

After discussion and review of maps of the area committee agreed that the two phases should be voted on individually and not combined, therefore, two motions were made.

Committee Member Marsha Monica: made a Motion to recommend to the governing body to approve the installation of sidewalks between 123rd and 124th on Mission Road and add this to the Mission Road project.

Committee Member Chris White seconded the motion. All members were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee Member Abbas Haideri: made a Motion to recommend to the governing body to approve the installation of sidewalks between 119th and 123rd on Mission Road and add this to Mission Road project.

Committee Member Marsha Monica seconded the motion. All members were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 AM.

Upcoming Meetings

The next scheduled meeting for the Public Works Committee is Wednesday, July 6, 2016 at 7:30 AM. The Committee agreed that that meeting should be cancelled as too few members would be available to meet. The Committee only meets if there is an assignment. Staff will be in contact with the group to confirm if there is an assignment for August.

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