



Transportation & Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2024
5:30 – 6:30 PM
** Hybrid Meeting **

Commenced: 5:31 PM
Adjourned: 6:35 PM

<u>Members:</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Excused</u>	<u>Unexcused</u>
CM Simpson, Chair	X		
CM Lovell	X		
CM Vinson	X		

Other Councilmembers participating: Peter Kwon

Staff Coordinators: Will Appleton, Public Works Director and Florendo Cabudol, City Engineer

Other Staff Present: Gwen Voelpel, Deputy City Manager; Mason Giem, PW Programs Coordinator;

1. Call to Order	Chair Simpson called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM.
2. Public Comment	<u>No</u> public comments were submitted.
3. Review of past Minutes	March 28 T&PW Minutes were approved
4. Solid Waste Contract Renewal	<p>Discussion/Action</p> <p>Will Appleton, Public Works Director, and Mason Giem, Public Works Programs Coordinator, presented the Solid Waste Contract Renewal.</p> <p>Also present was Hans Van Dusen, consultant to the City in facilitating the new contract.</p>

	<p>The current solid waste contract expires May 31, 2025. A new contract is needed to start on June 1, 2025, and extend through May 31, 2035.</p> <p>The City sent out Requests for Proposals; four providers expressed initial interest, but only one provider, Recology King County, submitted a proposal. A thorough review and scoring of the Recology proposal found that it was complete and fully satisfied the requirements of the Request for Proposal. After contract negotiations, a contract with a number of notable service enhancements over the current contract was agreed upon.</p> <p>Staff are requesting that the new contract be forwarded to an upcoming Council meeting with Presentation, with a recommendation to approve.</p> <p>Questions raised by Committee included bulky item disposal. The consultant explained that customers can arrange a specific day with Recology to leave bulky items at the curb once per year. The Committee encouraged staff to continue to inform the community of this benefit, along with information about the recycle events held each year.</p> <p>There will be an overall rate increase of 18 percent over ten years, along with adjustments for the King County regional facility fixed charge increase. This is competitive with other cities' solid waste charges.</p> <p>The Committee approved moving the item to full council for Council consideration and action.</p>
<p>5. On-Call Contract for Real Property and Right of Way Management Services</p>	<p>Discussion/Action</p> <p>Florendo Cabudol, City Engineer, presented the topic of requesting approval of an On-Call contract for a Not-to-Exceed amount of \$140,000, for a Real Property and Right of Way Management Services (RPROWS) consultant, to continue work on the Airport Station Area Pedestrian Improvements capital project (Project) and other RPROWS related services. The Project is currently in design and on a tight schedule for Right-of-Way acquisition and the incumbent Real Property Analyst, currently providing these services, is separating from the City on May 3rd.</p> <p>The Committee understood the justification and need for continuing the working relationship with the incumbent Real Property Analyst for the successful delivery of the</p>

	<p>Project. The Committee also acknowledged the Union's approval to proceed with contracting out for RPROWS services. The Committee supported moving the item forward to Council for consideration and action; however, they expressed concern on the appearance of this being a sole source the contract. The Committee asked for staff to include a clearer explanation of how the City can sole source this contract in compliance with City Code and Policy as part of Agenda Bill 6418 for Council's consideration.</p>
<p>6. Ongoing CFRs or Referrals CRF 2023-17 regarding Street Banners</p>	<p>Wil Appleton, Public Works Director, introduced the discussion responding to a Council Request item regarding street banners attached to street light standards or utility poles that honor or celebrate our community's young people graduating from local schools, and other similar accomplishments.</p> <p>The City currently does not own most of the utility poles in the city, and there would be constraints around proposed attachments or use of the poles. In addition, risk and/or liability was identified regarding posting young people's photos and identities.</p> <p>Staff requested committee input into whether they should do more research into other communities' policies on this topic, as well as the possibility of the City offering grants to the school districts to create this type of program.</p> <p>The Committee supported staff research on this topic and bring back to committee a recommendation to be put into place next year.</p>
<p>7. Department Update:</p>	<p>Will Appleton, Public Works Director, presented the department update.</p> <p>34th Ave South, Phase 1, will be complete by May 1. Watch for a Ribbon Cutting date.</p> <p>The 2024 Overlays project will go out for bid in May, with construction starting in July.</p> <p>SR 509 Stage 2 Construction will start this summer. A council presentation is scheduled for the May 28th Regular Council Meeting.</p> <p>Sound Transit will start construction on a second pedestrian elevator at the Airport Station this year. The Committee asked about maintenance of the elevator, as we have experienced a number of long delays in the past when the current elevator was out of service. We would</p>

	<p>want to avoid having long waits for maintenance or two elevators out of service.</p> <p>The Committee asked about a ribbon cutting for the River Ridge Sidewalk project. Staff will follow up with Kent School District regarding the possibility of a ribbon cutting.</p> <p>Committee asked about the progress on streetlight acquisition in the city. Staff responded that we have informed both Puget Sound Energy and Seattle City Light of our desire to assume the lights. Talks are ongoing. Will Appleton thanked the Committee and Council for their continued cooperation to redirect any inquiries to Public Works.</p>
8. Adjourn	Chair Simpson adjourned the meeting at 6:35 PM.