

## Transportation & Public Works Committee Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2024 5:30 – 6:30 PM \*\* Hybrid Meeting \*\*

Commenced: 5:30 PM Adjourned: 6:21 PM

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

Other Councilmembers participating: CM Kwon;

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

Other Staff Present: Gwen Voelpel, Deputy City Manager; Brenton Cook, Engineering Manager; Bryan Chappell, Maintenance Manager

1. Call to Order	Chair Simpson called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.
2. Public Comment	There were no public comments.
3. Review of Previous Minutes	May 23, 2024 T&PW Minutes were approved
4. Award Construction Contract for 2024 Overlays AB 6408	Brenton Cook, Engineering Manager, presented this item awarding the construction contract for the 2024 Overlays to Tucci and Sons, as well as approving a contract amendment to Atwell, the engineer of record.
	Staff is asking the Committee to forward this item to Council for presentation and action, with a recommendation to approve.

The project was advertised for bid on May 9, with the bid opening on May 30. We received four bids, with Tucci as the apparent low bidder. Their bid amount of \$911,500 was approximately 20% below our engineer's estimate. Staff was expecting that bids might be lower than our estimate, due to WSDOT canceling some projects this year.

The work will be done in 2 locations:

- Des Moines Memorial Drive South between S 188<sup>th</sup> Street and S 194<sup>th</sup> Street, and
- 2. An asphalt depression area on South 200<sup>th</sup> Street located just east of 18<sup>th</sup> Ave South.

Work will repair or replace ramps and pedestrian buttons to bring into ADA compliance.

The Committee raised a question about what other criteria the City uses beyond the low bidder. Staff responded that we use supplemental bidder criteria to determine if the low bidder is responsive and responsible.

Committee asked if the City would look into further requirements for minority and woman-owned businesses on City projects with local funding, similar to what requirements exist on federally funded projects.

A question was raised as to how the annual overlay locations were selected. Staff responded that we do a comprehensive pavement rating and analysis, and annual selections are chosen from this analysis.

A comment was made that often construction projects in South King County leave road and construction debris on the roadway, but that eastside or north Seattle locations keep their construction zones cleaner. A request was made to require a cleaner zone from our contractors.

The Committee approved moving this item to full council for presentation and action, with recommendation to approve.

5.Ordinance Approving franchise agreement with Verizon Wireless small cell AB 6388

Florendo Cabudol, City Engineer, presented the renewal of a franchise agreement with Verizon Wireless for small cellular/wireless services.

A new draft franchise agreement was presented that would be in effect for 5 years, with an option to extend for 1 year.

	This franchise agreement is for small cellular/wireless facilities installed on existing and new light or power poles within the City.  Federal law prevents a franchise fee from being assessed to telecommunication providers. However, permitting and inspection fees may and will be assessed for any work in City right-of-way (ROW) by the provider.  The agreement includes revised insurance requirements, and provisions to make the franchisee responsible in case of non-performance of their subcontractors or vendors.  CM Kwon stated that while we cannot charge fees, we were able to institute design standards to keep things looking neat, and obligated the franchisee to conform to city lighting standards, type of pole, and type of concealment of wiring.
	Committee requested staff to look into electromagnetic concerns and what is deemed a safe level for the public.  The Committee approved moving this franchise renewal agreement and the next one for Cingular ATT to full council for Public Hearing and presentation/action, with a recommendation for approval.
6.Ordinance Approving franchise agreement with Cingular ATT small cell.	The discussion and questions noted for the Verizon franchise agreement item applied to the AT&T franchise agreement. The Committee approved moving this franchise renewal agreement and the next one for Cingular ATT to full council for Public Hearing and presentation/action, with a recommendation for approval.
7. CRF Referrals	Public Works Director Will Appleton stated that staff is currently investigating safety concerns during drop off and pick up at River Ridge Elementary School.
	A new concern was raised that two traffic lights at the intersection of South 216 <sup>th</sup> Street and Military Road South were reported green at the same time this afternoon prior to this meeting. Staff will look into this immediately.
8. Department Update:	Public Works Director Will Appleton presented the department update.
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South 216<sup>th</sup> Street at Military Road South has now resumed two-way traffic. It will be approximately late July before the roadway is fully opened with three lanes.

The City has recently hired a new Associate Engineer, Ghaem Hoosyari, who is finishing his PhD in civil engineering. We are now fully staffed in Engineering.

Staff is reviewing applications for three open Public Works Maintenance positions.

The Maintenance division has begun ramp cleanup – every other Tuesday we choose a location in coordination with WSDOT to remove litter and clean up.

Florendo Cabudol, City Engineer, presented the status of our capital projects:

34<sup>th</sup> Ave S, Phase 1, S 166<sup>th</sup> to S 160<sup>th</sup>, is close to full completion. A ribbon cutting is being planned for September.

A ribbon cutting is planned for July 22 on the River Ridge Elementary Sidewalk project.

We are at final design on Airport Station Pedestrian Improvements project. We will be receiving another \$500,000 grant, bringing total grant funding to approximately \$14 Million.

The City is short listed for two more grant awards: 34<sup>th</sup> Ave S, Phase 2 – earmarked \$2.9 Million for the ROW phase from the PSRC Countywide Grant program. South 204<sup>th</sup> Street Improvements – earmarked \$2 Million for the construction phase from the PSRC Countywide Grant program.

Both projects are near the public outreach phase of design.

The Committee raised a concern of parking enforcement for the new residents of a Kent apartment complex, Alexan Gateway.

9. Adjourn

Chair Simpson adjourned the meeting at 6:21 PM.