

SAFETY & PUBLIC PROPERTIES COMMITTEE
July 8, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.

The Safety & Public Properties Committee was live via Zoom on the above date and time due to the COVID-19 health crisis.

Present: Chairman Russo, Councilman Pelunis and Councilman Zelwin.

Also Present: Mayor Kraus, GPD Group Traffic Engineer Hobbs, City Engineer Bush, Public Works Commissioner Drsek, Planning Director Frankland, Police Chief Tonelli, Fire Chief Vedder, Mr. Darrell Young and Mr. Arthur Lawrence, Jr. from Darrell A. YoungEnterprises and Secretary Bond.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Councilman Zelwin, seconded by Councilman Pelunis to approve the minutes of the Safety & Public Properties Meeting on June 10, 2020 as submitted.

Roll Call: Aye: Pelunis, Russo, Zelwin
 Nay: None

Motion Carried

Reports:

1. Jail Report – Month of May 2020

Chief Tonelli commented that the number of bookings went up 62% between April and May and this is an indication that we are getting back to a level of normalcy.

Referrals:

2. Planning Commission – 6130 Kruse Drive – L & Y Properties-Solon, LLC

Mr. Frankland explained the referral from the Planning Commission to the Safety & Public Properties Committee is for review and recommendation of a proposed drive-thru lane to the west side of the Panera Bread in the Kruse Commons Plaza located at 6130 Kruse Drive as well as a reconfiguration of the parking area and a remodel of the existing store.

Mr. Darrell Young recapped for the committee the request for a drive-thru window for Panera Bread at Kruse Commons was submitted on June 8, 2020. On June 26, 2020, revised drawings were submitted per the request of the Engineering Department which included improved graphics, pavement markings, signage and clarity as to the location of Panera's ordering signage. Mr. Young stated Panera Bread is committed to extending their lease and remaining in Solon for a significant period of time. He said their commitment includes the remodel of the existing Panera, a small addition, changes to be made to the west elevation of the building, a configuration of the existing patio, site directional signage and reconfiguration of the parking lot. Mr. Young said of the 325 Panera's in the area that 110 of them have drive-up window service available with no traffic issues. Chief Tonelli said from a safety perspective, his concern is the cuing of the vehicles from Kruse Drive and going towards the rear of the building. Mr. Hobbs also expressed his concern about traffic backing up and said based on a site review this is the best plan for this configuration. He suggested to help control backups occurring if an attendant can walk food to the cars and ask for cars to pull forward to help move vehicles along similar to Chick-fil-A. Mr. Pelunis just wanted to make sure the other tenants in Kruse Commons are not affected. Mr. Zelwin is supportive of the plan. After further discussion of the parking lot, Chairman Russo asked that the issue come back to the city should there be any problems with the plan. A recommendation memo was sent back to the Planning Commission for their approval and to include a contingency that a rear door at the building can be used for an attendant to walk food to vehicles to prevent backups in the line.

Motion by Councilman Zelwin, seconded by Councilman Pelunis, recommendation to approve the application of L & Y Properties-Solon, LLC for a drive aisle width variance and sit plan contingent upon if cars backed up into entrance to parking lot that Panera would direct cars to where to park and food orders would be brought out to cars to move queue and prevent backing up onto Kruse Drive.

Roll Call: Aye: Pelunis, Russo, Zelwin
 Nay: None

Motion Carried

Police and Fire:

3. Memo – Phased Police MDT Replacement Project Purchase

Chief Tonelli stated there are currently Mobile Data Terminals (MDT's) in each of the fifteen (15) marked Solon Police Cruisers. Due to maintenance and warranty issues the department is requesting authorization to purchase three (3) new MDT's each year. Chief Tonelli is requesting the approval to purchase three (3) MDT's from CDW-Government, 75 Remittance Drive, Suite 1515, Chicago, IL, 60675 in the amount of \$9,900.00 which includes a three (3) year warranty. These funds were budgeted to come from the Capital Budget during the budget appropriation hearings.

Motion by Councilman Pelunis, seconded by Councilman Zelwin, to approve the purchase of three (3) MDT's from CDW-Government in the amount of \$9,900.00. Funds are budgeted to come from Capital Fund Line No. 491.1109.552001 and have been approved during budget appropriation hearings under an emergency.

Roll Call: Aye: Pelunis, Russo, Zelwin
Nay: None

Motion Carried

4. Traffic Report –Month of June

Chief Tonelli said earlier this year, the department purchased three (3) Traffic Logix Speed Signs and they were each deployed on the following streets: On Lisa Lane from May 20 – June 24, 2020 there were over 10,391 cars that traveled thru Lisa Lane with the average speed of 24 mph. On Ada Drive from May 19 – June 24, 2020 there were 13,595 cars that traveled thru Ada Drive with the average speed of 25 mph. On Arbordale Avenue from May 19 – June 25, 2020 there were 4,262 cars that traveled thru Arbordale Avenue with the average speed was 24 mph. Chief Tonelli said for the month of June the Traffic Logix Speed Signs will be deployed to Janet Boulevard, Dorset Lane, and Harper Road locations and he will review the reports at the next Safety & Public Properties Meeting. The committee members all commented on how nice these new reports are and are very pleased with them. It was requested once school is back in session if the Traffic Signs could be placed back at these areas since speeding is an ongoing issue.

Engineering:

5. Memo – Authorization to replace Seven (7) Street Lights entering City Hall

Mr. Drsek is requesting legislation be prepared to purchase seven (7) Whatley poles and seven (7) Hadco lamp heads to match the existing ones that are currently in the City Hall roundabout. Mr. Drsek is requesting they are purchased from Wesco Distribution through Sourcewell Contract in the amount of \$27,887.65. The LED Upgrade project will be funded from the City's 2020 NOPEC Energized Community (NEC) grant award (2020-042). He said this proposal includes the cost of the material only. Our city electricians will complete the installation.

Motion by Councilman Zelwin, seconded by Councilman Pelunis to request legislation be prepared accepting the proposal of Wesco Distribution from Sourcewell Contract #121218-WES in the amount of \$27,887.65 which includes the purchase of seven (7) Whatley poles and Hadco heads and to contain an emergency clause since the vendor will only hold the price until July 31, 2020.

Roll Call: Aye: Pelunis, Russo, Zelwin
Nay: None

Motion Carried

6. Memo – Properties located 35050, 35100, 35150, and 35220 Aurora Road

Mr. Drsek updated the committee the Law Director Lobe requested a memo be prepared to keep the committee updated on the properties that were passed on the new zoning per issue 19 earlier this year. He said these properties were originally purchased to house a Fire Station when they were bought. In the meantime, the city had built Fire Station 2 and is no longer considering building a Fire Station on this property. He is currently working on a timeline to advertise for construction for the Clear Water Court extension to Portz Parkway. At this time, there is no action to take on behalf of the committee. The Engineering Department will come back to the committee as it moves along.

7. Memo –Demolition of City Owned Homes, Contract 2020.30

Mr. Busch stated on June 26, bids were received for the Demolition of City Owned Homes Contract 2020.20 and Cook Brothers came in as the lowest bidder. However, Cook Brothers did not have the Qualification of Bidder and All Subcontractors Affidavit notarized and the city Law Director recommended the City not entertain the bid from Cook Brothers. It is the recommendation of the Engineering Department and the Law Director that the bid from C & J Excavating be considered as the lowest and best qualified bidder in the amount of \$28,927.00.

Motion by Councilman Pelunis, seconded by Councilman Zelwin to request legislation be prepared awarding the Demolition of City Owned Homes Contract 2020.20 to C & J Excavating in the amount of \$28,927.00 under an emergency in order to start work as soon as possible.

Roll Call: Aye: Pelunis, Russo, Zelwin
Nay: None

Motion Carried

8. Memo – Harper Road Diverging Diamond Interchange -

Mr. Busch said the City received a Safety Grant Funding in the amount of \$3,000,000.00 for the US 422 Harper Road Diverging Diamond Interchange project and the remainder of the funding will need to come from other sources or to use local funds. The Phase Estimate for the Construction phase of the improvement is \$7,632,860.00. He said per the letter from ODOT dated July 7, 2020, ODOT is requesting the City make a formal request to ODOT to program this project and complete and submit the NOACA Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Amendment and Modification Form by July 31, 2020. Mr. Busch said he is going to pursue other funding options to help with the remaining amount. He stated per the letter from ODOT the Fiscal Year is 2024, therefore, the earliest construction could start on this project would be July of 2023. There is no action to be taken by the committee at this time other than moving forward with the Design Proposal Phase which has already been approved and authorized. The Design Proposal Fee is in the amount of \$940,866.00 and is already budgeted for and the monies are still available. Mr. Hobbs recommended not waiting too long as the design process could take up to two (2) and a half years and then it will have to go through the ODOT review process.

9. Status Update Report for the month ending June 30, 2020

Mr. Busch submitted the Engineering Department Update Report and there were no questions from the committee. He said the Fire Station 1 Roof Replacement punchlist work is complete. The Community Center Indoor Pool Lighting is substantially complete with a walkthrough coming up. The HVAC Upgrade at the Service Department is underway. The Community Center Senior Center Parking Lot is moving forward.

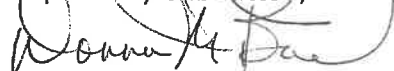
Motion by Councilman Zelwin, seconded by Councilman Pelunis to adjourn the Safety and Public Properties Meeting.

Roll Call: Aye: Pelunis, Russo, Zelwin
Nay: None

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Donna M. Bond, Secretary
Safety & Public Properties Committee