
MEETING MINUTES
CAPITAL INVESTMENT COMMITTEE
CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE
CITY HALL BOARDROOM
THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2012, 4:00 PM

Committee Members

Alderman Clyde Barnhill, Chair P
Alderman Pearl Bransford, Vice Chair P
Alderman Margaret Martin P
Alderman Dana McLendon P

Other Attendees

Eric Stuckey, City Administrator P
Russ Truell, ACA Finance & Administration P
David Parker, City Engineer/CIP Executive P
Paul Holzen, Interim Engineering Director P
Joe York Streets Director P
Lisa Clayton, Parks Director P
Alderman Brandy Blanton P
Alderman Ann Petersen P
Alderman Michael Skinner P
Mayor Ken Moore P
Lanaii Benne, Assistant City Recorder P
Sarah Sappington, Administrative Assistant P
Linda Fulwider, Board Recording Secretary P

1. Call to Order

Alderman Clyde Barnhill, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

Alderman Bransford moved to approve the April 12, 2012 minutes as submitted. Seconded by Alderman Martin. Motion carried unanimously 3-0 (Alderman McLendon was not present).

3. Consideration of Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement (COF Contract No. 2010-0098) with Littlejohn Engineering Associates (LEA) for the Eastern Flank Battlefield in an Amount Not to Exceed Cost of \$5,800.00

David Parker, City Engineer/CIP Executive

This is a stream restoration project.

Alderman Martin moved to approve Amendment 1 and forward recommendation to BOMA. Seconded by Alderman Bransford. Motion carried unanimously 3-0 (Alderman McLendon was not present).

4. Consideration of Sanitary Sewer Availability Request for Susan Smith Map 79, Parcel 57.03

David Parker, City Engineer/CIP Executive

The City has an interceptor across this property on Clovercroft Road. Staff recommends approval. Property owner responsible for all fees.

Alderman Bransford moved to approve request for sanitary sewer and forward recommendation to BOMA. Seconded by Alderman Martin. Motion approved unanimously 3-0 (Alderman McLendon was not present)

5. **Consideration of Change Order No. 2 to the Jackson Lake Dredging Improvements Project (COF Contract No. 2011-0003) for an Increase in the Contract Amount of \$10,001.73 and an Additional 21 Days**

David Parker, City Engineer/CIP Executive

Paul Holzen said Change Order No. 2 for \$10,001.73 is for the design and construction of the box culvert crossing Dry Branch located on Christ United Methodist Church property.

As for the debate about who is responsible for the trash in the lake, it is the contractor. The additional time is due to their equipment not being sufficient to handle the job. The new construction completion date would become April 9, 2012. Please note the contractor is currently working outside of contract time and this status will not change with approval of Change Order No. 2.

Alderman Martin asked if the concerns voiced by the residents had been resolved. Mr. Holzen responded they would advise them of the resolution.

Alderman Martin moved to approve Change Order No. 2 and forward recommendation to BOMA. Seconded by Alderman Bransford. Motion carried unanimously 3-0 (Alderman McLendon was not present).

★ Alderman McLendon joined the meeting @ 4:08 p.m.

6. **Consideration of Amendment #2 to Master Services Agreement for Stream Restoration Projects with AMEC (COF Contract 2010-0154 in an Amount Not to Exceed \$44,255 for the Victoria Court Detention Facility Design**

David Parker, City Engineer/CIP Executive

The project is to improve the quality of surface waters in the Ralston Creek Watershed using Stormwater best management practices off-line of the main stream. AMEC is currently designing the stream restoration project for Victoria Court. It would be advantageous to the City to do this detention design and construction work in conjunction with the approved stream restoration project. Funding is in the FY 2013 Stormwater Capital Budget.

Alderman Martin moved to approve Amendment #2 and forward recommendation to BOMA. Seconded by Alderman Bransford. Motion carried unanimously.

7. **Consideration of the Staff Recommendation for the Traffic Improvement at the Intersection of Oxford Glen Drive and McEwen Drive**

David Parker, City Engineer/CIP Executive

With the opening of McEwen Phase III Project in April the City has received complaints about extreme traffic delays at the intersection of McEwen Drive & Oxford Glen Drive. Counts taken after the opening of McEwen III revealed the All-Way Stop Control results in failed Levels of Service (LOS F) during both the morning and afternoon peak hours. This prompted Engineering to seek alternatives for traffic control at this intersection until the temporary connector road can be completed.

Staff recommendation:

- Two-way Stop on McEwen Drive, with interim channelization for westbound right turn only. All westbound traffic would turn right and then proceed through the roundabout to their desired direction, with special signing to South Oxford Glen Drive.
- AM: westbound LOS F, maximum queue 900 feet
- AM: southbound left LOS A, maximum queue 25 feet

- PM: westbound LOS B, maximum queue 50 feet
- PM: southbound left LOS B, maximum queue 100 feet

Multiple signs will be placed. Signs will be placed on Oxford Glen Drive warning that the speed limit goes to 30 mph. An ordinance will be written. Once the connector is finished traffic should diminish. The school system and HOAs were contacted about the proposed changes.

Alderman Burger read some of the comments she received. She asked how this change will be monitored in the first few weeks police-wise. Alderman Burger stated she is scheduled to speak at the Garden Club Estates HOA meeting.

Eric Stuckey related the signage should be of help when this is instituted. Staff will wait to see if traffic assistance is needed; although, that too could be a hindrance.

Alderman McLendon asked if there were other options if this one doesn't work. David Parker responded the better options involve costly construction that would be impossible to have in place prior to the completion of the connector. There really is no other option. For safety and the best traffic flow the staff recommendation is it.

Alderman Burger reiterated her concerns for monitoring the first two weeks of implementation and said she wants a presence there. Staff responded there would be ample warning of the change through message boards and other announcements. Mr. Parker related they plan to write an ordinance and take it to the May 22 Work Session and BOMA meeting.

★ Alderman McLendon left the meeting @ 4:25 p.m.

Mr. Parker mentioned another issue for discussion is the speed limit on Phase III. The grade had to be lowered under TVA lines and had to go to a vertical curve; therefore, the recommended speed limit is 35 mph to the west of the TVA power lines to all the way around the roundabout. As an engineer he cannot recommend the Board raise the speed limit. The Board, however, has the authority to review it at the May 22 meetings. Mr. Stuckey added the information is FYI as preparation for the Board meetings.

Alderman Burger stated that she wanted to keep the speed limit consistent along the entire road and that it should be 40 mph.

Kevin Forney, Williamson County Schools, said that from a transportation standpoint, there is no issue with the busses making that right turn going north through the roundabout and heading south. He asked to have the signage explained for going south on Cool Springs Boulevard and turning east onto McEwen since a left turn yields to oncoming traffic. Mr. Parker responded that signage will be added to indicate such. Mr. Fortney asked if the tubular channelization devices could extend a bit north to or near to the crosswalk to try to minimize someone in the right lane from jumping over to the left turn lane. Mr. Parker said staff would look into that.

8. Consideration of Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Smith Seckman Reid, Inc. (SSR) for the Andover/Centennial Business Park Area Drainage Study in an Amount Not to Exceed \$29,400 (COF Contract 2012-0082)

David Parker, City Engineer/CIP Executive

Margaret recused herself from discussion and voting on this item, and left the room.

Mr. Parker noted they have been working on a drainage situation since the 2010 flood. The Street Department has done some improvements; however, the Andover residents are still complaining about drainage issues behind Sonic. A quick study is needed to see what can be done to assure the facilities there work as well as they should.

Alderman Bransford moved to approve the PSA with SSR in an amount not to exceed \$29,400 and forward recommendation to BOMA. Seconded by Alderman Barnhill. Motion carried 2-0 with Alderman Martin recused and Alderman McLendon absent.

Alderman Martin rejoined the meeting.

9. **Street Projects Status Reports**

- a. **Mack Hatcher Parkway NW Extension**
- b. **Hillsboro Road Improvements (SR 96W to Independence Square)**
- c. **Hillsboro Road Improvements (Independence Square to Mack Hatcher Parkway)**
- d. **McEwen Drive, Phase III Improvements**
- e. **McEwen Drive Temporary Connector**
- f. **Third Avenue Extension**
- g. **South Carothers Parkway Extension**
- h. **Carlisle Lane/Boyd Mill @ SR 96 West Signalization**
Alderman Martin asked when this project would be completed. Mr. Holzen said the tentative bid date is set for next month or so. It will take 8-12 months to complete. There is lengthy lead time for the signal poles.
- i. **Nichol Mill Lane**
- j. **TOC Phase 3 Infrastructure and Upgrades Project**
- k. **McEwen Drive and Wilson Pike Intersection Improvements**
- l. **Mack Hatcher Parkway Northeast Widening Project**
- m. **Access Road to the Public Works Facility (across Lasko)**
- n. **Century Court/Beasley Drive Connector**

Reports filed with minutes.

Connector Between Long Lane and Old Peytonsville Road

Mr. Parker said that he, Eric Stuckey, and Paul Holzen met with TDOT yesterday. Early on the City declared a preference for an underpass rather than the TDOT preferred overpass across I-65. That was two years ago and the City did not receive a formal response from TDOT. Yesterday, TDOT said they would approve an overpass, but required a feasibility study for an underpass. The consultant for the project was asked to provide a cost and that was received today. Staff is in the process of reviewing that. Whatever is done should be done when TDOT widens I-65. If an underpass is chosen, the City will have to pay for the bridge. If an overpass is done, the City will have to pay for a pier. If the City asks for an underpass it could delay the widening of I-65.

Mr. Stuckey added there is a window with the design work they are doing with the widening. TDOT raised some concerns the City had not heard before, such as it may not be realistic to do an underpass because of the soil, rock, etc.; thus, a study. The City does need to keep going forward because there few exits in that area. The crossing is on the Major Thoroughfare Plan.

Discussion:

- Costs of underpass vs. overpass

- Important to prepare for certain aspects now
- This is laying the ground work when and if this is done
- The consensus was for an underpass (could cost more)
- Need to go forward relatively quickly. Tried to get it done prior to the I-65 widening to keep traffic going.
- Fire Station #7 will be in that general area along with new development. Good access across I-65 is imperative for reasons of safety.
- Connector road is strictly City funding.

10. Water Management Projects Status Reports

- Franklin Integrated Water Resources Plan**
- Water, Wastewater and Reclaimed Water Specifications**
- West Main Street Water and Sewer Rehabilitation**
- Mack Hatcher Northwest Extension Water and Sewer Line Relocations**

Reports filed with minutes

11. Stormwater Projects Status Reports

- Jackson Lake Dredging Improvements Project**
- Buckingham Park Stream Restoration Project**
- Green Branch Stream Restoration Project**
- Ralston Creek (Victoria Court) Stream Restoration Project**

Reports filed with minutes

ADJOURN

Alderman Bransford moved to adjourn. Seconded my Alderman Martin. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 4:54 p.m.

Clyde Barnhill, Chair

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