

CITY OF REDLANDS
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES/PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
Monday, August 24, 2015, at 4:00 P.M.
Special Meeting
Municipal Utilities & Engineering Department Conference Room
35 Cajon Street, Suite 15A, Redlands, CA

MINUTES

Commissioners Present:

Stephen Stockton (Chairperson)
Mark Stanson
Tim Landis
Norman Miner
Bill Bayne
Shane Wellborn
Richard Hernandez

Absent:

None

Staff:

John James, City Council Liaison
Chris Diggs, MUED Director
Fred Cardenas, Quality of Life Director
Michael Pool, Interim City Engineer
Jane Weathers, Senior Administrative Technician

Guest(s):

John Egan
Dennis Bell

I. Municipal Utilities/Public Works Commission - Call to Order, Roll Call and Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting on July 20, 2015

The special meeting of the Municipal Utilities/Public Works Commission (MU/PWC) was called to order by Chairperson Stockton. A motion was made by Chairperson Stockton to approve the minutes of the special meeting conducted on July 20, 2015, seconded by Vice Chairperson Stanson, and carried unanimously.

II. New Business

A. Discussion and Possible Action Related to Sidewalk Repair Prioritization Matrix (Chris Diggs, MUED Director)

A report on the sidewalk repair prioritization matrix to be utilized for City sidewalk repair projects was presented to the Commission for their discussion and possible action. Mr. Diggs and Mr. Pool presented information via PowerPoint and provided details pertaining to budget for sidewalk repairs, number of miles of City sidewalk in need of repairs, and the criteria/criterion value developed jointly by City engineering and street division staff. A number of discussions ensued related to: types of facilities noted on matrix maps, compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), consideration of warranted tree removals, repair/project to budget ratio, locations specified within and outside of City, engineering judgement and coordination with other staff, consideration of other repairs and locations which may fall within a historic area or are without a sidewalk.

Staff reiterated the methodology matrix will be a living document and that many factors will continue to be taken into consideration, such as accessibility challenges, population

centers, and coordination of anticipated City projects. The sidewalk repair projects are intended to repair broken (crushed and/or lifted) sidewalk throughout the City. ADA and/or Community Development Block Grant projects, and the City's tree replacement program are mutually exclusive from the sidewalk repair projects. Following discussion, Chairperson Stockton called for a motion.

A motion was made by Vice Chairperson Stanson and seconded by Commissioner Wellborn to recommend to City Council to adopt the sidewalk repair matrix methodology. The motion was opened for discussion.

An amendment to the motion was made by Commissioner Bayne and seconded by Commissioner Hernandez to add to the initial motion additional verbiage to ensure repairs made will be in compliance with the ADA. The amendment to the motion was opened for discussion. After a show of hands in favor of amending the motion, the amendment failed.

The original motion to adopt the sidewalk repair matrix methodology carried with five Commissioners in favor, Commissioner Hernandez opposed, and Commissioner Bayne abstained from voting.

III. Communications

A. Commissioner Reports and Requests for Future Agenda Items

For the next regular meeting agenda to be conducted on October 5, 2015, requests reiterated from the Commission's July 20, 2015, special meeting were as follows: 2014 URS Draft Efficiency Initiatives for Wastewater Treatment Operations Report; Redlands Boulevard/Alabama Street/Colton Avenue Realignment Project; and Senate Bill 628 concerning enhanced infrastructure financing. Other items raised were lighted under crossings similar to what is installed near the Galleria Mall in Riverside, California, review and permitting process for parklets, public relations for resident awareness of City paving projects, paving methods currently being utilized in paving projects, overall street lighting throughout the City, realignment of lanes on Alabama Street as part of the Redlands Boulevard/Alabama Street/Colton Avenue realignment, and insurance claims received by the City.

IV. Public Comment

None.

V. Adjournment

Chairperson Stockton adjourned the meeting.

Jane Weathers

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