

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES

Monday, January 10, 2022

A meeting of the Public Works and Utilities Committee was held this date A meeting of the Public Works and Utilities Committee was held this date held this date using Conference Call Number: 1-929-205-6099 and Access Code: 592 385 519: beginning at 4:33 p.m. Notice of this meeting was sent to the news media.

PRESENT

Committee Members: Councilmember Perry K. Waring, Chair, Mayor John J. Tecklenburg, Councilmember A. Peter Shahid, Jr., Councilmember Harry Joseph Griffin and Councilmember Ross A. Appel. Also present was Councilmember Carol Jackson, District 12.

City Staff: Mr. Tom O'Brien Director of Public Service, Mr. Matthew Fountain, Director Storm Water Management, Ms. Julia Copeland, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Mr. Daniel McQueeney, Assistant Corporation Counsel, Mrs. Stirling Halversen, Assistant Corporation Counsel, Mr. Richard Jerue, Senior Advisor to the Mayor, Mrs. Tracy McKee, Chief Innovation Officer, Mr. Andrew Dickson, Network Engineer and Ms. Velvett Simmons, Assistant Clerk of Council.

A. Invocation

Councilmember Griffin opened the meeting with an invocation.

B. Approval of Public Works and Utilities Committee Minutes:

1. November 22, 2021
2. December 20, 2021

On motion of Griffin, seconded by Mayor Tecklenburg, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the November 22, 2021 and December 20, 2021 minutes as distributed.

C. Request to Set a Public Hearing

None

D. Old Business

None

E. Acceptance and Dedication of Streets

None

F. Temporary Encroachments Approved by Department of Public Service – for information only

1. **62 Spring Street** - Taxidermy – installing right angle sign in City right-of-way. This encroachment is temporary.
2. **563 King Street** - The Honey Hive – installing right angle sign in the City right-of-way. This encroachment is temporary.
3. **580 Old Compass Road** – installing fence encroaching in the City drainage easement. This encroachment is temporary.
4. **580 Old Compass Road** - installing irrigation encroaching in the City right-of-way. This encroachment is temporary.
5. **2354 Rushland Landing Drive** - install driveway with tabby finish in the City right-of-way. This encroachment is temporary.

6. **44 Watroo Point** – installing salt pocket driveway in the City right-of-way. This encroachment is temporary.
7. **44 Watroo Point** – installing 12” drop inlet drain box in the City right-of-way. This encroachment is temporary.
8. **140 East Bay Street, Unit A** – Charleston Tourism Café’ – installing right-of-way. This encroachment is temporary.
9. **446 Fish Tale Road** – installing irrigation in the City right-of-way. This encroachment is temporary.
10. **23 Ann Street** –installing right angle sign in City right-of-way. This encroachment is temporary.
11. **764 Rutledge Avenue** – installing drain inlet in driveway connected to City Storm Drain. This encroachment is temporary.

In response to a question from the Chair, Mr. O’Brien replied each of the encroachments were standard, reviewed and approved by staff.

H. Public Service Department Update

None

I. Stormwater Management Department Update

1. Spring Fishburne Phase 5 – Recommend approval of a pump procurement contract with Xylem Water Solutions in the amount of \$5,959,684.00 for the supply of three variable speed axial or mixed flow vertical column pumps with diesel engine drives (120,00 gpm) for the future pump station. Approval of this procurement contract will institute at project budget of \$38,452,663.00 with funding from the King St. Gateway TIF (\$26,003,011.00) and the SC Transportation Infrastructure Bank (\$12,449,652.00). With the approval of the project budget, Staff is authorized to award and/or amend contracts \$40,000.00 or less to the extent project contingency funds exist in the Council Approved Budget.

Councilmember Griffin made a motion to approve the request.

Mr. Fountain stated just before the meeting he sent out an update to the terms and conditions. He noted there were minor changes to the legal language pertaining to what was being purchased.

Councilmember Shahid seconded the motion.

Councilmember Griffin thanked staff and all the members of Council. He recalled when Council received the report and didn’t know how to fund this project. It took a lot of great minds to get this project done. This was the most collaborative and one of the most expensive project the City worked on. Councilmember Griffin felt this Committee worked hard to make this happen and he was proud of the City.

The Chair conveyed everyone was at their wits end due to the cost of inflation. He mentioned to Councilmember Appel, the \$6M allocated to his district would have been used for this project had it not been for this request.

Mayor Tecklenburg said this was a huge accomplishment thanking everyone for a remarkable collaborative effort by staff and Councilmembers.

The Committee vote unanimously to approve the Spring Fishburne Phase 5 - approve a pump procurement contract with Xylem Water Solutions in the amount of \$5,959,684.00 for the supply of three variable speed axial or mixed flow vertical column pumps with diesel engine drives (120,00 gpm) for the future pump station. Approval of this procurement contract will institute at project budget of \$38,452,663.00 with funding from the King St. Gateway TIF (\$26,003,011.00) and the SC Transportation Infrastructure Bank (\$12,449,652.00). With the approval of the project budget, Staff is authorized to award and/or amend contracts \$40,000.00 or less to the extent project contingency funds exist in the Council Approved Budget.

2. Spring Fishburne Phase 5 Recommend approval of Fee Amendment #22 to the Professional Services contract with Davis and Floyd in the amount of \$1,456,700.00 for the pre-construction services to support bidding and awarding of the construction contract for the pump station superstructure, permitting, code review, and design updates. Funding is available from the King St. Gateway TIF and SC Transportation Infrastructure Bank.

On motion of Councilmember Griffin, seconded by Councilmember Shahid, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the Spring Fishburne Phase 5 - approve Fee Amendment #22 to the Professional Services contract with Davis and Floyd in the amount of \$1,456,700.00 for the pre-construction services to support bidding and awarding of the construction contract for the pump station superstructure, permitting, code review, and design updates. Funding is available from the King St. Gateway TIF and SC Transportation Infrastructure Bank.

3. Concord Street Pump Station Upfit – Recommend approval of a Construction Manager at Risk services contract with Black and Veatch Corporation in the amount of \$1,699,540.00 for design services, project implementation plan, project and/or program management, grant funding assistance, permitting research permitting services, design and construction administrative services, and CMAR representative services. Funding is available within the project budget allocated from the Drainage Fund.

On motion of Councilmember Griffin, seconded by Councilmember Shahid, the Committee voted unanimously to approve Concord Street Pump Station Upfit - Construction Manager at Risk services contract with Black and Veatch Corporation in the amount of \$1,699,540.00 for design services, project implementation plan, project and/or program management, grant funding assistance, permitting research permitting services, design and construction administrative services, and CMAR representative services. Funding is available within the project budget allocated from the Drainage Fund.

Mayor Tecklenburg asked for staff to design and place signage at the site to let the public know how their drainage dollars was being spend. Mr. Fountain replied he would work with staff on signage. He there would be some public outrage because this would be ongoing through 2023 and beyond

The Committee voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Councilmember Griffin thanked Mr. O'Brien Mr. Fountain and Mr. Alltop for their hard work given. Mr. O'Brien thanked Councilmember Griffin for all of his hard work and support.

Councilmember Shahid wished Councilmember Griffin the best of luck.

J. Miscellaneous or Other New Business
None

On motion of Councilmember, seconded Councilmember, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn at 4:52 p.m.

Vanessa Ellington
Clerk of Council's Office