

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
CITY OF WISCONSIN DELLS
MUNICIPAL BUILDING-300 LA CROSSE STREET
APRIL 10, 2017

Chairperson Mor called the meeting to order at 5:45 PM. Notice of the meeting was provided to the Dells Events, WNNO Radio, and posted in accordance with State Statutes.

1. Present: Mayor Landers, Ald. Dar Mor, Ald. Ed Wojnicz and Ald. Brian Holzem
Others: Public Works Director David Holzem, City Planner Chris Tollaksen, DPW Office Clerk Monica Dorow-Leis, City Clerk Nancy Holzem, Ald. Freel, Ald. Fox, Ald. DeFosse, Ben Anderson, John Langhans, Kevin Ruhland and Sarah Gengler, Michael and Amber Showalter, Eric Helland, Nihat Almas, and Ed Legge from the Dells Events
2. Motion by Ald. Holzem and seconded by Mayor Landers, to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2017 meeting. Motion carried.
3. This was tabled at the Finance Committee and the revised MSA Scope of Services Update for Traffic Analysis and Improvements, specific to Eddy Street dated April 5, 2017 was referred back to the Public Works Committee. The main concern was the crosswalk was only being proposed for the east side of the Eddy Street intersection. They are now looking at the scope to look at having it more options such as crosswalks on both the east and west sides, and Eddy Street open for 2-way traffic or a dedicated 1-way street. Updating their scope increased the costs a bit. John Langhans, with MSA spoke about the scope of the contract. The first step is to design in coordination with the city for a traffic signal at Eddy Street, which is Task 1 of the project. Items 2, 3 and 4 are more long term type approaches for the city to think about. The major changes were made in Task 1B where they specifically note that they will complete a traffic analysis of up to six different scenarios for Eddy Street to compare impacts to pedestrians and vehicles between LaCrosse Street and River Road/Superior Street. They will put together a benefit and disadvantage type of analysis for each scenario. Upon selecting an alternative, then it is the standard design, upfront analysis, then final design, bidding and coordination. Ald. Holzem said that in Task 1B they said they are doing the study, but then in Task 1C, it looks like 'Northbound Only' is being determined already on Eddy Street. John said this was an oversight and they would change and clarify this. Ald. Holzem said he would like to see a crosswalk on both sides. John also clarified by saying this scope has never been the expressway out of town. John said there are traffic problems at River Road and Broadway and are looking at operations to alleviate the pressure there. He said everything that is happening on Eddy Street is an alternative, not a designated route and hopes to find the best alternative. John further said that he understands the city wanting to find balance, but they have to find balance with traffic and pedestrian safety and efficient operations verses the city's economic development, and sometimes may not be agreeable on both sides. John said they would not propose La Crosse Street to become signalized or beacon type crosswalk, but intend to show different scenarios what sort of gaps there would be for pedestrian crossings there.

Eric Helland suggested some sort of crosswalk at La Crosse Street is important, because no one is crossing there. John reminded everyone that in regards to people movement, part of the city's goals is working on a wayfinding program. Sara Gengler, with MSA will be back with the modeling within 6 to 8 weeks. Just a reminder WiDOT is the regulating agency, no matter what MSA and they city decide. Police Chief Jody Ward had input on Eddy Street. He said after the fall festival in the Dells and other traffic control times, he reroutes detour traffic on Eddy Street. There is a narrow crosswalk because of the large bumpout at Eddy Street and suggested making the road wider to help with future traffic control. John also said that if there was ever a location for an overpass downtown, it would be in the blocks they are discussing, and encourages the city to keep this on the table as a long-term option. Motion by Mayor Landers and seconded by Ald. Holzem recommend to council approve the MSA Scope of Services Update for Traffic Analysis and Improvements, specific to Eddy Street dated April 5, 2017 deleting and clarifying restriping

of Eddy Street as 'Northbound Only' in Task IC(2). It stated it as if 'Northbound Only' was already being determined. Motion carried.

4. Motion by Ald. Holzem and seconded by Ald. Wojnicz recommend to council approve replacing the in ground crosswalk lights on Broadway near Eddy Street. The lights have a 3-year warranty. Chris said less than half of the lights are out. Motion carried.
5. Chris Tollaksen said the request to use public space on the second floor of the Chalet building located at 404 ½ Broadway came from last month. This is an updated request coming from the Accommodation Agreement that was not finalized at the last meeting. The agreement includes limitations, when the Design Review Committee approved it last week. The DRC approved the use of the space, but not the Hookah, which is reflected in the proposal at this meeting. Last month the applicant only asked for approval on drinks and food. The DRC wanted to see an updated design with barrier with a railing due to the elevated area.

Motion by Mayor Landers and seconded by Ald. Holzem recommend to council deny the Yolo Café Accommodation Agreement. The DRC approved the design for use outside, but contingent on no hookah outside. Mayor Landers said he loves the outdoor cafes, but not outdoor hookah. On another note, they would need construction with exhaust hood to prepare food there.

Chris said the committee could approve it as is or approve it with the potential change of using ceramic mugs instead of plastic cups, or deny it. The motions remained denying Yolo Café Accommodation Agreement. Motion carried to *deny* the Yolo Café Accommodation Agreement with Ald. Wojnicz voting to approve the agreement.

6. Motion by Mayor Landers and seconded by Ald. Holzem recommend to council approve the Broadway Café Area Non-Exclusive Use Agreement. Ald. Mor and Planning and Zoning Administrator Chris Tollaksen said this would be for MACS Restaurant. Ald. Mor said MACS would have a server taking the orders, then delivering the beer or wine. They would be the only ones that would be able to serve in that designated area, but anyone would be able to sit in that area. This would be an annual Agreement.
7. Finch Motel is requesting an information sign to be placed on Wisconsin Avenue. David Holzem said he understands the need, but how do you restrict others that may want this in the future. This item was discussion only and no action was needed.
8. David said there was about a 4% increase for the pressure washing contract and about an 8% increase for the sealing portion which hasn't been done since 2013. Motion by Mayor Landers and seconded by Ald. Holzem recommend to council approve the 2017 Water Dragon Mobile Pressure Washing Proposal/Contract Agreement and Contract Cleaning Agreement. Motion carried.
9. Motion by Mayor Landers and seconded by Ald. Wojnicz recommend to council approve Show Striping Industries Proposal Number 2017-3091 for re-striping the City. Motion carried.
10. Everyone liked item 10-3 presented, with colors Water Front and Purple Haze from Tnemec Company Tank Colorization, with Souvenir-Bold/Italic font. The company may have to stack the Wisconsin Dells lettering instead of the one line shown. This item was discussion only.
11. Referred to the next meeting include bids for Bauer Street Reconstruction and the need for more garbage cans on the 700 Block of Oak Street.
12. Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 8, 2017 at 5:45pm.
13. Motion by Ald. Holzem and seconded by Mayor Landers to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.