Waltham City Council Public Works and Public Safety Committee Minutes Tuesday February 19, 2019



The Clerk called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm. Councillor Mackin nominated Councillor Diane LeBlance. Councillor LeBlanc did not accept. Councillor LaCava nominated Councillor Mackin. Councillor Daince LeBlanc moved to close nominations. The motion was approved on a voice vote. Councillor Mackin was elected chair on a voice vote.

Councillor Mackin assumed the Chair.

Attendance

Present:

Cathyann Harris

Diane P. LeBlanc

Kristine A. Mackin

Joseph P. LaCava

Absent

Randall J. LeBlanc

Councillor LaCava moved approval of minutes from 2/4/2019. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

New matters:

17-25 509-527 and 533 Moody Street

Councillor Harris moved to hear from Chief McInnis. The motion was approved on a voice vote. Councillor Harris asked about the timeline. The Fire Chief reviewed the timeline as outlined on a document titled Proposed Timeline that was provided to the Committee during the meeting. Councillor Harris asked the Chief to review the timeline for demolition of the Young Building. The Chief said this upcoming Saturday is the demolition day. The Chief reviewed the prep work that is being done including outreach to let the community and neighborhood know about the project. Councillor Harris reviewed the abatement and other matters including traffic. The Chief said the fence will go up tomorrow. There will be an impact for sidewalk use and parking. There will be police details on site and a traffic plan is in place that includes two police detail officers. Councillor Harris pointed out that the demolition will occur in one day. There will be a hose line for dust control. The Chief expects the building to be down and the hole to be filled within 8-10 days. Assistant Planning Director James Lacrosse reviewed where the utilities are identified on a plan titled Demolition and Erosion control plan dated 2/12/2019. Mr. Lacrosse said that the only cut into the street for demolition is the gas line which National Grid requires prior to demolition. During phase 2 of the project, all new sewer gas and electric will be brought to the building. Also, Utilities will be cut and capped at the main and new services will be run to the building.

Councillor Diane LeBlanc asked questions about air quality testing. Purchasing Agent Pedulla said there would be. Councillor Harris moved for approval. Councillor Diane LeBlanc Requested a roll call.

Roll Call:

Cathyann Harris Yes

Diane P. LeBlanc Yes

Kristine A. Mackin Yes

Joseph P. LaCava Yes

Randall J. LeBlanc Absent

The motion was approved and the matter was forwarded to the full Council with a recommendation that it be approved.

Issues on Lexington Street

Diane LeBlanc moved to take the matter from the table. Councillor Diane LeBlanc mentioned that this was because of all the water and gas work occurring on Lexington Street. Councillor Diane LeBlanc moved to place the matter on file. The motion was approved on a voice vote and the matter was forwarded to the full council with a recommendation that it be placed on file.

Nutting Road 17-80

Councillor Diane LeBlanc moved to take the matter from the table. Councillor Diane LeBlanc asked the Clerk to review the status. Councillor LeBlanc moved to lay the matter on the table. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Chris Gamble said he is taping the meeting.

Consent Decree

Councillor Diane LeBlanc moved to take the matter from the table. Councillor Diane LeBlanc asked the Clerk to pull a copy of resolution and send it around. Councillor LeBlanc moved Lay the matter on the table.

17-80 7 Private ways in Goldencrest estates.

Councillor LeBlanc moved to have a follow-up up betterment request sent. The motion was approved on a voice vote. Councillor LeBlanc moved to request that the betterments be calculated at 10% owner 90% city. Councillor Harris asked a clarifying question about how the betterments were being calculated. Councillor Harris asked if this situation was similar to Harrington road. The request was approved. Councillor LeBlanc moved to lay the matter on the table. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Councillor LeBlanc moved to adjourn at 6:45. The motion was approved on a voice vote.