



***Waltham City Council
Public Works and Public Safety Committee
Minutes
Monday, June 18, 2018***

***Hoover Committee Room
City Hall, 610 Main Street
Waltham, Massachusetts***

Chairman Vidal called the meeting to order at 4:35 pm.

Attendance:

Present: Brasco, Harris, Randy LeBlanc, Vidal

Absent: Romard

Councillor Harris moved approval of minutes from 5/21/2018. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

New matters:

17-25 Resurfacing petition Lincoln Street (a portion of 53 Glen Circle)

Councillor Fowler said he had concerns with the subdivision plan, but since an appeal was not filed the Committee should be reviewing this as a 17-25 street opening even if he has concerns about the subdivision. Councillor Harris asked Councillor Fowler if he favored the Street opening Councillor Fowler said he was neutral. Chairman Vidal reminded Councillors that the matter that is before the Committee is a 17-25 street opening petition. Councillor Harris moved to hear from an off committee member Mr. Richard Bluestein. The motion was approved on a voice vote. Mr. Bluestein expressed concerns that the approval not required subdivision plan filed for the project used a flawed plan and that no approvals should be granted by the city until this is fixed. Councillor Randy LeBlanc asked questions about the plan and if it was filed with the Registry of Deeds. Councillor LeBlanc moved to hear from the attorney for the petitioner Philip B. McCourt, Jr. Attorney McCourt said that the plan has been approved and that Mr. Bluestein's argument is incorrect. Attorney McCourt said that the petitioner would follow all of the requirements of the ordinance and would complete the work while school is out. Councilor Vidal asked clarifying questions about the location of the excavation. Councilor Fowler asked if the petitioner would use flowable fill and infrared seam treatment. Councillor Vidal asked how long the job would take. Councillor Brasco said he understands Mr. Bluestein's frustration but that we need to follow our standard process in evaluating a street opening petition. Councillor Brasco moved approval. The

motion was approved and the matter was forwarded to the full Council with a recommendation for approval.

17-25 Resurfacing petition Winter Street

Councillor Randy LeBlanc moved to hear from an off committee member Attorney Michael Connors. Attorney Connors said that this opening to complete work that was gifted to the city in order to improve the traffic flow on Winter Street. Councillor Brasco said this would be an improvement for the city and made a motion for approval. The motion was approved on a voice vote and the matter was forwarded to the full council with a recommendation for approval.

Design of Beaver Street Rotary

Councillor Harris moved to hear from an off Committee member Mr. Anthony Cardillo. The motion was approved on a voice vote. Mr. Cardillo said that most people prefer option C. Mr. Cardillo said lights and sprinklers would be installed. Mr. Cardillo said there would be a sign welcoming people to Waltham. Councillor Brasco moved approval of an order recommending option c. The motion was approved and the matter was forwarded to the full Council with a recommendation for approval.

Betterments Brennan, Mountain, Crestview and Midland

Councilor Brasco recused himself from the matter. Councillor LeBlanc moved to lay the matter on the table. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Tabled Matters

Moody Street Parking

Councillor Randy LeBlanc moved to take the matter from the table. The motion was approved on a voice vote. Councillor Randy LeBlanc moved to hear from Traffic Engineer Michael Garvin. The motion was approved on voice vote. Councillor. Mr. Garvin suggested a survey was needed to determine the ownership of some of the spaces at the end of the lot. Councillor Randy LeBlanc moved to request that the Traffic Commission obtain a survey. The motion was approved on a voice vote. Councillor LeBlanc moved to lay the matter on the table. The motion was approved on voice vote.

Councilor Harris moved to adjourn. The motion was approved and the Committee Adjourned at 5:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph W. Vizard, Assistant City Clerk