Long Term Debt Committee November 21, 2016 Minutes of the Meeting

Attendance

Councillor Darcy Present
Councillor Fowler Present
Councillor McMenimen Absent
Councillor Vidal Absent
Chairman Waddick Present

Chairman Waddick called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Councilor Fowler moved approval of the November 7, 2016 minutes. Motion was adopted on a voice vote.

 Resolution Councillor Waddick – Sewer back-ups on Valley View Road & Oakley Lane.

Councillor Fowler moved to hear from an off committee member. Motion was adopted on a voice vote. City Engineer Stephen Casazza appeared before the committee. Chairman Waddick gave a brief presentation summarizing his prior request for funding to upgrade the sewer infrastructure in this area. Chairman Waddick also spoke on behalf on the residence that were in attendance sharing their concern and frustration for the amount of time this process has taken. Mr. Casazza said in March of this year maintenance was performed on the Beaver Street line. In May of this year he received funding for a design study which is at this point is seventy five percent completed. To date his department has also found debris that may be causing flow issues in a certain areas of the line. Mr. Casazza said he is also reviewing area 5A, which runs from the Pigeon Hill area, to see how that flow is impacting the capacity on the low level. Mr. Casazza said when the design study is completed it will help him determine the extent of infrastructure improvements that are needed. Chairman Waddick asked about the Valley View section of Sewage capacity that flows out to Lyman Street. Mr. Casazza said the capacity is that area is sufficient; however, portions of the mains the sewer mains on Lyman and Beaver do need to be relined. Chairman Waddick asked if the Engineering Department had funds for this project, and when would this project be put out to bid. Mr. Casazza said he would request the funding, and would anticipate it would be ready to go out to bid this winter. Mr. Casazza said he estimates the sewer cost of \$ 576,000 and I/I removal costs of \$ 832,000.

Chairman Waddick communicated the frustration of the neighbors that were in attendance. Specifically, raw sewage backing up in their households, flooding, and new houses being added to the system that already has capacity issues. Mr. Casazza displayed a plan which depicted how the Beaver Street sewer main will be connected to the Lyman Street main to divert the heavy flow that is currently contributing to the sewer back-ups on Valley View and Oakley. The diversion of the heavy flow should alleviate the chronic back-ups that have been experienced by the residents of the area. Chairman Waddick asked about the timing of the funding request. Mr. Casazza said he expects to have the final design plans by the beginning of 2017, and then he will ask for funding. So, he plan of requested the funding in the spring of 2017. Councillor Fowler moved to table the resolution. Motion was adopted on a voice vote.

2. The Mayor respectfully requests funding in the amount of \$670,000 to purchase equipment for the CPW Department.

Councillor Fowler moved to hear from an off committee member. Motion was adopted on a voice vote. City CPW Director Michael Chiasson appeared before the committee. Mr. Chiasson said this equipment will be used by his department for winter / snow services. Councillor Fowler asked if this is sufficient. Mr. Chiasson said it was a good start. Councillor Fowler moved approval of the transfer for \$ 115,000. Motion was adopted on a voice vote.

Councillor Fowler moved to adjourn. Motion was adopted on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted, Thomas J Magno - Clerk