CITY OF NORWICH
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

March 18, 2020

TO: City Clerk
FROM: Director of Public Works
FILE #: PWD 034-20

SUBJECT: MINUTES OF PUBLIC WORKS & CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE - DRAFT

A meeting of the Public Works and Capital Improvements Committee was held on Monday, March 16, 2020 in the conference room at the Public Works Headquarters, 50 Clinton Avenue. Attendance was as follows:

Committee Members
Alderman Stacy Gould
Alderman Joseph DeLucia

Administration
Patrick McLaughlin, Director
Nicole Doyle, Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The meeting minutes of the January 21, 2020 meeting were unanimously approved. (Motion: Gould, Second: DeLucia)

3. CITIZEN COMMENT - None

4. OLD BUSINESS
A. Public Works Projects Updates
   • Sherman Street Bridge – authorized to begin final design.
   • Sunnyside Bridge – executed contract with Mattern Construction and gave the Notice to Proceed for April 13, 2020.
   • Annual Paving – expected to start in late April.
   • Dunham Street – expected to send out to bid soon.
   • Franklin Square Roundabout – had good feedback from the Public Information meeting.
   • Capital Sidewalk Project – expected to start in the Spring.
   • Mohegan Park Bathrooms – under construction.
   • Howard T Brown Park – paving expected to begin late April or early May 2020.
   • Veterans WWI Park in Taftville – McLaughlin met with Veterans to discuss improvements and applied for block grant.

B. Property Disposition
   • 36 Huntington Ave – Gould said the Dangerous Buildings Board of Review will pass on this property due to poor condition.
• 98 Washington Street – City recently acquired through foreclosure. Planning & Development looking into what historic tax credits are available to a potential developer.
• 21 Fairmount Street – Dangerous Buildings Board of Review will be considering options for the property. A boundary survey of the property has been completed.

5. NEW BUSINESS
   A. Downtown Pedestrian Safety
      • DeLucia recapped information discussed in the Strategic Planning meeting regarding ideas to make downtown safer for pedestrians. McLaughlin is coordinating a meeting with the DOT to discuss ideas for the Route 2 / Harbor area.
   B. 2020 LOTCJP Application
      • McLaughlin reported on the progress of the joint application with Montville to resurface New London Tpke. and add sidewalks in areas where there are none. The application deadline has been moved to the beginning of April.
   C. SCRRRA Updates
      • McLaughlin gave the following updates from SCRRRA: no increase in tipping fee, transition of bringing trash to Lisbon, pilot program for composting of institutional food waste is being discussed, and curbside collection of clothing donations starting in Stonington.

6. OTHER BUSINESS – None

7. ADJOURNMENT
   The meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m. by unanimous vote. (Motion: Gould, Second: DeLucia)

[Signature]

Patrick J. McLaughlin, P.E.
Director of Public Works

Committee Members:
Alderwoman Joseph DeLucia (Chair), Alderwoman Stacy Gould, Alderman Derell Wilson
Mayor and Members of the City Council, City Manager, City Planner