



Regular Meeting
PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

Minutes

Thursday, October 4, 2016

Corporation Yard, 1326 Allston Way, Berkeley, CA
Willow Room

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 pm
Present: Dominguez, Elstrand, Freiberg, Henry, Kelley, Schueler, Smith, Swift, Yep
Absent: None
Staff: Tracy Clay, Martin Querin

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 1, 2016 were approved with the following amendments:

- Modify Action item 2, infrastructure and facilities bond, motion 1 to “authorize holding up to 12 special meetings”.
- Modify Action item 2, infrastructure and facilities bond, motion 2 to have the members be “Freiberg, Kelley, Henry, and Smith”.

CHAIR REPORT:

- Kelley reported that he met with the associated department heads regarding the proposed Measure T1.
- Schueler reported that she wrote a report to Council regarding the renaming of Bret Harte Lane.
- Yep suggested agendaizing the curbside electric vehicle charging pilot project to a future meeting.
- Yep suggested discussing the date for the December retreat.

STAFF REPORT:

- Don Irby is now the manager of all construction work.
- Jordan Klein wants to meet with the PWC to discuss the Telegraph Avenue Public Realm plan.

PRESENTATION: None

ACTION ITEMS:

1. 5 Year Paving Plan
 - A. Querin and Clay presented PowerPoint slides with a status update on the 5 year paving plan. The information included cost information on 2016 surface seal work, cost information on 2016 reconstruction and overlay work, funding and miles paved trends, StreetSaver analysis, and other

information. Observations by Querin included: soft costs are higher, costs include sidewalk and storm drain repairs, slurry seal was incorrectly selected for streets with low PCI, etc.

- Schueler asked why there is base repair on slurry seal projects? Are we selecting the wrong street treatment?
 - Henry asked that we hold consultants accountable for their work. He also suggested that if we are going to use 40 year bonds for street paving then we need a to develop a 40 year street paving plan for those streets.
 - Yep commented that we need to be accountable for the performance of Measure M. He also said that we do not yet have a staff recommendation for a 5 year paving plan.
- B. Querin and Clay presented a schedule for completing the 5 year paving plan and an outline for a paving plan report. Their proposal is to have the City Council approve the plan in March 2017. Querin said that street improvement work is back logged and that the FY16 and FY17 projects were previously approved and will be conducted in FY18. A paving sub-committee meeting will be scheduled toward the end of October.
2. City Council referral on surface seal treatments
- A. Querin and Clay presented PowerPoint slides on pavement treatment options. There was limited time for discussion and no decisions were made.
3. Infrastructure and Facilities Bond
- A. Staff is thinking about conducting the work in three phases. The seismic work at the senior centers is a priority.
- B. Sub-committees of the 3 primary commissions need to meet in November. Staff is targeting to have the City Council approve the priority projects in March 2017.
- C. Yep suggested that we need to learn from Measure M and that the new program needs to prepare a Program Plan.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Yep reported that the Infrastructure and Facilities Bond sub-committee met on September 12, 2016. The meeting notes were included in this meeting packet. The sub-committee recommended that holding additional full commission meetings is pre-mature and that we monitor the progress with the Public Works Department.
2. Yep reported that the Utility Undergrounding sub-committee met on September 22, 2016. The meeting notes were included with this meeting packet. Yep informed the commission that a status update is being prepared for the December 13, 2016 City Council meeting. Ken Emeziem informed the sub-committee that the report needs to be routed by October 27, 2016. With this schedule, the commission approved the sub-committee to submit the report without bringing the report to the full commission for approval.

FUTURE AGENDAS: Not discussed.

ADJOURN: 10:00 pm