



## Citizens Streets Advisory Commission

Tuesday, June 20, 2006

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Street Department Conference Room, 901 North Nelson

### **Commission members present:**

Dallas Hawkins  
Kathy Miotke  
Stan Stirling  
Donna Jilbert  
Max Kuney  
Phil Barto  
Hal Ellis- liaison to Community Assembly

### **Staff members present:**

Dave Mandyke, Interim Director, Public Works & Utilities  
Tom Arnold, Director, Engineering Services  
Scott Egger, Director, Streets Department  
Karen Terpak, Associate Engineer, Engineering Services  
Staci Lehman, Public Information Coordinator, Engineering Services

## **I. Introductions**

Dallas Hawkins called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m. and introduced Hal Ellis, who will serve as the liaison to the CSAC from the Community Assembly.

## **II. Review & Approval of Minutes of March, April and May meetings**

In the review of the March 2006 minutes, Kathy Miotke asked if Austin Road is a minor arterial. Mr. Egger checked on the road and said it is actually a neighborhood collector arterial. Tom Arnold asked Staci Lehman to correct the minutes from the March 2006 meeting to reflect the appropriate name. Ms. Miotke asked how Austin would be paved from curb to curb if there are no existing curbs. Tom Arnold explained that Austin Road would not be funded by just the 2004 Street Bond, which requires curb to curb paving, but would be an LID, which includes curbs and sidewalks as part of the project.

Stan Stirling moved to approve the March 2006 minutes with the change. Ms. Miotke seconded. No one was opposed.

In the April 18 minutes Ms. Miotke asked about the 'perpetual pavement model' (PPM). Scott Egger explained that 'PPM' is vernacular for building the street deep enough that it can be ground down and sealed when needed, with enough depth left to stretch out the life of the road.

Max Kuney motioned to approve the minutes of the April 18 meeting with Clay Shuman seconding. No one was opposed.

On the May 16 meeting minutes Ms. Miotke asked if the Bernard Street project was going to go ahead whether the trees were removed or not. Mr. Arnold explained that there are two separate contracts on that project, one for the road and one for tree removal. Right now the City is proceeding with both.

Mr. Stirling moved to approve the minutes from May 16 and Mr. Schueman seconded. No one was opposed.

### **III. Update on Street Projects**

Mr. Arnold said the 'G' Street project is 30% complete and moving along well. The south side of the intersection of 29<sup>th</sup> and Southeast is closed in order to complete the concrete intersection. The 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue project started this week and will overlap with the 29<sup>th</sup> project by a few weeks. Freya is going well, except for a rain delay. 29<sup>th</sup> and Haven also had rain delays. The Haven project is completely paved but not striped yet.

Mr. Arnold told CSAC members that a large LID between 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> and Rebecca and Havana had been expanded. The price for the district went from \$1 million to \$3 million, increasing the subsidy from the Street Bond to \$1 million. To date, over \$2 million of the \$10 million available for LIDs from the Street Bond fund has been obligated. Ms. Lehman handed out a database of running LID totals.

Max Kuney moved to approve the increased Bond expenditure due to the expansion. Ms. Miotke seconded. No one was opposed.

Mr. Egger said there has been a 7.5% inflation growth per year. Asphalt costs increased about 30% from last year. Mr. Egger would like to go back through the Bond project list and re-compute every project to use as the new control budget.

### **IV. Request for Funds Recap**

Mr. Arnold recapped a request from last month for Utility Match funds for phase one of the Northeast Transmission main. He asked for Bond funds to replace the entire street instead of just half the street. Mr. Stirling moved to approve the request and Mr. Schueman seconded. No one was opposed.

### **V. Southeast Boulevard Schedule Revision Recap**

Associate Engineer Karen Terpak filled in for Ken Brown to recap the Southeast Boulevard Schedule Revision request. She asked for approval to move phases two and three of the project ahead to 2007/2008 from the original date of 2010/2011. The proposed schedule revision would space out the amount of construction in one area, making it easier for drivers to navigate through south Spokane. Costs associated with the project have already been approved, so the only difference would be a reorganization of the project time table. Mr. Stirling moved to approve the request with Ms. Miotke seconding. No one was opposed.

### **VI. Review of 2007/2008 Projects**

This item was deferred to the July 2006 meeting due to a lack of available information at this time.

### **VII. LID Update**

This item was skipped as Ms. Lehman handed out a running total of LID projects earlier in the meeting.

### **VIII. Street Bond Brochure**

Ms. Lehman presented the latest draft of a Street Bond brochure she has been working on and went over the changes. Mr. Ellis said that the brochure is very professional and the public perception may be that funds are being taken away from paving streets to pay for brochure printing. Mr. Hawkins said he believes the brochures are important because it is the responsibility of the Commission to educate the public on how Bond money is spent. Mr. Ellis suggested printing the brochures in black and

white. Ms. Lehman said she would check on it.

#### **IV. Policies Update**

Ms. Lehman went through the CSAC policy report and changes she made at the request of Design Engineer Gary Nelson. Mr. Hawkins and others expressed the opinion that the policy report should be ready to print. Mr. Arnold asked Ms. Lehman to wait until Monday to print in order to give the Commission a few days to submit any last minute changes. It was decided that the report will be presented to the City Council on July 10 at the same time as the CSAC mid-year report.

#### **X. Council Report Update**

Ms. Lehman announced that she would be leaving the City at the end of the month to accept another position, which leaves very little time to produce a mid-year CSAC report. As she is not sure she can get all the numbers for 2006 projects in time, CSAC members decided to change the scope of the report and include summaries of 2005 project costs if possible, but not worry about the price tag to date on 2006 projects, unless those numbers are readily available.

Mr. Hawkins asked if it will be an issue in future years to get information in time for the July report. Mr. Arnold said he doesn't believe it will be. Mr. Hawkins suggested including any final numbers for 2005 in the upcoming report, as well as emphasizing the utility match program, the LID program, advanced projects and a brief summary of what projects are under construction this year. Mr. Hawkins said he would be willing to do the Council presentation.

#### **XI. Other Business**

Phil Barto showed up for the meeting at this point.

Mr. Arnold told the Commissioners that Ken Brown has moved to the Construction Management office as the Principal Engineer to replace Jim Laughtland. A replacement will be hired and Commission members will be kept up to date on the hiring process.

#### **XII. Adjournment**

Mr. Hawkins adjourned the meeting at 2:30.