



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Draft Public Works and Services Committee

*Chairman Gregory Holding, Vice Chair Ronald D. Hart, Alderman Sandy Weidner,
Alderman Jeff Coe, Alderman Raymond DeHahn*

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 301

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Members Present: Ald. Gregory Holding, 11th District, Chairman; Ald. Ron Hart, 14th District; Ald. Sandy Weidner, 6th District; Ald. Jeff Coe, 1st District; Ald. Ray DeHahn, 7th District;

Staff: Nick Becker

Others: Ryan Farnsworth

Approval of Minutes for the February 24, 2009 Meeting.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by Coe, the minutes were approved as printed.

1. [09-3245](#)

Subject: Communication from the Greater Racine Kennel Club, Inc. (GRKC) requesting the use of the parking area along Pershing Park Drive during the All Breed Dog Show on August 9-10, 2009. (Res.09-1289)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee

on 3-10-09: That the Greater Racine Kennel Club be granted permission to lease the gravel parking area north of the skateboard park north to the Pershing Park football field for the parking of recreational vehicles in conjunction with the American Kennel Club's All Breed Dog Show, in exchange for policing the area of all garbage, debris and trash generated during the weekend of Saturday, August 8, 2009, through Monday, August 10, 2009.

Fiscal Note: Not applicable.

Rick read the request and noted the conditions from the 2008 event and made a recommendation to approve the same.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by Coe, the Committee approved the request.

Recommended For Approval

2. [09-3278](#)

Subject: Communication from the Executive Director of the Big Fish Bash requesting to use the turn-arounds at Festival Park for parking during the Big Fish Bash on July 16-19, 2009. (Res.09-1290)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee

on 3-10-09: That Big Fish Bash be granted permission to close 5th Street from the Civic Center Parking Ramp to Festival Park Drive, Festival Park Drive from Fifth Street to Sam Johnson Parkway, and the turnaround adjacent to Christopher Columbus Causeway, on July 16-19, 2009, in accordance with their request.

Further recommends that permission be granted with the following stipulations:

- A. A hold harmless agreement be executed.
- B. A liability insurance certificate be filed prior to this event.
- C. Any overtime costs incurred by any City department be charged to the sponsor.
- D. The sponsor shall notify all abutting property owners seventy-two (72) hours in advance of this event.
- E. The sponsor shall pay a \$250.00 special event fee.

Further recommends that the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer and Chief of Police provide limited assistance, in the interest of public safety, to implement this event.

Fiscal Note: There will be nominal costs to various City departments, on a regular shift basis, to assist in implementing this event.

Rick noted the request has two issues; the first is the turn-around on Fourth Street, which is not problematic, which can be approved, the second is the turn-around on Fifth Street. The one on Fifth Street presents problems, they would need to close Fifth Street east of the parking ramp and Festival Park Drive to Sam Johnson Parkway for a \$250 fee. There are vehicle conflicts when the turn-around is closed.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by Coe, the Committee approved the request subject to the usual stipulations.

Recommended For Approval

3. [09-3292](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from A & E Incorporated requesting permission to place private communication lines in public right-of-way at 5420 Twentyfirst Street.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee

on 3-10-09: Defer

Rick read a letter indicating A & E had sold the property to Goodwill Industries and noted the request. There was an agreement from 1997 from Eckmann Pressed Metals at the time and Rick read the stipulations from that agreement. Ryan Farnsworth appeared and indicated the permission for the right-of-way may not be

needed because they are currently negotiating for an easement on the Goodwill property. If that falls through, he would need to return to the Committee.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee deferred the item.

Deferred

4. [09-3301](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Purchasing Agent submitting bids for two (2) Three Wheel Broom Type Street Sweepers. (Res.09-1291)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 3-10-09: That the contract for Two (2) Three Wheel Broom Type Street Sweepers be awarded to Bruce Municipal Equipment, at their bid price of \$295,920.00 with trade-ins.

Bruce Municipal Equipment was the only bidder to meet all specifications and providing equipment which will provide the least long term operating cost to the City of Racine.

Further recommends that funding to defray the cost of these services be appropriated from Account 101.000.5790, Unlicensed Vehicles-Solid Waste Utilities.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available as herein delineated.

Rick read the bids from the Purchasing Agent and noted the recommendation is for Elgin sweepers from Bruce Municipal Equipment. Even though their bid price is slightly higher than a competitor he deferred to Nick Becker for an explanation. Nick noted the operating cost over the life of the sweeper was much higher than the low bid sweeper. He noted the age of the sweepers the City is turning in and the success we have had with the Elgin sweepers.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee approved the purchase from Bruce Equipment.

Recommended For Award of Bid

5. [09-3283](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer submitting a request for final payment on Contract 14-08 (K8-015), Street Paving, John's Concrete, contractor. (Res.09-1292)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 3-10-09: The work done by John's Concrete, Inc. under Contract 14-08 (K8-015), Street Paving, be accepted and final payment authorized for a total contract amount of \$409,548.07.

Fiscal Note: Contract was authorized under Resolution No. 08-0730, dated April 2, 2008.

Rick explained the contractor has satisfactorily completed the work and is requesting final payment in the amount of \$409,548.07.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee approved final payment.

Recommended For Approval

6. [09-3306](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer submitting a request for final payment on Contract 46-08 (K8-054), Victorian Drive Stormwater Drainage Improvements, G.B. Johnson Company, Inc., contractor. (Res.1293)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee

on 3-10-09: The work done by G.B. Johnson Company, Inc. under Contract 46-08 (K8-054), Victorian Drive Stormwater Drainage Improvements, be accepted and final payment authorized for a total contract amount of \$148,793.90.

Fiscal Note: Contract was authorized under Resolution No. 08-0928, dated July 15, 2008.

John explained the contractor has satisfactorily completed the work and is requesting final payment in the amount of \$148,793.90.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by Coe, the Committee approved final payment.

Recommended For Approval

7. [09-3307](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer submitting a request to reduce the retainage on Contract 2-08 (K8-002), Belle Urban System Administrative Office Expansion, Absolute Construction Enterprises, Inc., contractor. (Res.09-1294)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee

on 3-10-09: That the request of the contractor to reduce the retainage on Contract 2-08 (K8-002), Belle Urban System Administrative Office Expansion, to 1% of the project cost, or \$4,070.00, be approved.

Fiscal Note: The amount of retainage is sufficient to cover the value of the remainder of the work on this project.

Rick requested the retainage be reduced on this contract.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee approved the reduction in retainage.

Recommended For Approval

8. [09-3302](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works/Operations submitting Change Order

No. 3 on Contract 53-08 (K8-061), City Hall Renovation - Phase II, Absolute Construction Enterprises, Inc., contractor. (Res.09-1295)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 3-10-09: That Change Order No. 3 on Contract 53-08 (K8-061), City Hall Renovation-Phase II, Absolute Construction Enterprises, Inc., contractor, be approved in the amount of \$11,741.00.

Further recommends that funding to defray the cost of this change order be appropriated from Account 988.100.5010, City Hall-Facilities Plan Implementation.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available as herein delineated.

Tom explained the change order is for additional revisions to the contract work.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee approved the change order.

Recommended For Approval

9. [09-3259](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Assistant Commissioner of Public Works/ Engineering submitting Change Order No. 2 on Contract 22-08 (K8-026), 2008 City Resurfacing, A.W. Oakes & Son, contractor.

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 3-31-09: That Change Order No. 2 on Contract 22-08 (K8-026), 2008 City Resurfacing, A. W. Oakes & Son, Inc., contractor, be approved in the deduct amount of \$118,361.25.

Further recommends that the funding accounts be reduced by the following amounts:

\$ 89,733.46 - Account 988.908.5130, Asphalt Resurfacing

\$ 3,340.26 - Account 104.987.5420, Storm Water

\$ 25,287.53 - Account 987.907.5310, Sanitary Sewer

\$118,361.25

Fiscal Note: Change Order No. 2 will result in a decrease in contract price.

John noted liquidated damages had just been resolved earlier in the day with the contractor and requested this change order be deferred.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee deferred the change order.

Deferred

10. [09-3297](#)

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Assistant

Commissioner of Public Works/ Engineering submitting a proposal from AECOM Technical Services for Sanitary Sewer Lateral Fee On-Call Services. (Res.09-1296)

Recommendation of the Public Works and Services Committee on 3-10-09: That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to enter into a professional services agreement with AECOM Technical Services for Sanitary Sewer Lateral Fee On-Call Services, at a price not-to-exceed \$24,500.00.

Further recommends that funds to defray the cost of these professional services be appropriated from Account 287.989.5310, Sanitary Sewer-Miscellaneous Locations.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available as herein delineated.

John explained the proposal is to create a sanitary sewer ordinance for the Utility as well as procedures manual and provide updates to the database.

On a motion by Hart, seconded by DeHahn, the Committee approved the proposal and authorized the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into the agreement.

Recommended For Acceptance as a Professional Services Agreement

Miscellaneous Business

Adjournment

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