

DATE: June 5, 2000
TO: Michael G. Herring, CA
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SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes, PW\Parks 5/31/00

A meeting of the Public Works/Parks Committee began at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 31st, 2000. Councilmembers in attendance were: Chairperson Mary Brown (Ward 4), Councilmember Barry Flachsbart (Ward 1), Councilmember Barry Streeter (Ward 2), Councilmember Mike Casey (Ward 3). Also in attendance were Mayor Nancy Greenwood, Councilmember John Nations (Ward 2), Mike Herring - City Administrator, Mike Geisel - Director of Public Works/City Engineer, Brian McGownd - Deputy Director of Public Works/Assistant City Engineer, Bonnie Hubert - Superintendent of Engineering Operations, Darren Dunkle - Superintendent of Parks, Recreation and Arts. Others in attendance; Robert Dingwald representing the Beautification Committee, Pat Catanzaro and Faith Martens representing the Kiwanis, Scott Flagg and Brian Robinson (Parks interns), Victoria Sherman, and Robert Trame,

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

- 1) **Agenda Item #1: Councilmember Streeter motioned to accept the meeting minutes of the PW\Parks Committee from March 22nd, 2000, as submitted. Councilmember Flachsbart seconded the motion which passed 2 – 0 with Councilmembers Brown and Casey abstaining since they were not on the committee and were not present at the last meeting.**
- 2) **Agenda Item #3: Mr. Dunkle explained that the Kiwanis had submitted a conceptual proposal to place an interactive sculpture in the Central City Park. Mr. Dunkle distributed colored renderings of the proposed artwork which depicted a carnival style monkey grinder with a cart. The artwork would be designed to receive coins as donations. The Kiwanis have proposed that the proceeds from the donations would be split, with half dedicated to maintenance of the artwork and the other half to be used to sponsor the City's DARE program. Mr. Geisel indicated that Staff originally had three concerns, 1) saturation of the park and protection of the open spaces, 2) issues related to allowing solicitations in the park, and 3) the ability of the City to control and differentiate similar proposals from other organizations. Faith Martens, representing the Kiwanis explained that the Kiwanis wanted to get feedback from the City before commissioning the artwork or expending any further funds. The Committee discussed the proposal and requested additional information related to any and all costs to be incurred by the City related to the installation, operation and ongoing maintenance of the artwork. Councilmember Flachsbart expressed concern relative to any artwork that would be designed to collect money. Councilmember Streeter motioned to ask Staff to develop a preliminary policy regarding conditions or criteria that might be used when reviewing artwork donations that are designed to solicit funds or donations. Councilmember Brown seconded the motion, which passed 3 – 1, with Councilmember Flachsbart voting in opposition. Councilmember Streeter motioned to withhold action on the Kiwanis proposal until the next meeting. Councilmember Casey seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 4- 0.**

- 3) **Agenda Item #9:** The Committee discussed the results of the Traffic Calming public opinion survey. Mr. Geisel reminded the Committee that the City originally advised the adjacent residents and subdivision trustees that the City had no interest in maintaining the landscaped islands and would only construct permanent islands if the residents or trustees agreed to maintain them. **Councilmember Flachsbart motioned to direct Staff to review the survey numbers in greater detail and to develop a recommendation regarding which traffic calming features should be removed and which should be retained. Councilmember Streeter seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 4 – 0.**
- 4) **Agenda Item #2:** **Councilmember Brown motioned to designate Councilmember Casey as Vice - Chair of the Public Works\Parks Committee. Councilmember Streeter seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 4 – 0.** After a discussion of potential liaison assignments, **Councilmember Flachsbart motion to make the following committee liaison assignments:**
 - Public Works Citizen Advisory Group – Councilmember Flachsbart**
 - Parks, Recreation and Arts Citizen Advisory Committees – Councilmember Streeter**
 - Public Works Board of Variance – Councilmember Streeter**
 - Citizens for the Environment – Councilmember Casey**
 - Beautification Committee – Councilmember Brown**
 - Chesterfield Arts – Councilmember Casey****Councilmember Streeter seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 4 – 0.**
- 5) **Agenda Item #4:** Councilmember Brown expressed concern that the reconstruction of the Long Road – Highway 40 interchange was not identified on the list of critical priorities for Chesterfield Valley and suggested that the City should consider efforts to encourage and expedite this project. Mr. Herring discussed the potential for development of a Transportation Development District which would allow the voluntary imposition of a ½ cent sales tax in the Chesterfield Valley and that the proceeds would be earmarked for transportation related infrastructure improvements. The Committee also discussed potential funding of a portion of the cost with TIF funds, in order to accelerate the priority of the project. **Councilmember Casey motioned to have Staff review and report back to the Committee regarding the availability of TIF funds for this improvement, what other projects might be sacrificed if this project were to be funded, and what is the amount of TIF funds currently obligated in relation to the value of the original TIF plan. Councilmember Brown seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 4 – 0.**
- 6) **Agenda Item #5:** Mr. Geisel explained that there was some confusion as to the City’s policy as it relates to asphalt overlays and the involvement of the specific subdivision trustees in the street repair decision making process. After discussion, the Committee re-affirmed the City Council’s desire to construct concrete streets and instructed Staff to consider this when developing street maintenance schedules. Asphalt overlays are not to be placed on concrete street surfaces. Asphalt overlays may be used on existing full depth concrete streets or asphalt streets, as needed, and when required to maintain pavements in the most cost efficient manner.

When funding permits the full reconstruction of existing asphalt streets, or existing concrete streets with asphalt overlays, Trustees should be consulted to determine if they would prefer conversion to concrete streets, even if it meant delays in further maintenance. The Committee recognized that it will take many years to convert existing asphalt streets to concrete and that it may be necessary to overlay these streets in the interim until the conversions could be completed.

- 7) **Agenda Item #6:** Ms. Hubert explained that the residents on Tulleytown Drive have petitioned the City to officially re-name their street to Tulleytown Court. Ms. Hubert explained that due to a platting error, there were inconsistencies in the mailing addresses and the record plat. **Councilmember Streeter motioned to recommend renaming Tulleytown Drive to Tulleytown Court, as recommended in Ms. Hubert's memorandum dated May 17th, 2000 and as unanimously requested by the adjacent residents. Councilmember Flachsbart seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 4 – 0.** An ordinance will be forwarded to the full City Council for review and approval.
- 8) **Agenda Item #7:** Mr. Geisel explained to the Committee that the PWCAG had been requested to review the appropriateness of the street striping on Clarkson Woods and the striping of 38' wide asphalt streets in general. The PWCAG had recommended that all 38 foot wide streets be striped with the double yellow centerline stripe. The dissenters on the PWCAG had written a letter re-affirming their support of striping, but they were uncertain whether or not the double yellow line was the appropriate stripe. Mr. Geisel explained that according to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, as well as the AASHTO design manual, the double yellow stripe was the correct striping application. Mr. Geisel also explained to the Committee that the City's traffic ordinance specified the City Engineer as the designated individual who is uniquely responsible for designating the location of street striping, and the type of striping that is required. The Committee received and filed the recommendation from the PWCAG and asked Mr. Geisel to consider their recommendation when determining striping requirements on the 38' wide asphalt streets.
- 9) **Agenda Item #8:** Councilmember Streeter explained to the Committee that he had attended Chesterfield Tree Day, an event sponsored by the Public Works Department in conjunction with the Citizens for the Environment. He indicated that this was the second consecutive year that mulch had not been made available to participants. Mr. Geisel explained that several years ago, BFI had provided bagged mulch, which BFI had actually produced. However, there was no contract stipulation that required the City's waste hauler to provide mulch. Further, neither BFI or Midwest Waste produce this product at this time. Mr. Geisel also explained that, in more recent times, the Department of Public Works had been requested by the Citizens for the Environment to have a truckload of mulch available on tree day, and the Department actually purchased this material for the event. There was no such request by the Citizens for the Environment for the 2000 event. Councilmember Streeter motioned to authorize the Department of Public Works to purchase and provide up to two truck loads of mulch annually for future tree day celebrations. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Brown, but failed by a vote of 2 – 2, Councilmembers Flachsbart and Casey voting in opposition.
- 10) **Agenda Item #11:** Mr. Dunkle advised the Committee that the City had previously sponsored

- employee sports teams in conjunction with the City's wellness program and recommended that the City authorize the use of up to \$1,000 annually to sponsor employee sports teams as a non-work activity. **Councilmember Flachsbart motioned to recommend the sponsorship of employee sports teams in accordance with the Department of Public Works recommendation dated May 26th, 2000. Councilmember Casey seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 4 – 0.**
- 11) **Agenda Item #10:** Mr. Dunkle advised the Committee that the CCA had offered to donate 5 pitching machines to the City. In turn, the City would maintain, set-up, operate, and offer these devices for rental in conjunction with the operation of the Athletic Complex. **Councilmember Streeter motioned to accept the CCA's offer to donate the pitching machines. Councilmember Flachsbart seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 4 – 0.**
- 12) **Agenda item 12:** Mr. Geisel advised the Committee that the Monarch-Chesterfield Levee District had drafted a proposed change to the grading ordinance which would require the Levee District's review and approval of grading related activities within 2000 feet of the levee protected area. Mr. Geisel indicated that he had received the request only last week and forwarded a copy of the proposed ordinance to City Attorney, Doug Beach. Mr. Beach had not yet been able to respond. Further, Mr. Geisel indicated that the Department of Public Works would suggest some minor revisions to the proposed ordinance as well. However, given the pace of development in the Valley, he wanted the Committee to be aware of the ordinance proposal so it could be expedited once the minor revisions had been incorporated into the proposed ordinance. **Councilmember Flachsbart motioned to forward the proposed ordinance directly to City Council once the City Attorney and Staff were comfortable with its composition. Councilmember Casey seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 4 – 0.**
- 13) **Agenda Item # 14:** The Committee discussed potential changes to the pool fees charged to residents and relatives of residents. After a thorough discussion, the group decided to make no changes to the current policy.
- 14) **The Committee discussed the time and date of the next meeting and agreed upon 5:30 p.m., on July 19th.**
- 15) Councilmember Flachsbart motioned to enter executive session to discuss personnel matters pursuant to RSMo 610.021. Councilmember Casey seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken. Councilmember Flachsbarthe, aye; Councilmember Casey, aye; Councilmember Streeter, aye; Councilmember Brown, aye. The motion to enter executive passed unanimously at 7:15 p.m.
- 16) The Committee re-convened the regular meeting at 7:27 p.m.. Councilmember Flachsbart motioned to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Streeter seconded the motion which passed unanimously, 4 – 0, and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.
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