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The City of Clovis Public Works Committee met in regular session at 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, August 2, 2017 in the Police Department Conference Room in full conformity with the laws of the State of New Mexico and the ordinances and resolutions of said city with the following members present:

Mayor David Lansford, Chairman  
Commissioner Fidel Madrid, District 3  
Commissioner Chris Bryant, District 4  
Mr. Clint Bunch, Public Works Director  
Mr. Tom Phelps, Interim City Manager  
Mr. George Jones, District 1  
Mr. Russ Backoff, District 2

ABSENT:

Commissioner Gary Elliott, District 2  
Mr. Cliff Kuchta, District 4  
Mr. John King, Clovis Schools

ALSO PRESENT:

Ms. Vicki Reyes, Administration  
Mr. Bill Kshir, Public Works  
Mr. Durwood Billington, Public Works

Mayor Lansford called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. and established the presence of a quorum.

**Agenda Item No. 3 - Approval of Public Works/Water Policy minutes of May 9, 2017**

Commissioner Bryant made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2017 Public Works/ Water Policy minutes contingent upon the Water Policy Advisory Committee approving the minutes; Mr. Jones seconded the motion, which passed by acclamation.

**Agenda Item No. 4 - Approval of minutes of May 24, 2017**

Mr. Backoff made a motion to approve the minutes of May 24, 2017 as presented; Commissioner Bryant seconded the motion, which passed by acclamation.

**Agenda Item No. 5 - Discussion and recommendation regarding the scope of work for the engineering services for the sewer line relocation for Hwy 60/70/84**

Mr. Bunch stated the reconstruction of 60/84 from Wheaton to Prince will begin in 2021. They are in the design process right now and HDR is doing this for the state. They contacted Mr. Bunch about doing the sewer line relocations for the project. The committee has a copy of the scope of proposal from HDR. This shows any conflict that will help the city decide what possibilities they have with the sewer line. It will cost around \$59,000 to do an assessment of that section. There are 34 crossings in that area. He would like to keep this all in house with one firm.

Mayor Lansford stated this is an excellent recommendation. Mr. Bunch stated once they find all of the conflicts then there will be a scope for the engineering services next year. Mr. Phelps asked where the

money was coming from. Mr. Bunch stated the wastewater reserves has \$3.5 million, so that's where they plan to take the money from.

Mr. Billington stated at the minimum they will have to be replaced with PVC and concrete incased. Mayor Lansford stated this is one of the biggest projects they have done in decades. They need to be certain they are doing this right.

Commissioner Madrid made a motion to recommend the city commission appropriate funds to begin the scope of work; Mr. Jones seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, with all voting in the affirmative, the motion carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item No. 6 - Update regarding the Drainage Master Plan**

Mr. Bunch stated Molzen Corbin Engineering are back on track and he has a preliminary drainage master plan that they are reviewing. He has concerns with the Ghaffari Pond, but they are discussing that now. He told them they need to discuss the Echols/Purdue area as well. They believe the flooding was caused by the extra development. Lydick Engineering's assessment is that they will have to put in some drop inlets and run them underground to get the water to Dennis Chavez. Mayor Lansford stated this will be a several thousand dollar project to get this corrected.

Mr. Phelps stated they also spoke about the FEMA Flood Insurance and they may be able to eliminate some areas that are currently paying flood insurance.

**Agenda Item No. 7 - Discussion and recommendation regarding the cheeseplant effluent pilot project**

Mr. Bunch stated Mr. Billington, Mr. Daniel Maes and himself toured the plant 2 months ago. They want to get the water to the city. Mr. Billington has come up with a couple of ideas for this. There will be some cost involved with getting this pilot program started, but may be able to be done through their budget. It will take some extra pipeline above ground.

Mr. Billington stated he has been doing a lot of research and the max phosphorus that can be removed is 40% without chemical addition. They may be able to handle a million gallons from Southwest Cheese, but, it all depends on where and how much is going down the reuse line. Estimates are showing around \$100,000 to start the pilot project. He needs sampling equipment and flow meters so that they can watch this closely. They will need a contractor to come in from Albuquerque to tie them into the existing HTPE pipe.

Mr. Billington stated he has concerns at the WWTP because they have an air ratio system that is not reliable. Twice year they have to put in diffusers and they cost \$70,000 each time. Once he starts Southwest Cheese water they cannot have any interruptions. Mayor Lansford asked how many diffusers there are in total. Mr. Billington stated there are 3,600 per basin. The best chance of making this succeed is to have a system that won't go down.

Mr. Billington stated the first issue they are going to have is with the ponds. They would like to close the north side of the pond. Mr. Phelps asked they would be able to handle all of Southwest Cheese's water. Mr. Billington stated it would depend.

Commissioner Bryant asked Mr. Billington what his recommendation was on the diffusers. Mr. Billington stated he would like to get some quotes and bring it back to this committee.

## **Agenda Item No. 8 - Update on current projects**

### City Update

Mr. Kshir stated the 7<sup>th</sup> Street design is at 99% complete, which is the same as the wastewater reuse project.

Commissioner Bryant asked for an update on the irrigation at Hillcrest. Mr. Bunch stated when the rescuers got into the pond they stirred up dirt from the bottom. As precaution they drained the pond into Ingram Pond. They are waiting of Parks to complete their sprinkler line system upgrades. There is a meeting scheduled with Mr. Phelps, Mr. Dayhoff and himself to discuss filling in pond. At this time there will be no water in the pond.

### Clovis Municipal Schools Update

Mr. King was not present to give to the update.

## **Agenda Item No. 9 - For the good of the order**

Mr. Jack Bouter, Oakhurst, has had some issues with utility trailers in his neighborhood. Mr. Bouter, 1309 Oakhurst Rd, stated across from him are three trailers loaded with refuse and junk. One trailer belongs to his lawnmower business. He has been dealing with the problem for 2-3 years. He has worked with the Police Department and Code Compliance. Two of the trailers are licensed and two are not.

Mr. Bouter stated he has researched the city codes and he has a solution to this problem. He would like to declare this a public nuisance as defined in chapter 8.08.01010 in section b paragraph 2. That could be used to have him remove the trailers. He has spoken with Marcus Brice and was told there are regulations that cover recreational vehicles but there are no codes to cover other trailers. He made a draft ordinance.

Mayor Lansford stated he is embarrassed that this problem hasn't been fixed. The current ordinance is more than adequate to remediate this problem. This is one example of many. This is unacceptable and needs to be called out and go to court.

Commissioner Bryant asked if this would fall under code compliance or the police department. Mayor Lansford stated this is gross disrespect for the community and neighbors. They need to write a citation, but he does not manage city employees. Mr. Phelps stated he was not familiar with the specific ordinance, but he will get familiar with it and this will be taken care of.

Mayor Lansford stated they need to start writing citations. They are getting no where with sending certified letters.

### 21st and Cameo crosswalk

Commissioner Madrid stated on 21<sup>st</sup> and Cameo there is a crosswalk and traffic does not slow down there. He asked if the crosswalk should come out or if there is a way to fix that problem. Mr. Bunch stated they will take a look at it and bring it back to this committee if they have any recommendations.

Mr. Bunch stated the pheasant run subdivision is planning to build 100 more homes. They are going to have to set up a sewer line system and there is a possibility of putting in a lift station in at the developers cost. That will be a future agenda item. Mr. Billington stated he did not know if it was possible to ask for a specific type of lift station. Mayor Lansford stated they could possibly require a specific quality. He asked if Mark Carpenter was aware of the city wanting a specific lift station. Mr. Billington stated he did tell Mr. Carpenter what he would like to see.

Mayor Lansford stated the next meeting would be at 8:30 a.m., August 23rd.

**Agenda Item No. 10 - Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the committee the meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.