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CITY OF CLOVIS) ss.

The City of Clovis Public Works Committee met in regular session at 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, February 23, 2022 in the North Annex, Clovis-Carver Library, 701 N. Main 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 Pro Tem Chris Bryant, District 4
Commissioner Lauren Rowley, District 2 (for
Commissioner Elliott)
Commissioner Fidel Madrid, District 3
Mr. Randy Petty, District 4
Mr. Gene Porter, District 2
Mr. George Jones, District 1
Mr. Cliff Martin, District 3
Commissioner James Burns, District 1

EX-OFFICIO PRESENT:

Mr. Justin Howalt, City Manager
Mr. Clint Buch, Public Works Director

EX-OFFICIO ABSENT

Mr. John King, Clovis Municipal Schools

ALSO PRESENT:

Mr. Bill Kshir, Public Works Asst. Director
Ms. Vicki Reyes, Assistant City Clerk

Mayor Pro Tem Bryant called the meeting to order at 8:29 a.m. and established the presence of a quorum.

Agenda Item No. 3 – Approval of minutes December 15, 2021

Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the minutes of December 15, 2021 as presented; Mr. Petty seconded the motion, which passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item No. 4 – Discussion and recommendation regarding the Sugarbeet Road LGRF DOT Project

Mr. Bunch advised they have to have applications in by March 15th. They have looked at Sugarbeet Road next to Cooks Restaurant. The city has an easement that owns a strip from Mabry to the back of the properties. Seven years ago, they did a demo with concrete to make it last longer and they tried a 6-inch unreinforced area which is starting to fail now. They would like to redo this with 8-inch reinforced concrete. The estimates from Nick Griego would be \$358,802.74. They would like to apply for \$400,000 to the state incase prices go up. There is a 25% match that will be \$100,000 out of the general fund.

Commissioner Madrid advised that road has been failing for a while. When they fixed the road 7 years ago, they were told they wouldn't have to worry about it again. Mr. Bunch advised that was the plan, but due to the heavy trucks, weather and the amount of funding they had, what was done was all that was allowed.

Mr. Jones made a motion to recommend approval to the city commission; Mr. Petty seconded the motion, which passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item No. 5 – Discussion regarding upcoming MAP applications

Mr. Bunch advised this was for any arterial roadway in the city limits. They can apply for construction, maintenance or design dollars with this funding. It was approved that if SERPTO received \$30 million, which is the same as last year, for district 2 then \$12.5 million would go to maintenance, \$12.5 million would go to construction and \$5 million would go to design. The city can apply for anyone of those three. He will meet with them again on March 31st and they will decide on a timeline on when to submit the applications. They can apply for principal arterial and minor arterial with these funds.

One area of concern is 21st from Prince to Norris. They have traffic control and speed control issues in that area. If they do that project, they may do a geometric design and make that a two-lane road with a center line similar to Norris. It lessens problems when they go to a two lane with a large turn line and bicycle lanes. Mr. Howalt advised if they start restricting traffic movements then it slows traffic down. They don't need the road from a capacity standpoint. They have received several complaints over the years about 21st Street. Since it is already a long straight roadway they cannot do anything with the horizontal alignment of the roadway, which also helps in slowing traffic down.

Mr. Jones advised his concern is that this is a residential road and the traffic would double on a single lane road. Mr. Howalt advised by having the center left turn lane they would remove the drivers that are trying to go against the flow. They may have to sit a little longer to find a gap in the traffic. Commissioner Burns asked what the process would be to make that decision. Mr. Howalt advised they could do a traffic study and there is a Highway Capacity Manual that they would have to refer to. Commissioner Burns asked if that would be approved by the City Commission. Mr. Howalt advised with that drastic of a change they would hold public meetings first. Commissioner Burns asked if they would widen any of it. Mr. Howalt advised they wouldn't need to.

Commissioner Madrid asked if it would cause confusion added those lanes. Mr. Howalt advised they would drop lanes and going west bound they would split the lanes.

Mr. Howalt advised one scenario they have looked at is putting roundabouts in the intersections. That is something they can put within the middle of the intersection that would not impact drainage and it would force drivers to slow down. He advised they don't use stop signs as speed control so they have to find ways to look at things. Mayor Pro Tem Bryant advised they put in quite a few stops in the residential areas on Plains, Yucca, etc. and it seemed to help.

Mr. Howalt advised they are going to install speed control signs on Gidding. They are sending letters to the property owners that they will be installed in the near future. They will be north of 21st and south of State Street.

Mr. Petty advised he would like to see numbers on 21st Street. There is a lot of traffic and putting it down to a single lane could impact driveways. Mr. Bunch advised they could start getting traffic counts as soon as the weather permits. They agreed to move forward.

Mr. Howalt advised the map they were all given are the eligible roads based off of NMDOT's roadway classification. Mr. Bunch advised this east 21st was just one of the roadways for consideration. Some of the others they have concerns with are Manana between Prince and Main and east Brady from Prince to Norris.

Agenda Item No. 6 – Update on current projects

City Update

7th Street

Souder Miller and Associates are wrapping up the bid plans which should be completed in the next month or so. They hope to start construction in May/June.

Norris Street

They are wrapping up the design on that project and Chad Lydick is doing that for them. As part of that project they will have bid alternates. They are going to add the gaps in the sidewalk.

FEMA

The city submitted revised and proposed floodplain study. They received comments from FEMA and have 90 days to address those comments.

Purdue and Echols

They have scheduled their surveyors to come in closer to the summer. This is a storm drain that would run along Purdue to Echols and eventually Dennis Chavez Park.

Dams

The Dam Safety Bureau wanted the city to develop Emergency Action Plans and Operation Maintenance Manuals for Running Water Draw, Ingram Dam and the WWTP lagoons. The WWTP lagoons should not be looked at as a dam.

Running Water Draw

That dam was not built for the City of Clovis. It was constructed and designed by the Core of Engineers with NRCS to help control flooding that was happening in Texas. CDM Smith is going to develop a scope and fee for that particular dam.

Reuse Phase 1 D

Project is being closed with K Barnett. They had pipes freeze in the elevated storage tank so they are looking at reinforcing that.

Reuse Phase 2

This is still ongoing. K. Barnett is going west down Wilhite Road and should be to Prince Street this week. They will work their way back east from Thornton once that is completed.

MLK

They will make application to the State of New Mexico for the Transportation Project Funds. It is a 95% state funding and 5% local match. Legislators had conversations with the NMDOT Secretary and this is something that he will support.

Llano Storm Drain

Designed and sitting on the shelf.

Commissioner Madrid asked about stop signs on MLK and Grand. Mr. Howalt advised they may put the flashing on the advanced warning sign versus the stop sign. Commissioner Madrid asked when this project would start. Mr. Howalt advised this was a state project and originally had the entire project funded, but went back and redid their cost estimate. From Prince to MLK was \$40 million and on their revised cost estimates it is now a \$60 million project. They are looking into bidding a phase of it in October.

Mayor Pro Tem Brant asked about the fuel remediation on Prince Street. Mr. Howalt advised that was a state led project by the Petroleum Storage Tank Bureau. They are currently installing the extraction wells. The remediation treatment plant will be on the southwest side of the Albertsons parking lot. They will pump the water, will be sent to their treatment plant for the filtration portion and then will be discharged into the city sewer lines. Mr. Bunch advised they were going to pump 20-30 gallons a minute for the next five to seven years. This will all go to the wastewater plant and then put back in the reuse line.

Mayor Pro Tem Bryant asked about the drainage line at the library. Mr. Howalt advised the library parking lot is graded towards the center and it is hard to get a good flow line with asphalt so they have standing water when it rains. They are working with Nick Griego to get a quote on putting in a valley gutter down the center of the parking lot.

Clovis Municipal Schools Update

Mr. King was not present to give the report

Agenda Item No. 7 – For the good of the order

Mayor Pro Tem Bryant advised the next meeting would be at 8:30 a.m., March 23rd, 2022.

Agenda Item No. 8 – Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee the meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.