

**MINUTES
CITY OF ST. CHARLES, IL
GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
CHAIRPERSON RYAN BONGARD
MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023**

1. CALL TO ORDER AT 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Silkaitis, Foulkes, Bongard, Muenz, Gehm, Pietryla, Wirball, Bessner, Weber

Absent: Lencioni

3. ADMINISTRATIVE

4. OMNIBUS VOTE

Items with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine matters and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a council member/citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in normal sequence on the agenda.

Motion by Ald. Muenz, second by Ald. Pietryla to approve the Omnibus vote.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Aldr. Silkaitis; Aldr. Foulkes; Aldr. Muenz; Aldr. Gehm; Aldr. Pietryla; Aldr. Wirball; Aldr. Bessner; Aldr. Weber **Nays:** None. Chairperson Bongard did not vote as chair.

Motion Carried.

5. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

A. Presentation on Bird City Network and Consideration to Approve a Resolution to Authorize the City of St. Charles to Observe October 14, 2023 as World Migratory Bird Day.

Presented by AJ Reineking and Suzi Meyers of the Natural Resources Commission.

Aldr. Wirball thanked Suzi Meyers for her presentation and the Natural Resources Commission for their contribution to the community and he fully supports this request.

Aldr. Pietryla responded he feels the same, and fully supports this request.

Motion by Ald. Muenz, second by Ald. Wirball to approve Item 5.A.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Aldr. Silkaitis; Aldr. Foulkes; Aldr. Muenz; Aldr. Gehm; Aldr. Pietryla; Aldr. Wirball; Aldr. Bessner; Aldr. Weber **Nays;** None. Chairperson Bongard did not vote as chair. **Motion Carried.**

B. Recommendation to approve a Resolution Awarding the Bid for Asphalt Patching Services.

Presented by AJ Reineking.

Aldr. Weber asked when this program would start and Mr. Reineking stated we don't have exact dates yet, but this program is generally completed in September/October.

Chairman Bongard stated neighbors have been noticing more gravel on the roads for filling in holes and asked if that is what we do now; Mr. Reineking stated that is our Total Patching process which is asphalt mixed with pea gravel. We let it sit for 3 to 5 days and go back with the street sweeper to sweep it up. During that time, there is loose gravel, but this is a very effective process.

Motion by Aldr. Pietryla, second by Aldr. Wirball to approve Item 5.B.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Aldr. Silkaitis; Aldr. Foulkes; Aldr. Muenz; Aldr. Gehm; Aldr. Pietryla; Aldr. Wirball; Aldr. Bessner; Aldr. Weber **Nays;** None. Chairperson Bongard did not vote as chair. **Motion Carried.**

C. Recommendation to approve a Resolution Awarding the Bid for a 2-Year Contract for Snow and Ice Removal Services.

Presented by AJ Reineking.

Aldr. Wirball asked how they will access the First Street Plaza to remove snow around the bollards; Mr. Reineking stated they will shovel or use small stand-on machines.

Aldr. Weber asked if these contractors have worked with us previously and Mr. Reineking stated Cornerstone and Skyline and they will have the same routes this year. Aldr. Weber stated he lives in a cul-de-sac and the group that did his route last year did a great job.

Motion by Aldr. Pietryla, second by Aldr. Wirball to approve Item 5.C.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Aldr. Silkaitis; Aldr. Foulkes; Aldr. Muenz; Aldr. Gehm; Aldr. Pietryla; Aldr. Wirball; Aldr. Bessner; Aldr. Weber **Nays;** None. Chairperson Bongard did not vote as chair. **Motion Carried.**

***D. Recommendation to Approve a Resolution Awarding the Bid for City Sanitary Sewer Root Control Program.**

Motion by Ald. Muenz, second by Ald. Pietryla to approve Omnibus Item 5.D.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Aldr. Silkaitis; Aldr. Foulkes; Aldr. Muenz; Aldr. Gehm; Aldr. Pietryla; Aldr. Wirball; Aldr. Bessner; Aldr. Weber **Nays;** None. Chairperson Bongard did not vote as chair. **Motion Carried.**

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

7. ADDITIONAL ITEMS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, STAFF OR CITIZENS

Chairman Bongard asked about the timing for items 5.B and 5.C; he is wondering why they had to go tonight and couldn't have gone last month, or in September. Mr. Reineking stated we were working to bring the Snow item in July, but we had to go out to bid again so that delayed it. For the Asphalt Program, we were waiting to see what kind of prices we could get; we try to time the market.

Chairman Bongard asked Mr. Suhr about getting formal updates regarding First Street to let us know where the project is as we go into to fall. Mr. Suhr stated we sent a detailed Friday email update a couple weeks ago that included pictures; however, at this time we are done with utilities and unburied everything so now all work is above ground. There is a lot of gravel work taking place now in order to get the entire site level and ready for concrete, then the paver systems will be installed. After that, you will start to see the rest of the amenities be installed. We are still targeting completion of the entire project by January 1, but you will start to see a lot of progress of the Plaza by Thanksgiving.

Aldr. Wirball asked Aldr. Bessner if the St. Charles Initiative would be giving a presentation in September; Aldr. Bessner said yes, after Labor Day. Aldr. Wirball then asked Mr. Suhr if he could give a brief update at that meeting and Mr. Suhr said absolutely. Aldr. Gehm stated it will be good to have an update so that we are all on the same page.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

9. MOTION TO ADJOURN GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

Motion by Ald. Wirball, second by Ald. Pietryla to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 pm.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Aldr. Silkaitis; Aldr. Foulkes; Aldr. Muenz; Aldr. Gehm; Aldr. Pietryla; Aldr. Wirball; Aldr. Bessner; Aldr. Weber **Nays;** None. Chairperson Bongard did not vote as chair.

Motion Carried.

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