

**MINUTES
CITY OF ST. CHARLES, IL
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2011**

Members Present: Chair. Martin, Ald. Stellato, Monken, Carrigan, Payleitner, Turner, Rogina, Krieger, Bessner, and Lewis

Members Absent:

Others Present: Chris Aiston, Chief Mullen, Chris Minick, Peggy Forster, Chief Lamkin, Kathy Livernois, and Rita Tungare

1. Opening of Meeting

The meeting was convened by Chair. Martin at 7:38 p.m.

2. Omnibus Vote

None

3. Community Development – Developmental Engineering Division

- a. Recommend approval of a Resolution Declaring Default and Authorizing the Mayor to Demand Payment Under a Letter of Credit – Artesian Springs Subdivision.**

This item has been requested to be tabled.

Chris Tiedt: Tonight staff is requesting that Item 3 be tabled to the October 17, 2011 Government Operations Committee meeting. This request is being made based on some recent discussions between Mr. Brummel and the Mayor. The City once again has extended an offer to Mr. Brummel in which Mr. Brummel would agree to increase the value of the letter of credit currently held on file from \$59,818.50 to \$80K in return for a time extension to complete the remaining improvements within the subdivision to June 1, 2012. The City has requested that Mr. Brummel provide the new letter of credit before the October 17, 2011 Government Operations Committee meeting. This increase in the letter of credit would be sufficient to fund the majority of the improvements in 2012 and the City could fund the difference, if any, subject to future Council approval.

Motion by Ald. Carrigan, second by Turner to table this item until October 17, 2011.

Voice vote: unanimous; Nays: None. Chair. Martin did not vote as Chair. **Motion carried.**

4. Public Works Department

- a. Recommendation to award Walnut Drive Phase II Construction Bid.**

Jim Bernahl: Tonight I am here to ask to award the contract for construction for the Walnut Phase II. This is a continuation from the first phase done last year. As you may recall the City was awarded a grant from Kane County – it's part of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) in the amount of \$90K. The engineer's estimate was \$289,404. Bids came in and we had seven bidders. We had very good numbers and the low bid was A Lamp Contractors out of Schaumburg with an amount of \$248,718. Although this is very good news for us, the grant is based on a proportion of the total cost. So our grant dollars went down a little bit by \$10K, but overall we still save money. We've checked references for them and we make the recommendation to award the contract to A Lamp Contractors for an amount not to exceed \$248,718.

Motion by Ald. Carrignan, second by Stellato to approve the recommendation to award Walnut Drive Phase II Construction Bid.

Voice vote: unanimous; Nays: None. Chair. Martin did not vote as Chair. **Motion carried.**

a. Recommendation to award 2011/2012 Traffic Signal Maintenance Contract with Meade Electric Co., Inc.

Jim Bernahl: This is the renewal of the contract that the City has with Meade Electric. They maintain the annual maintenance program that we have. They have agreed to maintain their prices and this is their third year of a multi-year contract that we had with them. This will change in the future as we move forward. Their staff is working with IDOT to take over the maintenance of all the traffic signals on IL Rt. 64 which will make this easier for us. Meade has done a good job for us and we recommend approving the contract with them.

Motion by Ald. Carrignan, second by Turner to approve the recommendation to award 2011/2012 Traffic Signal Maintenance Contract with Meade Electric Co., Inc.

Voice vote: unanimous; Nays: None. Chair. Martin did not vote as Chair. **Motion carried.**

5. Police Department

a. Recommendation to approve a Resolution for the Closure of Routes 64 and 31 on November 26, 2011 for the Electric Christmas Parade.

Chief Lamkin: Tonight I have a recommendation to approve a resolution to close Main Street for the Holiday Homecoming Parade so that we can get the request into IDOT.

Motion by Ald. Carrignan, second by Stellato to approve a Resolution for the Closure of Routes 64 and 31 on November 26, 2011 for the Electric Christmas Parade.

Ald. Lewis: What is the difference between this and the homecoming parades?

Chief Lamkin: The difference for us is the day of the week. The construction that is going on now will generally wrap up by the end of October. But on Fridays there is a different demand for traffic to be able to get through the downtown area and the Homecoming parades that are on Friday afternoons backs the traffic up on the east side and creates a difficult situation. Generally there is more semi truck traffic to either hold up or reroute during the week, whereas, a parade like this on a Saturday evening after Thanksgiving, the demand for traffic is different.

Voice vote: unanimous; Nays: None. Chair. Martin did not vote as Chair. **Motion carried.**

6. Additional Items

Ald. Lewis: I would like complement Chief Lamkin on doing a good job on Friday when he was controlling crowds for the East Homecoming Parade.

7. Adjournment

Motion by Carrignan second by Stellato to adjourn meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Voice vote: unanimous; Nays: None. Chair. Martin did not vote as Chair. **Motion carried.**

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