

CITY OF DARIEN
PUBLIC WORKS WATER/STREETS COMMITTEE MINUTES
August 17, 2009
6:30 P.M.

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Marchese. Members in attendance: Member Galan, Member Ted Schauer, Director Gombac and Administrator Vana. There was no audience present.

Establishment of a Quorum:

There was a quorum.

New Business:

Chairman Marchese introduced the first item-Item A- The item presented for consideration was a resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a contract from Kovilic Construction Company Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$477,090.00, for the reconstruction of the Walnut Drive Storm Water Drainage Infrastructure Reconstruction Project.

The scope of the proposed contract includes the removal and replacement of the culverts under Walnut Drive along with the regulating structure immediately north of the culverts. The sidewalk will be realigned to match the existing alignment, street resurfacing, and landscape restoration. Gombac informed the Committee that the project included the lowering of water main and insertion valves. The engineers estimate was brought forth to Staff on the 13th of August, one day prior to the bid opening. Staff had identified that the cost of the water main related items was approximately \$80,000.00, above what Staff had anticipated.

Sealed bids were opened on August 14, 2009, at the Darien City Hall. Staff had received 5 competitive bids for the project. Funding for the project was estimated to be approximately \$15,000.00 over budget with the shortfall being accounted from the annual road maintenance contract. Gombac informed the Committee that the contract is based on a unit contract or the contractor gets paid for quantities used.

Alderman Galan inquired to the timeline of the scope of the project and associated costs. Gombac responded that Staff has been working with the Engineer for approximately two months on field conditions and concerns. Staff did not anticipate the lowering of the water main but was brought to our attention due to the proposed concrete footing design. While the water main was brought to our attention costs were not identified. Gombac informed the Committee that the engineers estimate was received up to a couple of days prior to the bid opening. Staff was anticipating a cost of approximately \$10,000.00 to \$20,000.00 as it related to the water main. Gombac informed the Committee if items such as the insertion valves are not required, Staff would make sure they are not utilized. Gombac informed the Committee that the project was on a fast track from when the City Council approved the design services. Alderman Galan recognized Staff for their conscientiousness to detail, and the Committee concurred.

Alderman Galan inquired how the notification to residents was to be handled. Gombac informed the Committee that flyers would be hand delivered from 75th Street to approximately Frontage Road and from Sawyer to Cass Avenue.

Chairman Marchese requested for a motion and Member Galan made a motion to recommend the approval of a resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a contract from Kovilic Construction Company Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$477,090.00, for the reconstruction of the Walnut Drive Storm Water Drainage Infrastructure Reconstruction Project. The vote was unanimous to recommend approval of this item to the City Council for the August 17, 2009 City Council Meeting. Due to the local impact of this project, this item will also be presented for consideration at the City Council on August 17, 2009.

Chairman Marchese introduced the second item-Item B Approval of a resolution for the authorization to execute a joint purchasing requisition through the Illinois Department of Transportation Central Management Services to North American Salt Company for the annual Rock Salt purchase requisition in an amount not to exceed \$205,892.50.

The City of Darien utilizes the services of the Illinois Department of Transportation Central Management Services for Road Salt. The rock salt is utilized by the Municipal Services Department for street de-icing operations during the snow season. The Illinois Department of Transportation entertains sealed bids for the total quantities from the surrounding municipalities and upon a bid tally forwards the participating municipalities the awarded vendor and the unit pricing. The 2009-10 per ton unit pricing is \$74.87, for a total quantity to be utilized in the amount of 2,500 tons for an amount of \$187,175.00. In addition, the Darien Park District will be purchasing up to 250 tons of rock salt not to exceed \$18,717.50. A separate agenda memo will cover the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Darien and the Darien Park District. In comparison to last years per ton unit pricing of \$115.86 the price has dropped 33% or \$40.99 per ton.

Chairman Marchese requested for a motion and Member Schauer made a motion to recommend the approval of a resolution for the authorization to execute a joint purchasing requisition through the Illinois Department of Transportation Central Management Services to North American Salt Company for the annual Rock Salt purchase requisition in an amount not to exceed \$205,892.50. The vote was unanimous to recommend approval of this item to the City Council for the September 8, 2009 City Council Meeting.

Chairman Marchese introduced the third item-Item C a resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Darien Park District for the reimbursement of Rock Salt through the City's 2009 Rock Salt Agreement with North American Salt Company.

The Intergovernmental Agreement with the Darien Park District authorizes the City of Darien to provide rock salt to the Darien Park District for their deicing operations. The Park District does not have facilities to accommodate rock salt in bulk and will realize a savings by utilizing the City's bulk pricing and storage facility. The City has secured pricing with North American Salt Company through the joint bid purchasing entertained by the Illinois Department of Transportation Central Management Services.

The Park District has estimated that they will require approximately 250 tons for the winter season. The City of Darien would be reimbursed by the Park District at a unit cost of \$74.87 per ton for a total amount of approximately \$18,717.50 pending final quantities. The Darien Park

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District Board of Directors will entertain the Intergovernmental Agreement at their August 24, 2009 meeting.

Chairman Marchese requested for a motion and Member Galan made a motion to recommend a resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Darien Park District for the reimbursement of Rock Salt through the City's 2009 Rock Salt Agreement with North American Salt Company.

The minutes from the July 20, 2009 Public Works Streets and Water Committee were approved.

Directors Report:

Gombac presented the Committee a memo regarding an enhancement to de-icing operations for the winter season. The memo is attached to the minutes.

Chairman Marchese announced that the next scheduled meeting is scheduled for September 21, 2009.

Chairman Marchese made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and was seconded by Member Galan.

Respectfully submitted,

Alderman Joseph Marchese, Chairman

Alderman John Galan, Member

Alderman Ted Schauer, Member

CC: Mayor Kathleen Weaver