

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Date of Meeting: October 4, 2022, at 10:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers

Members Present: Eric Lindman, Anne Jacobson

Also Present: Allen Wesolowski, TJ Niksich, Dustin Kraege, Rick Pergolski, Lori Wunsch

In compliance with Chapter 19, Wisconsin Statutes, notice of this meeting was posted and received by the *Wausau Daily Herald* in the proper manner.

Approve minutes of the September 27, 2022 meeting

Jacobson moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Lindman seconded and the motion passed.

Open bids and make recommendation for Business Campus Trail – 72nd Avenue

The following bids were received:

Janke General Contractors	\$2,400,293.65
Haas Sons, Inc.	\$2,608,691.68

Niksich recommends bringing this back after review. If we decide to award the project, we will request authorization from WisDOT to do so at a future meeting.

Open bids for street lighting controls

Bids were received from Supreme Lighting Design, ETCO Electric Supply, Werner Electric, and Signify. Electrical staff will review the bids and bring back a recommendation.

Open Request for Proposals for Hand Labor and Shoveling Services for Winter Seasons of 2022-2023, 2023-2024, 2024-2025, 2025-2026, and 2026-2027

One proposal was received from Revi Design. Staff will review the unit costs over the five years and bring back a recommendation.

2022 Street Construction Project B: Haas Sons, Inc., Change Order #1

This change order includes several items for a total of \$21,219.82. Staff recommends approval. Jacobson moved to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of \$21,219.82. Lindman seconded and the motion carried.

2022 Street Construction Project B: Haas Sons, Inc., Pay Estimate #3

This is for work completed on 4th Avenue and on 4th Street. The pay estimate was reviewed by the project inspector and Niksich. Approval is recommended. Lindman moved to approve Pay Estimate #3 in the amount of \$228,096.25. Jacobson seconded and the motion passed.

Discussion and possible action on delaying billing special assessments for drive approaches and sidewalk for 2022 Street Construction Projects

Wesolowski explained that most drive approaches and sidewalk are not poured or are being poured. Payments are due before October 31st. By the time mailings go out, property owners would not have an opportunity to pay

before the amount goes onto the tax bill. In the past we have sent out assessments for the street frontage and sewer lateral replacement but delayed assessments for driveways and billed out that portion the following year. He recommends delaying assessments on the driveways for a year in fairness to the residents.

Jacobson asked if they would get assessed for sidewalk now. Wesolowski said sidewalk and drive approaches would be delayed. The front footage (\$42 per foot) and lateral costs would be assessed this year. These would have to be paid by October 31st or it will go onto their tax bill, which is the normal procedure. Projects get a little late every year and this year is no different.

Jacobson moved to approve delaying assessments for driveways and sidewalk until next year. Lindman seconded and the motion passed.

Discussion and possible action on Amendment #1 to the agreement with Becher Hoppe regarding Downtown Mall Redevelopment

Wesolowski explained the original scope with Becher Hoppe did not include survey topo. The Engineering Department did do the majority of the topo; however, staff is still busy with street reconstruction projects and does not have the time at this point to do this amount of work. Becher Hoppe was asked to provide a cost for the remaining topography work. After review with the City Surveyor and Engineering Tech, it was felt the costs provided by Becher Hoppe are reasonable. It makes sense for Becher Hoppe to do the work as we do not want to delay the project. Lindman added that we are under a time crunch with the stormwater management plan that has to be prepared for the entire site for the project to move forward.

Jacobson asked if the original services were bid. Wesolowski stated this went through the RFP process and Becher Hoppe was chosen. The survey work was not included in the proposal because at the time we thought we could handle it.

Lindman moved to approve. Jacobson seconded and the motion passed.

Discussion and possible action on Amendment #4 to the agreement with Barrientos regarding the DPW Facility Study

Lindman explained this was brought forward to CISM to narrow down site selection. CISM wanted to move ahead with reviewing the old Iron Works site at 1100 West Street and to update and finalize the site selection report. This scope of work will take a closer look at the West Street property and provide a cost to update the site evaluation study as requested by committee.

Jacobson was not specifically asked to look at this contract but was asked for a legal opinion by some members of the Council. She has been trying to track down background information and said this has morphed over time. She assumes this was originally approved by Finance because the original cost was \$27,000. Now they are proposing to be at \$76,936. Jacobson asked if this has gone back to Finance. Lindman stated this has not gone back to Finance. He spoke with Groat and funding is available to keep this moving forward.

The first contract was in 2018, which was more like a task letter. Amendment 2 was in April of 2020 and the 3rd amendment was in June of 2021, which is the first instance where they say they are going to look at Cleveland Avenue. In September of 2021, Council decided to take Cleveland Avenue off the table. Jacobson asked if that was communicated to Barrientos. Lindman confirmed and said we are not looking at 1300 Cleveland Avenue at this point. The site evaluation study that was started in 2018 did look at Cleveland Avenue and is part of the site evaluation study. Since Council took it off the table in September of 2021, there has been no further work to evaluate 1300 Cleveland. It was part of the report initially provided back in 2019 or 2020.

Amendment 4 states the intent of the contract is to replace the previous contract and this contract shall govern all work moving forward. Jacobson feels this is really not an amendment but a brand-new contract. She would like more time to review the contract. Discussion followed.

Jacobson moved to approve amending the original contract for the fourth time by entering into a new contract with Barrientos regarding the DPW Facility Study contingent upon her review of the proposed contract. Lindman seconded.

Lindman said this has evolved since 2018 and has become confusing. He thought it would be best to outline everything that was done in the past and have a narrative to the point where we are at. Hopefully when Jacobson is done with her review of the contract, this will be an easier document to look at for any potential future work.

There being a motion and a second, motion passed.

Jacobson moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Lindman. Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:47 am.