

**COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2010 – 6:30 PM
COLUMBUS CITY HALL**

The Columbus Common Council met as a committee of the whole on Tuesday June 22, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. at Columbus City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Council President Perkins and notice of open meeting was noted as posted.

Present: Council members Bomkamp, Bruns, Perkins, Schumann, Sneath and Walker, City Attorney Lueders, City Administrator Kraemer, Clerk Donahue, PW Dir. Jensen, interested citizens and the media. Excused Link and Walker.

Council President Perkins led the Council in the pledge of allegiance. Motion by Sneath second by Bruns to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried voice vote. There were no citizen comments on agenda items.

Council Liaison Reports were given by: Schumann for the PFC and announced the commission will be holding meetings quarterly from now on; Sneath for HLPC; Bruns for CW&L and CAAC; Bomkamp for CDA and Plan Commission; and Perkins for Library Board.

DPW Jensen reported on the Aquatic Center incident of 06/19/10 and read a press release on the incident.

City Engineer Lietha presented a report & recommendation on the bid opening on the Farnham Street Reconstruction and Utility Repairs. Bids were opened June 21, 2010 and the City received 1 bidder on the project, Northeast Asphalt in the amount of \$250,512.05. The recommendation of the City Engineer was to award the bid and contract with Northeast Asphalt, but stated the City has the option to re-bid the project, or bid next spring. Referred to the next regular Council meeting, July 6, 2010.

City Engineer Lietha introduced Resolution #13-10 "Declaring Intent to Apply for and Implement Grant from the Wisconsin Department to Transportation Safe Routes to School Program" and informed the Council the dollar amount of the grant the City would need to include in the 2012-2013 CIP program for 100% reimbursement from the grant program is \$250,000. Kraemer asked the Council to remember as this project is added to the 2012-13 CIP, there are already several projects on the list for the borrowing, including the James St project and the LED street light project. Referred to the next regular Council meeting, July 6, 2010.

City Engineer Lietha presented Task Order #4 – TIF District #4 Survey with Ruckert-Mielke for the engineering portion of the TIF #4 documents for consideration by the Council. Referred to the next regular Council meeting, July 6, 2010.

City Engineer Lietha presented Task Order #5 – 2011 Sanitary Sewer Engineering with Ruckert-Mielke to complete tasks identified in the facility plan for consideration by the Council. Referred to the next regular Council meeting July 6, 2010.

DPW Jensen presented a recommendation to begin preparing plans for the Avalon Road and Ridgeview Lane sidewalk work for 2011. A letter to the property owners will be sent this year to alert property owners of the work. Referred to the next regular Council meeting, July 6, 2010.

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DPW Jensen presented a recommendation for a gazebo Installation at Avalon Road Park by residents with donated funds and labor. Referred to the next regular meeting of the Council, July 6, 2010.

Kraemer presented the grant agreement between the WDOC and the City for the installation of the LED Street Lights in the amount of \$159,000 and asked the Council to authorizing the agreement at the special meeting scheduled for later tonight. Referred to the special meeting of June 22, 2010.

Kraemer presented the final audio/visual improvements for the City Hall improvement project and the recommendation to award to Ban-Koe Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$66,585.53. Referred to the next regular Council meeting, July 6, 2010.

There being no further business for the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm on a motion by Bruns second by Sneath. Motion carried voice vote.

Anne Donahue
City Clerk