

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL FROM
POLICY & GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
May 13, 2020

A regular meeting of the committee was convened at 1:30 pm on this date.

Members Present: Council Members Lisa Bender (Chair), Andrea Jenkins (Vice-Chair), Kevin Reich, Cam Gordon, Steve Fletcher, Phillipe Cunningham, Jeremiah Ellison, Lisa Goodman, Alondra Cano, Jeremy Schroeder, Andrew Johnson, and Linea Palmisano (Quorum - 7)

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.021, the meeting was held by electronic means and Council Members and staff participated remotely due to the local public health emergency (novel coronavirus pandemic) declared on March 16, 2020.

Matters listed below are hereby submitted with the following recommendations; to-wit:

1. 3rd Ave S and Clinton Residential Street Resurfacing: Project approval and assessment ([2020-00546](#))
 1. Passage of Resolution ordering the work to proceed and adopting special assessments in the amount of \$358,013.20 for the 3rd Ave S and Clinton Residential Street Resurfacing Project No. 2331L (CPV2056).
 2. Passage of Resolution requesting the Board of Estimate and Taxation authorize the City's issuance and sale of assessment bonds in the amount of \$358,013.20 for the 3rd Ave S and Clinton Residential Street Resurfacing Project.

Staff presentation by Mike Kennedy, Public Works Department.

The public hearing was opened. There being no persons wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

Jenkins moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

2. North Loop Street Resurfacing: Project approval and assessment ([2020-00547](#))
 1. Passage of Resolution ordering the work to proceed and adopting special assessments in the amount of \$453,571.90 for the North Loop Street Resurfacing Project No. 2331H (CPV2056).
 2. Passage of Resolution requesting the Board of Estimate and Taxation authorize the City's issuance and sale of assessment bonds in the amount of \$453,571.90 for the North Loop Street Resurfacing Project.

Staff presentation by Mike Kennedy, Public Works Department.

The public hearing was opened. There being no persons wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

Fletcher moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

3. Rollins and Elm St SE Residential Street Resurfacing: Project approval and assessment ([2020-00548](#))

1. Passage of Resolution ordering the work to proceed and adopting special assessments in the amount of \$191,980.16 for the Rollins and Elm St SE Street Resurfacing Project No. 2331J (CPV2056).
2. Passage of Resolution requesting the Board of Estimate and Taxation authorize the City's issuance and sale of assessment bonds in the amount of \$191,980.16 for the Rollins and Elm St SE Street Resurfacing Project.

Staff presentation by Mike Kennedy, Public Works Department.

The public hearing was opened. There being no persons wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

Gordon moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

4. Liquor license approvals for May 13, 2020 ([2020-00535](#))

1. AGRA CULTURE, 2939 GIRARD AVE S Minneapolis, MN, (Ward 10) submitted by Agra Culture Uptown LLC, BLLiquor, LIC389271
2. AGRA CULTURE, 3717 50TH ST W Minneapolis, MN, (Ward 13) submitted by AGRA CULTURE 50TH FRANCE LLC, BLLiquor, LIC389272
3. Family Dollar #25436, 1816 NICOLLET AVE Minneapolis, MN, (Ward 7) submitted by Family Dollar Inc, BLBeerOff, LIC388922
4. Family Dollar #28395, 4016 BLOOMINGTON AVE Minneapolis, MN, (Ward 7) submitted by Family Dollar Inc, BLBeerOff, LIC388924

Bender moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

5. Gambling license renewals for May 13, 2020 ([2020-00534](#))

Edison Community & Sports Foundation, 3675 MINNEHAHA AVE Minneapolis, MN, submitted by J & S Realty Rail Station LLC, BLGeneral, LIC379197

Bender moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

6. Legal settlement: Claim of Arius Spearman ([2020-00536](#))

Approving the settlement of the claim of Arius Spearman by payment of \$36,750 to Arius Spearman and his attorneys, and authorizing the City Attorney's Office to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

Bender moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

7. Legal settlement: In the Matter of the City of Minneapolis, Petitioner, and David Gillen and Public Employees Retirement Association of Minnesota, Respondents ([2020-00537](#))

Approving the settlement of *In the Matter of the City of Minneapolis, Petitioner, and David Gillen and Public Employees Retirement Association of Minnesota, Respondents* OAH 5-6010-36503 by payment of \$50,000 to David Gillen and his attorneys, Meuser Law Office, P.A., and authorizing the City Attorney's Office to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

Bender moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

8. Contract amendment with Lindquist Law Office, P.A. for city legal services ([2020-00551](#))

Authorizing an increase to Contract No. COM0000037 with Lindquist Law Office, P.A. in the amount of \$300,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$600,000, for city legal services.

Bender moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

9. Contract amendment with Centro de Trabajadores Unidos en la Lucha (CTUL) for proactive labor standards outreach and vulnerable worker liaison services ([2020-00553](#))

Authorizing an increase to Contract No. COM0000067 with Centro de Trabajadores Unidos en la Lucha (CTUL), in the amount of up to \$538,000 (up to \$269,000 annually) for a total amount not to exceed \$738,000, and an extension through Dec 31, 2021, with the option of two additional one-year extensions at the sole discretion of the City, for continued services associated with proactive labor standards outreach to vulnerable low wage workers.

Bender moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

10. Contract with State of Minnesota for office space in North Minneapolis CareerForce Center to provide employment and training services ([2020-00539](#))

Authorizing a contract with the State of Minnesota, in the amount of \$2,622.51, to sublease office space at the North Minneapolis CareerForce Center to provide employment and training services through August 2020.

Bender moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

11. Contract amendment with Pump and Meter Service, Inc. for East Side Maintenance Facility Fuel Depot Project ([2020-00543](#))

Authorizing an increase to Contract No. COM0001202 with Pump and Meter Service, Inc., in the amount of \$3,042.24 for a total amount not to exceed \$343,475.72, for additional work for the East Side Maintenance Facility Fuel Depot Project.

Bender moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

12. Grant application to United States Department of Justice - National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative ([2020-00540](#))

Authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the US Department of Justice - National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI), in the amount of \$2,500,000, for DNA testing of backlogged, untested sexual assault evidence kits and the investigation and prosecution of cases with DNA evidence results.

Bender moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

13. Grant application to United States Department of Justice - Office of Justice Programs for Coronavirus emergency supplemental funding ([2020-00542](#))

Authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the US Department of Justice - Office of Justice Programs, in the amount of \$1,665,476 over two years, for preventing, preparing for, and responding to coronavirus.

Bender moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

14. Temporary construction easement agreement amendment with the University of Minnesota for construction of a new water main near the 10th Ave bridge ([2020-00550](#))

Authorizing an amendment to a temporary construction easement agreement with the University of Minnesota for construction of a new water main near the 10th Ave bridge.

Bender moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

15. Contract amendment with Safety Signs LLC for rental of traffic control devices ([2020-00544](#))

Authorizing an increase to Contract No. C-44480 with Safety Signs LLC, in the amount of \$544,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$1,552,610, for the additional rental of traffic control devices.

Bender moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

16. Bid for Bridge 9 Pier 6 and 7 Repair Project ([2020-00552](#))

Accepting the low bid of Meyer Contracting, Inc., submitted on Event No. 1019, in the amount of \$1,636,751.85, to provide all materials, labor, equipment, and incidentals necessary for the Bridge 9 Pier 6 and 7 Repair Project, and authorizing a contract for the project, all in accordance with City specifications.

Bender moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

17. Gift acceptance from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Foundation and Minneapolis Gap Funding Program Fund of The Minneapolis Foundation of funding for loans under the Forgivable No-Interest Loans for Small Business Program ([2020-00557](#))

1. Passage of Resolution accepting donation from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Foundation and the Minneapolis Gap Funding Program Fund of The Minneapolis Foundation for funding loans under the Forgivable No-Interest Loans for Small Business Program.
2. Authorizing an agreement with The Minneapolis Foundation for a conditional gift.

Bender moved to approve. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

18. Health Department's COVID-19 Community Response Request for Applications process ([2020-00545](#))

Receiving and filing a verbal update on the Health Department's COVID-19 Community Response Request for Applications (RFA) process.

Staff presentation by Gretchen Musicant, Health Commissioner, Department of Health and Erik Nilsson, Interim City Attorney.

Cunningham indicated that he would bring forward a staff direction in the Council meeting.

Bender moved to receive and file. On roll call, the motion passed.

Aye: Bender, Jenkins, Reich, Gordon, Fletcher, Cunningham, Ellison, Goodman, Cano, Schroeder, Johnson, and Palmisano (12)

Nay: (0)

Abstain: (0)

Absent: (0)

With no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned at 2:54 pm.

Reported by Peggy Menshek, Council Committee Coordinator