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Council,

Here are this week's items:

Public Works (from Mark Freiberger)

- SR20/SR9-Township Intersection Improvements – Colacurcio Brothers, Inc. - The contractor paved the new turn lanes on the evening of 9/20/22, and installed signal loops the evening of 9/21/22. Prep work for the remaining concrete curbs and sidewalks is under way. The crosswalks remain functional with temporary surfacing until the remaining concrete and asphalt pavement is installed. Contractor flagging personnel in conjunction with SWSD crossing guards continue to assist school children crossing the work zone. Remaining concrete is work planned for 9/22 and 9/23/2022. Final asphalt paving and pavement markings will follow during the period 9/26 to 9/29, after which the project will be complete. Last night, I was informed that the concrete crew has been hit by COVID, which will likely impact planned completion of the concrete work. WSDOT on 9/7/22 approved Supplement 2 to our funding agreement, adding \$354,317 in federal funding to the project. This will offset the local funds previously allowed for construction to cover the higher bid cost for the work, freeing up REET funds for other projects.
- WWTP Laboratory/Operations Building and Public Works Building Project – Faber Construction Corporation. The contractor continues with final touches on both buildings. Activation of the new power and HVAC systems is scheduled for 9/26/2022. Final touch up and certificate of occupancy is scheduled for the week of 10/3/22. The Alternate #2 additional site work for the future Public Works Vehicle Storage Building will not be completed until October. An order for the furnishings for the buildings is on the council agenda for 9/28/22. Most of the remaining change orders for the project are also on the 9/28/22 agenda. Final occupancy is not expected until the furnishings arrive near the end of the year. WWTP is planning for SCADA transfer to the new building, and relocation of the Laboratory.
- 2023 Projects Design Phase - Work continues on a number of planned 2023 construction projects, including Olmsted Park Phase 1 Infrastructure and Phase 2 Structures, the SR9/Township & McGarigle/John Liner Road Intersection Improvements, and SR20-Cascade Trail Phase 2A. We are also nearing design phase obligation for the John Liner Road Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvements Project, which will be followed by consultant selection. We are also in the preliminary stages of consultant selection for the Jones/John Liner BNSF Undercrossing Project Phase 2, and the 2023 Sewer Collection System projects.
- Memorial Park Design - Amendment 8 to Pacific Landscape Architecture for final design of the Memorial Park improvements is on the Council agenda for 9/28/22. The final design is for a reduced scope that will include Sidewalks, turf restoration, tree removal and replacement, relocation of the Restroom, Playground, Spray Park and playground improvements.
- Public Works Operations/Street Department - Public Works Operations crew are clearing the recently purchased Nelson property on Cook Road in preparation for demolition of the existing house and shed. An asbestos abatement contractor will remove asbestos containing materials from the structure. Crews are also completing paint striping and crosswalk thermoplastic citywide.

- Public Works Operations/Facilities/Parks Department - Facilities/Parks personnel are finishing up the new storage shed for the Tesarik Field, replacing the smaller portable shed. A contractor is in the process of repointing and sealing the brick masonry for the Hammer Heritage Clock Tower. This will correct a water infiltration that is damaging the inside of the tower. Also on the 9/28/22 council agenda is a Memorandum of Understanding with United General Hospital District 304 for another Born Learning trail signage package for Olmsted Park that is similar to the one recently installed at Houser Park this year.
- Utility Committee - Staff has engaged Katy Isaksen to update the Sewer Outlook for 2023-2027. We last updated this in 2021 when confirming sewer utility rate increases for 2022. This update will address the high inflation of the past year, and address revisions to the WWTP Capital Improvements Plan. The Utility Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for October 26 before the council meeting. This will allow time to recommend Utility adjustments if needed in November. We are also looking at Solid Waste operations and the possibility of adding an additional driver in 2023 or 2024. This will also be discussed with the Utility Committee.

Other Stuff

- Other Departmental Reports – Fire and Building/Planning have reports in the packet for next Wednesday’s Council meeting.
- ICMA Conference – I returned yesterday morning from the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) conference, which occurred in Columbus, Ohio and ran from last Saturday through Wednesday. Thank you again for supporting my attendance. It was a fantastic learning experience and my presentation went well.

Thanks,

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