



FULLERTON
CITIZENS' INFRASTRUCTURE
REVIEW COMMITTEE
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2008 - - - 4:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM
1ST FLOOR - CITY HALL

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Daybell
Jay Kremer (arrived at 4:15 p.m.)
Patrick McNelly
Allan Olson
Arean Park
Samuel Post
Dorothy Ruhnke
Richard Wilson

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jeanne Costello

STAFF PRESENT:

Don Hoppe, Director of Engineering
Ron Bowers, Senior Civil Engineer
Janelle Pasillas, Administrative Asst.

The meeting was called to order by Director Hoppe at 4:02 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 11, 2005

It was the consensus of the Committee that approval of the Minutes of the May 11, 2005 meeting be waived, and the Minutes filed.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

MOTION made by Member Olson, and SECONDED by Member Daybell, that Member McNelly be named Chair, CARRIED unanimously.

MOTION made by Member Post, and SECONDED by Member McNelly, that Member Daybell be named Vice Chair, CARRIED unanimously.

REVIEW OF 5-YEAR CIP

Director Hoppe discussed the new Sewer Enterprise Fee that was now part of the City water bill. The fee was anticipated to bring in \$9 – \$10 million dollars per year, dependent upon the amount of water used, and these funds were used as a combination CIP and maintenance component for upgrading and maintaining the sewers. Currently, these funds were being used

for Capital projects and ongoing maintenance of the sewer system. He reminded the Committee of a previous issue that had come up regarding ownership of the sewer lateral. According to the City Attorney, the City did not own the sewer laterals, they were owned by the resident, up to the main. The City's current focus was the sewer mains, and there were no plans to upgrade the laterals at this time. The priority was to control spillage and overflows, which was a fully funded project. The Sewer Enterprise Fee also feed up money that was previously being used by Maintenance Services for their ongoing sewer maintenance, and this was being used for more storm drain work.

Vice Chair Daybell stated discussion on the sewer and sewer laterals had been put on hold when the Committee had been meeting in 2005. Member Olson reminded the Committee of the November 13, 2003 letter from the City Attorney advising the Committee to not discuss the sewer laterals, and wondered if the order still applied. Mr. Hoppe stated he would speak with the City Attorney prior to the next meeting to clarify what could be discussed.

Chair McNelly would like to revisit the topic of sewer laterals, and how the Orange County Sanitation District (OCSD) programs worked along with the City's programs. He asked that this discussion be agendized for a future meeting.

Director Hoppe reviewed the changes being proposed to the existing 5-year CIP. He explained the various sources of funding, and the conditions on how the money could be spent.

Chair McNelly requested staff provide the Committee with copies of the previous recommendations of the Infrastructure Committee, and the origin of the CIRC. He would also like to have staff provide a list of the various types of funding sources and an explanation of where these funds come from and how they can be used.

Director Hoppe advised the Committee that the City Council would consider the budget at their June 3, 2008 meeting, and if the Committee had any comments they should be sent to him prior to this date.

Member Park commented on the need to repair many of the City's sidewalks.

Member Wilson asked if the City had looked into the purchase of CDBG funds from other cities at a discounted rate, and Mr. Hoppe responded he had not heard of this, but would check into it and report back to the Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Citizens' Infrastructure Review Committee adjourned at 5:05 p.m. until the next meeting of June 18, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.