

COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

February 6, 2024 at 5:30 PM

Chairman Morgan called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Aldermen Morgan, Terrio, Kantor, Long, Burkush

Messrs.: K. Clarke, P. Croasdale

1. Summary of abatement requests submitted by Fred McNeill, Chief Engineer.

*On motion of **Alderman Long**, duly seconded by **Alderman Terrio**, it was voted to approve.*

2. Amending Resolution and Budget Authorization providing for the acceptance and expenditure of funds in the amount of \$10,000 for CIP 210224 Modernization of Food Protection Program.

*On motion of **Alderman Burkush**, duly seconded by **Alderman Kantor**, it was voted to approve.*

3. Amending Resolution and Budget Authorization providing for the acceptance and expenditure of funds in the amount of \$8,365 for CIP 611723 NAEH Consultancy.

*On motion of **Alderman Kantor**, duly seconded by **Alderman Long**, it was voted to approve.*

4. Amending Resolution and Budget Authorization providing for the acceptance and expenditure of funds in the amount of \$62,643.20 for CIP 711118 Traffic Signal Corridor Upgrades.

Alderman Terrio asked this is state money, correct.

Kristen Clarke, Traffic Engineer, stated all the money we are asking to be accepted today is state money. Overall, the cost of the change order requires a 20% city match but we already have the city match in the project funds.

*On motion of **Alderman Burkush**, duly seconded by **Alderman Terrio**, it was voted to approve.*

5. Communication from Phil Croasdale, Water Works Director, requesting approval of the following Bond Resolutions and Budget Authorizations:
 - CIP 713224 Munis ERP Software in the amount of \$1,000,000
 - CIP 713324 Main Relay and Cleaning and Lining Mains (Water Works) in the amount of \$1,500,000
 - CIP 713424 Raw Water Pumps in the amount of \$1,000,000

Alderman Terrio asked can you explain the software to us in laymen's terms; what it will help you do.

Phil Croasdale, Water Works Director, stated it is going to be our accounting software, primarily. Eventually billing, accounts receivable, accounts payable, and payroll. HR is going to go live with the payroll I believe on March 1st. This is going to be the whole City of Manchester on the Munis system.

Alderman Terrio asked it is not going to just be Water Works, it is going to be the whole city. So just to clarify, you are buying the software but the whole city is going to be using it.

Mr. Croasdale stated we are buying what we are responsible for.

Alderman Terrio asked is the city going to have to pay additional funds.

Mr. Croasdale responded the city will pay additional fees for the other departments from the general fund.

Alderman Long asked the \$3.5 million, is that all bonded.

Mr. Croasdale replied yes either through the city or the bond bank. Probably through the city. I think they are going out late spring.

Alderman Terrio asked remember a few years back we avoided a lawsuit with the federal government to prevent sewer water from going into the Merrimack River. Remember the agreement? Just out of curiosity, the second thing, the main relay for \$1.5 million, is that part of that work?

Mr. Croasdale answered no. Main relay is replacing old main with new main. Cleaning and lining basically is a process in which we brush out the main and then reline it with cement mortar lining. It is less expensive because you don't have to dig up the road as much. It rehabilitates the main and it is good for another 75 to 80 years.

*On motion of **Alderman Long**, duly seconded by **Alderman Terrio**, it was voted to approve.*

*There being no further business, on motion of **Alderman Long**, duly seconded by **Alderman Kantor**, it was voted to adjourn.*

A True Record. Attest.



Clerk of Committee