# MINUTES

# PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION APRIL 21, 2021

Call to Order/ The meeting was called to order at 5:02 P.M. by Pledge of Allegiance: Sean Crumby, who also led Commissioners and the

audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

# **Roll Call**

Commissioners Absent: None

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Cicerone, Ferlita, Gins, Michalski,

Nguyen, Shepherd, and Tucker were in attendance.

Others Present: Sean Crumby, Director of Public Works

Chau Vu, Deputy Director of Public Works Ken Dills, Administrative Services Manager

Tom Herbel, City Engineer

Chris Tanio, Principal Civil Engineer Bob Stachelski, Transportation Manager

Bill Janusz, Principal Civil Engineer

Chris Slama, Director of Community & Library Services

Scott Haberle, Fire Chief

Eric McCoy, Fire Division Chief

Anthony Evegan, Info Tech Mgr - Infrastructure Sarah Whitecotton, Senior Accounting Technician

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

None.

# **MINUTES**

Motion by Vice Chair Gins, seconded by Commissioner Ferlita, to approve the minutes of March 17, 2021 as presented.

VOTE: The motion carried.

AYES: 6 NOES: 0

ABSENT: 1 (Cicerone joined after the minutes were approved)

ABSTENTIONS: 0

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Comment from resident Steve Hunter regarding traffic safety concerns and potential bike lanes on Delaware Street read by Ken Dills.

### **DIRECTOR'S ITEMS**

None.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

Tom Herbel presented the active Capital Improvement Projects Update (attached).

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

# FY 2021/22 Capital Improvement Program (CIP)

Staff member Chris Tanio presented a review of the current fiscal year projects and then reviewed the proposed Fiscal Year 2021/22 Capital Improvement Program by category.

Commissioner Gins asked why the Storm Drain Pump Station Improvements are under Drainage and Storm Water instead of Facilities. Tom Herbel clarified that the buildings are specially built and include wiring, hatches, technology and other characteristics more suited to storm drain maintenance than facilities maintenance. Commissioner Tucker asked where the extra funding in Infrastructure Fund came from. Sean Crumby advised that there were various revenue sources and more specific information would be given when the budget goes to City Council on May 17, 2021. Commissioner Shepherd asked why there is deferred maintenance on buildings such as painting. Sean Crumby advised that facilities maintenance is funded primarily by the general fund and is thus competes citywide for project spending. Tom Herbel added that ADA and other improvements are prioritized ahead of the painting and we are thankful to be able to paint some buildings this year. Commissioner Tucker asked how some of the projects have been neglected so long.

Commissioner Gins questioned why projects are categorized the way they are and why there is no water quality CIP included. Tom Herbel advised some grant funding through OCTA is being pursued and Sean Crumby added that there is funding for water quality in operating budget, which is different than the Capital Improvement Program and therefore not discussed at this current meeting.

Commissioner Shepherd asked about restriping after paving projects. Bill Janusz advised that there is a review and consideration of the striping plan when developing the CIP projects. Bob Stachelski also advised that there is a Bicycle Master Plan which is taken into consideration during the review of upcoming projects. Commissioner Cicerone asked for clarification of the Edison park project. Chris Slama advised that the Community Services Department is looking for community involvement in planning the project and thus only design funding

is being requested at this time. Commissioner Cicerone also asked about the Central Park Restroom project and why it is less than the last project. Tom Herbel advised that this last bathroom has some design issues and will include ADA and other improvements instead of a full replacement. Commissioner Cicerone said he would like more details on the specifics of each project and how the money will be spent. Tom Herbel advised that many projects are estimated for design one year and construction the next by professional consultants and engineers.

Motion by Gins and second by Tucker the Commission voted to recommend to the City Council the Fiscal Year 2021/22 Capital Improvement Program.

VOTE: The motion carried.

AYES: 6

NOES: 1 (Cicerone)

ABSENT: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

## **COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMENTS**

Commissioner Shepherd asked about the Ascon project. Tom Herbel advised that there is a regular meeting of the professionals involved and a community group meeting as well. Also, there is a web page updated regularly on the City's website for more specific information as to the Ascon site and contacts for the project:

https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/public\_works/ascon.cfm.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Nguyen and second by Gins to adjourn at 6:30 p.m. until the next scheduled meeting on May 19, 2021 at 5:00 PM via Zoom or at the Utilities Yard as allowed.

VOTE: The motion carried.

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 0

James Michalski Kenneth Dills

Chairperson

Kenneth Dills

Administrative Services Manager