

MINUTES BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS January 27, 2026

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Public Work was held on Tuesday January 27, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers (RM# 115) of City Hall at the Showers Building, 401 N. Morton Street, Bloomington, Indiana and via Zoom by using the following link

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Meeting ID: 830 5565 6981

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Board Members Present:

Kyla Cox Deckard, President

Elizabeth Karon, Vice-President

James Roach, Secretary

City Employees Present:

Adam Wason, Public Works

Miranda Beaver, Public Works

Kendall Knoke, Engineering

Zach Bell, Engineering

Kyle Baugh, Engineering

MESSAGES FROM BOARD MEMBERS

James Roach thanked the departments for the cleanup of Kirkwood after the championship game. Kyla Cox Deckard thanked Public Works and crew for all the cleaning up from the winter storm. Cox Deckard also thanked residents who have helped with the cleanup.

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Resolution 2026-07 Mobile Vendor Planted Bloomington
2. Resolution 2026-08 Mobile Vendor Community Kitchen
3. Service Agreement with CATS
4. Payroll

Karon made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Roach seconded. Cox Deckard called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. LPA Consulting Contract Amendment 2 with WSP, Inc. for W. 2nd Street Modernization Project

Kendall Knoke, Engineering, presented an LPA Consulting Contract Amendment 2 with WSP, Inc. for the W. 2nd Street Modernization Project. The W. 2nd Street Modernization and Safety Improvement Project consists of various improvements to W. 2nd Street between the B-Line Trail and S. Walker Street including bike lanes, signal replacement, drainage improvements, new sidewalks and curb ramps, lighting, and other associated work. This project has been prioritized for federal funding participation for preliminary engineering and construction. The local funding portion comes from a 2022 Parks GO bond. Utility relocations began in 2025 and construction is expected to begin in early 2026 and be substantially complete by the end of 2026. WSP USA, Inc. was selected to perform preliminary engineering services as the top-scoring firm in response to a request for proposals (RFP). The contract was set at a not-to-exceed amount of \$739,787.00 in 2022. The contract was amended in 2023 to add right-of-way services bringing the total contract amount to \$835,472.00. This contract amendment would increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$245,923.00 to a total of \$1,081,395.00. Roach asked if this contract includes any of the preliminary design work. Knoke said that it's all being handled by the consultant that's doing the PUD. Karon made a motion to approve the LPA Consulting Contract Amendment 2 with WSP, Inc. for the W. 2nd Street Modernization Project. Roach seconded. Cox Deckard, called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

2. LPA Consulting Contract with Cross Road Engineers, PC for Preliminary Engineering at Hopewell South Project

Kendall Knoke, Engineering, presented the LPA Consulting Contract with Cross Road Engineers, PC for Preliminary Engineering at Hopewell South Project. The Hopewell South project consists of the development of property owned by the City's Redevelopment Commission (RDC) south of W. 1st Street that was formerly part of the IU Health Bloomington Hospital site. The project is currently being considered by the Plan Commission and City Council for a rezone to allow for the development of a mix of residential housing units and possible institutional uses. If approved in its current form, the project will construct new streets including an extension of S. Jackson Street between 1st and Wylie and improve existing adjoining streets including S. Rogers, W. Wylie, S. Fairview, and W. 1st. This project includes property that is currently being considered for use as a future Bloomington Police Department headquarters. The Engineering Department has been tasked with the subdivision of the property as well as the design and construction of all necessary infrastructure. While this project will include grading and preparation of the residential home sites (as on previous phases of the Hopewell project) it does not include the design or construction of the actual buildings.

CrossRoad Engineers, P.C. was selected to perform preliminary engineering services for this project. CrossRoad Engineers was selected due to their experience on the adjoining Hopewell West project, the Engineering Department's satisfaction with their design documents and responsiveness during the design and construction of the Hopewell West project, and their inclusion on the Engineering Department's pre-approved consultant list. Their scope of work includes the survey and subdivision of the property as well as the design of the necessary infrastructure for the proposed development. Right-of-way services are not anticipated to be needed as part of this project. The contract is set at a not-to-exceed amount of \$424,200.00. Karon asked how far south of 1st Street does this go and is Wiley the southern boundary. Knoke stated that was correct and that there's some property west of Fairview along the south side of 1st Street. Then there's a big parcel that's Fairview, 1st Street, Rogers and Wiley, are all part of this. Cox Deckard recapped that City Council considered the options as far as designs. Then the Board is reviewing and approving this. Then the design is going to be informed by what the City Council approves. Knoke added that Engineering work will be required no matter what. Even if we proceeded under current zoning, all of these same things would be required. Karon made a motion to approve the LPA Consulting Contract with Cross Road Engineers, PC for Preliminary Engineering at Hopewell South Project. Roach seconded. Cox Deckard called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

3. Extension on Lane and Sidewalk Closures for Duke Energy on W. 11th Street

Zach Bell, Engineering, presented an Extension on Lane and Sidewalk Closures for Duke Energy on W. 11th Street request for approval. Duke Energy is requesting an extension of the duration of sidewalk and lane closures located at W. 11th Street. These closures were previously approved at the 11/18/2025 Board of Public Works meeting. A late start, inclement weather and other complications have slowed work substantially. The new target finish date is 03/31/2026, an extension of 30 working days or six weeks is requested. Karon asked if the original target finish date was six weeks prior to March 31st. Bell stated that is accurate. Bell added they have run into multiple problems including moving the trucks when buses come through, access issues, along with weather. Karon asked if there have been any new reports or any considerations from the residents about this. Bell stated he has not seen any in association with this permit. That they are still in the section of West 11th that doesn't have sidewalks. Karon made a motion to approve the Extension on Lane and Sidewalk Closures for Duke Energy on W. 11th Street. Roach Seconded. Cox Deckard called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

4. Sidewalk and Lane Closures at W. 1st Street for Clark Landscaping

Zach Bell, Engineering, presented the Sidewalk and Lane Closures at W. 1st Street for Clark Landscaping. Clark Landscaping is requesting approval for sidewalk closures at 1004 W. 1st Street. This request is for sidewalk replacements on the north and south side of W. 1st Street. A pedestrian detour will be in place for the expected duration of 1 week per side. Roach asked if Clark Landscaping is the company who applied for the permit and is doing the work. Bell stated he didn't ask the applicant but thinks it's a result of a sidewalk letter. They do own property on both sides. Cox Deckard said that we are just outside of Hopewell and anything happening in that area that would be impacted by this project. Bell said no and this is one week per side. Wason added this will occur before anything else happens on the other side with any of the work with Hopewell either south or on 2nd street. Karon made a motion to approve the Extension on Lane and Sidewalk Closures at W. 1st. Street for Clark Landscaping. Roach seconded. Cox Deckard called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

5. Closures and Lane Shifts at 115 E. Kirkwood for Odyssey Construction with a Noise Permit

Kyle Baugh, Engineering, presented Closures and Lane Shifts at 115 E. Kirkwood for Odyssey Construction with a Noise Permit request for approval. Odyssey Construction is requesting a pedestrian diversion and intermittent closures, traffic lane shifts and intermittent lane closures, alley closures, and metered parking reservations associated with the project at 115 E. Kirkwood Avenue. The request impacts the northern sidewalk on E. Kirkwood, the north-south and east-west alleys surrounding 115 E. Kirkwood, the east-west travel lanes on E. Kirkwood, and the metered parking spaces along the north side of E. Kirkwood. These right-of-way impacts are proposed to accommodate utility relocations and the construction of condominiums with ground-floor retail at 115 E. Kirkwood Avenue. Temporary traffic control measures would be in place from January 28, 2026, through July 28, 2027, for a total duration of approximately 18 months. The requested closures would only take place sporadically during this 18 month period for concrete pours in the early morning hours to limit disruptions on Kirkwood. Staff has worked with Odyssey Construction on material delivery and staging. Staff and the Contractor have reached out to the neighbors and have held meetings with the neighbors to coordinate on things such as trash pickup and deliveries.

Roach asked how authorization of scheduling noise permits are interrelated and how is this one different. Baugh explained that this would be a noise permit that would be for a future schedule. There is no definitive timeline or exact dates of when these instances would occur such as extra construction traffic on Kirkwood and that would be early in the morning. Roach asked if those specific dates once they're determined, would those be approved by staff or come back to the board. Baugh said they would be director level from his understanding. Wason added

that the concrete pours for the footers will be extensive. The Contractor is trying to start before the city ordinance allows at 6am. That would allow the traffic to be back open on Kirkwood during the commercial parts of the day.

Karon asked about the large-scale festivals that use the footprint of Kirkwood from Walnut to Indiana and how closures would impact this. Wason said that there will be impacts but Staff will do the best to mitigate and work with developers, owners and festival organizers. When it is not possible Staff will think about alternative locations in that area. Cox Deckard mentioned that she didn't see a specific right-of-way closure, but did read in the staff report that there was a temporary traffic control measures which states there will be impact to the right-of-ways. She asked if there is any portion of the right-of-way around the project be essentially closed for either for that duration or a shorter time or are these just temporary closures for day to day kinds of impact. Baugh said that there would be a pedestrian diversion, so that's where the temporary traffic control elements come in. Ben Comple from Genesis Build stated that Kirkwood would be the first footing that would be put in, start taking out the sidewalk, the brick pavers, a couple street trees, lights and then work up to the north-south alley. Wason stated that the sidewalk on Kirkwood and the restrictions on that will be in place for the duration of the project or what will be closed. Baugh stated that his understanding that it would be utilized for the duration as a lay down area. Comple stated that is correct.

Cox Deckard asked if the two alleyways, back of the project would be closed for the duration of the project. Comple said not for pedestrians. Wason added that the delivery truck is not going to get the produce from the alley but come off of Kirkwood. Cox Deckard asked if the neighbors were notified about this meeting. Comple stated yes. Roach mentioned in the report it states there will be some closures north of the metered parking and is that just two spaces in front of CVS or are they further to the west. Comple said just what is in front of the property. Karon asked if the pedestrian diversion will be to the south of the sidewalk and street tree area into the street, which would condense the traffic going east and west on Kirkwood, as well as there is a parklet uptown on the other side. Wason said that is all taken into account and there will be some lane shifts using the park. Traffic will be diverted and there will also be a pedestrian walk around. Karon asked if the pedestrian walk around would be for the entire 18 months. Wason stated correct. Karon asked if the traffic would be impacted at some level for the entire 18 months. Wason stated that is correct. Cox Deckard asked if they anticipated daily noise permits where construction necessitates overnight construction for a longer period of time. Wason stated that this is specifically for concrete pours and nothing else. Karon made a motion to approve Closures and Lane Shifts at 115 E. Kirkwood for Odyssey Construction with a Noise Permit. Roach seconded. Cox Deckard called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

6. Resolution 2026-009 Authorization of Scheduling for the Noise permit Issued at 115 E. Kirkwood

Adam Wason, Public Works, presented Resolution 2026-009 Authorization of Scheduling for the Noise Permit Issued at 115 E. Kirkwood for approval. Resolution 2026-09 authorizes Wason or Andrew Cibor, City Engineer, to execute the noise permits for concrete pours for the previous agenda item. Karon asked if there was a difference in the numbering between resolution 2026-009 as written on the agenda and 2026-09 as written on the resolution. Wason said it should be 2026-09 and it was a typo. Karon made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-09 Authorization of Scheduling for the Noise permit Issued at 115 E. Kirkwood Lane Shifts at 115 E. Kirkwood for Odyssey Construction with a Noise Permit. Roach seconded. Cox Deckard called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

STAFF REPORTS & OTHER BUSINESS

Wason stated that the S. College road closure for the Convention Center, for the sky bridge construction has about a two day delay. It was supposed to go into effect first Sunday into Monday. They will be going live with the closure later this evening. He thanked all staff that was involved with the cleanup downtown Kirkwood after the

national championship victory. There were no serious injuries or vandalism and no broken windows or looting. A few street trees were lost, a couch fire was put out and some individuals were seen climbing on the snow plows.

Staff have been prepping this last week for the pending storm. In a 24 hour period the City received over a foot of snow. Wason thanked the crews for all their hard work getting things cleaned up after the winter storm. In our 2026 budgets there will be some pilot type of funding or trial funding that has been requested to help with snow removal from high pedestrian areas on monolithic sidewalks. Monolithic sidewalks mean there is no tree plot between the roadway and sidewalk. This means the snow has no other way to go but on the sidewalks. Staff are working on a contracted project to work on snow removal in those situations. Sanitation services will resume tomorrow. The City was on a two day delay and thanked the Sanitation crew for working through some of the challenges with the storm.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Karon made a motion to approve the Claims in the amount of \$9,133,554.14. Roach seconded. Cox Deckard called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Cox Deckard called for adjournment at 6:43pm.

Accepted By:

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Kyla Cox Deckard, President

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Elizabeth Karon, Vice President

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James Roach, Secretary

Date: 4/6/2026

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