

The Board of Public Works meeting was held on Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at 5:30 pm virtually through Zoom. Dana Palazzo presiding.

**REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF PUBLIC
WORKS**

Present: Dana Palazzo
Beth H. Hollingsworth
Kyla Cox Deckard

ROLL CALL

City Staff: Adam Wason – Public Works
April Rosenberger – Public Works
Daniel Dixon – City Legal
Jackie Moore – City Legal
Russell White – Engineering

Beth Hollingsworth thanked everyone in Public Works and in the City for the cleanup after the powerful storms the previous weekend. Kyla Cox Deckard echoed the gratitude to Public Works, Street, and Sanitation Departments for working hard to get the damage cleaned up. Also, thanked first responders and residents for coming together to support each other in such a difficult time. Dana Palazzo agreed and expressed her appreciation of all the city employees that worked over the Father's day weekend.

**MESSAGES FROM
BOARD MEMBERS**

Adam Wason, Public Works, spoke of the Lower Cascades/Old State Road 37 Road Closure Pilot Project Announcement. The project started in March of 2020 and included a .6 mile stretch of road closed to vehicular traffic to gauge the effects of using the section as bicycle and pedestrian facility only. This project was part of a Parks project investigating connectivity options. The project has garnered a lot of public feedback, both for and against. In the end, staff, with the support of the administration is to going to follow through with recommendation to reopen the roadway with some major improvements such as milling and paving, traffic calming devices, speed limit signs, and speed signage, while considering all future options for the roadway. He also mentioned that the past weekend's storms had done some serious damage to

STAFF REPORT

Lower Cascades/Old State
Road 37 Road Closure Pilot
Project Announcement

the roadway, which will also need to be repaired before the reopening of the road. See meeting packet for details.

Board Comments: Palazzo wanted to thank the Public Works and Parks staff for their communication along the way. Also thanked the residents for their feedback received either by completing online surveys or attending meetings. Hollingsworth and Cox Deckard agreed and echoed Palazzo's thanks.

Wason, Public Works, recommended opening comments to the public, and because of the number in attendance, limiting time to speak to 2-3 minutes.

Cox Deckard made a motion to approve Public Comment from individuals for up to three minutes on the Lower Cascades/Old State Road 37 Road Closure Pilot Project Announcement. Hollingsworth seconded. Palazzo took a roll call vote. Cox Deckard voted yes, Hollingsworth voted yes, Palazzo voted yes. Motion is passed.

Public Comments: Carole Canfield thanked City staff for all of the hard work put into this project, and is thrilled to hear that the road will be re-opened.

Greg Alexander is disappointed in the decision to reopen. He does not own a car and he and his two children ride their bikes and walk the paths frequently, and he does not feel like they can do so safely if the road is open to vehicular traffic.

Deborah Myerson appreciates and supports Greg Alexander's comments. Since this project started during COVID, she would really like to see the pilot extended when there is typical usage. Sue Sgambelluri, City Council, thanked the staff of Public Works and Parks for their work.

Wason read a comment left via chat by Kelly Clark: Thank you to the Parks and Recreation staff who reviewed and compiled the Impact Survey results. You have heard the voices of near north side residents most affected by this closure that has already gone on for nearly three times the original pilot period. As a member of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Commission, I am thrilled to see the many safety improvements scheduled prior to the road's reopening this fall.

Matt Flaherty, City Council, expressed his concern of the amount of money that has already been spent on this project, along with other impacts on the project.

Wason asked if there are any other comments. None in chat, and no hands raised.

Wason continued Staff Report by expressing gratitude to all the staff and colleagues that were out over the past weekend, working through the severe weather event. In particular, Wason wanted to thank Michael Large, Public Works, Ron Payton, Joe VanDenventer, Dan Bitner, Herb Kinser, and Mike Stinson of the Street Division. Also, JD Boruff, Facilities Maintenance, the Utilities Department and the Fire and Police Departments. Mary Catherine Carmichael, Office of the Mayor, commented in chat; please add the admiration of the Office of the Mayor to Adam's comments

Wason read comment on Lower Cascades closure received in chat from Susan Glowacz: I appreciate all of the comments offered and the efforts of the various commissioners re: the Lower Cascades. I look forward to the improvements, but also am hopeful that the road can be closed in the future to support the health of the ecosystem, pedestrians and bicyclists, and connectivity throughout Bloomington.

Jim Shelton, Chamber of Commerce, wanted to thank all of the City entities for all of their help during the weekend's storms. On a personal note, wanted to express thanks for the reorganization of Sare, College Mall, East Moores Pike and Hillside Drive. He feels like the design is effective in moving cars and is extremely safe for pedestrians and bicyclists.

Daniel Dixon, City Legal, presented Abatement at 668 N. Meadowlark Lane. See meeting packet for details.

Board Comments: none

Hollingsworth made a motion to approve the continuous Abatement at 668 N. Meadowlark Lane. Cox Deckard seconded. Palazzo took a roll call vote. Hollingsworth voted yes, Cox Deckard voted yes, Palazzo voted yes. Motion is passed.

Daniel Dixon, City Legal presented Abatement at 740 S. Westwood. See meeting packet for details.

Board Comments: none

Hollingsworth made a motion to approve the continuous Abatement at 740 S. Westwood Drive. Cox Deckard seconded. Palazzo took a roll call vote. Hollingsworth voted yes, Cox Deckard voted yes, Palazzo voted yes. Motion is passed.

**PETITIONS AND
REMONSTRANCES**

**TITLE VI
ENFORCEMENT
Abatement at 668 N.
Meadowlark Lane**

**Abatement at 740 S.
Westwood Drive**

Daniel Dixon, City Legal, presented Abatement at 1450 North Willis Drive. See meeting packet for details.

Abatement at 1450 North Willis Drive.

Board Comments: none

Hollingsworth made a motion to approve the continuous Abatement at 1450 North Willis Drive. Cox Deckard seconded. Palazzo took a roll call vote. Hollingsworth voted yes, Cox Deckard voted yes, Palazzo voted yes. Motion is passed.

Daniel Dixon, City Legal, presented Abatement at 1633 S. Pinestone Court. See meeting packet for details.

Abatement at 1633 S. Pinestone Court

Board Comments: none

Mary Catherine Carmichael, Office of the Mayor, commented in favor of the continuous abatement of this property. She spoke of how she continues to hear from people in the area of the impacts the overgrowth is causing to their properties.

Hollingsworth made a motion to approve the continuous Abatement at 1633 S. Pinestone Court. Cox Deckard seconded. Palazzo took a roll call vote. Hollingsworth voted yes, Cox Deckard voted yes, Palazzo voted yes. Motion is passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes – June 08, 2021
2. Resolution 2021-18 Hoosiers Outrun Cancer 5K (Saturday, September 25, 2021)
3. Resolution 2021-19 El Mercado Market (3rd Sunday of every Month thru December 2021)
4. Resolution 2021-20 Tamarron Picnic Block Party (Saturday, October 09, 2021)
5. Resolution 2021-22 Renew Mobile Vendor in Public Right-of-Way; JD’s Taste of Chicago
6. Resolution 2021-23 Renew Mobile Vendor in Public Right-of-Way; Wever’s Smoke Eaters BBQ
7. Resolution 2021-24 BPW Electronic Meetings Policy
8. Revised Outdoor Lighting Service Agreement, Phase 1 of Showers Complex

9. Addendum #1 to Service Agreement with KONE
10. Addendum #1 to Service Agreement with Ann-Kriss
11. Noise Permit request from Lighthouse Community Church for Outdoor Church Service (July 4, 2021 and September 5, 2021)
12. Approval of Payroll

Hollingsworth made a motion to approve Consent Agenda. Cox Deckard seconded. Palazzo took a roll call vote. Hollingsworth voted yes, Cox Deckard voted yes, Palazzo voted yes. Motion is passed.

Russell White, Engineering, presented Change Order #1 for the East Allen Street Traffic Calming Project. See meeting packet for details.

Board Comments: None.

Hollingsworth made a motion to approve Change Order #1 for the East Allen Street Traffic Calming Project. Cox Deckard seconded. Palazzo took a roll call vote. Hollingsworth voted yes, Cox Deckard voted yes, Palazzo voted yes. Motion is passed.

Russell White, Engineering, presented Change Order #1 for the Moores Pike and Smith Road Project. See meeting packet for details.

Board Comments

Hollingsworth made a motion to approve Change Order #1 for the Moores Pike and Smith Road Project. Cox Deckard seconded. Palazzo took a roll call vote. Hollingsworth voted yes, Cox Deckard voted yes, Palazzo voted yes. Motion is passed.

Adam Wason, on behalf of Paul Kehrberg, Engineering, presented Request from Reed & Sons for Full Street Closure on W. 1st Street. Wason commented that Reed & Sons is a subcontractor for Pepper and Pepper, who have been contracted to build a new hospital ambulatory facility on West 1st Street between Rogers and Walker. The closure is for some utility work across the roadway to facilitate the further construction of this facility. See meeting packet for details.

NEW BUSINESS
Change Order #1 for the East Allen Street Traffic Calming Project

Change Order #1 for the Moores Pike and Smith Road Project

Request from Reed & Sons for Full Street Closure on W. 1st Street

Board Comments: Cox Deckard commented that she is glad to hear about the coordination efforts for the ambulance service.

Hollingsworth made a motion to approve Request from Reed & Sons for Full Street Closure on W. 1st Street. Cox Deckard seconded. Palazzo took a roll call vote. Hollingsworth voted yes, Cox Deckard voted yes, Palazzo voted yes. Motion is passed.

Staff Reports were addressed at beginning of meeting.

**STAFF REPORTS AND
OTHER BUSINESS**

Hollingsworth made a motion to approve claims in the amount of \$731,719.21 Cox Deckard seconded. Palazzo took a roll call vote. Hollingsworth voted yes, Cox Deckard voted yes, Palazzo voted yes. Motion is passed.

CLAIMS

Palazzo called for adjournment at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Accepted By:

Dana Palazzo, President

Beth H. Hollingsworth, Vice-President

Kyla Cox Deckard, Secretary

Date:

Attest to: