

City of Gilbert
Minutes of City Council Working Session
Tuesday, March 10, 2020
Council Chambers

Mayor Oberstar called the meeting to order at 5:17 p.m.

Call to order.

- Call to Order
- Ongoing Capital Projects
- Phase 1 and Phase 2 additional cost due to additions on poles. Police surveillance cameras, flag and banner brackets on posts, pole height, outlets for decoration lights.
- MnDOT original cost \$322,000 with half (\$161,000) paid by MnDOT, remainder paid by City of Gilbert. New total with additions \$477, 506. MN dot will pay only \$161,000 which is half of original cost agreement of \$322,000. Additional cost difference to be paid by city.
- Existing banner and flag holder cannot be used due to deterioration. Clamp-on holders less expensive option.
- City Utility work estimate \$619,197. Sidewalk project Broadway to Alaska discussion.
- Pulls request Doug Kerfeld give exact cost information at March 24, 2020 City Council meeting.
- \$2,600,000 total project price. Fayal and funding discussion.
- Funding interest rate at 2% currently. Phase 1 needs funding in place now.
- East French, Sparta removed from project. Phase 1: IRRR grant awarded \$250,000, CDBG grant \$170,000. Phase 2: IRRR grant pending.
- Phase 1 and 2 approximate total project cost \$8,640,000 million. \$2,800,000 cost to City of Gilbert after funding and grants.
- Bonding, payback, utility rates and cost to city residents discussion.
- Estimated reading on 200-300 meters, approximately 25% meters don't work. Discussion
- New auto-read meters will save much staff time, current working meters are obsolete and inaccurate. Most current city meters are from mid to late 1990's. Water meters have a 20 year lifespan.
- Analog meters option. Some French avenue residents do not want paving.
- No assessments on Phase 1, assessment hearing at a later date.
- Infrastructure work tied to CDBG award -- funds to be allocated.
- Ehlers needs a dollar amount to proceed.
- Special assessments for streets.
- Funding timeline, special street assessment discussion.
- Water Plant Project Upgrades- SEH additional cost \$150,000, funding options.
- Mayor discusses importance of main street infrastructure repair, to prevent future problems.
- Levy bonds drop-off and subsequent allocation discussion.

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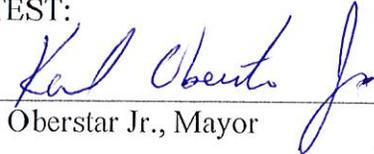
- Community Center boiler and bathrooms repair, handicap accessibility. \$400,000-600,000 estimate for new boiler system. Forced air heating option.
- \$100,000-\$160,000 estimate per bathroom/renovate/handicap accessible.
- Water plant upgrades funding. Cost to come from water fund, payback at \$.75 per month/per resident.
- Shared Services Study Fire Department report. Discussion to define Partial Merger. GFD/unified equipment, joint training. GFD present decision regarding Joint Shared Fire Services to city council meeting April 14, 2020.
- Robich 03/09/2020 Joint Fire meeting report, Fayal authorized a full merger.

Any other additional issues or concerns

Adjourn

Motion by Pulles, second by Leoni to adjourn meeting at 6:20 P.M. MCU

ATTEST:



Karl Oberstar Jr., Mayor



James Paulsen, Executive Administrative Clerk