

MINUTES - ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING 4.21.2016

The meeting was called to order @ 6:00 PM, Thursday, April 21, 2016, in the North Conference room @ 21630 11th Avenue South, Des Moines with the following in attendance:

Council Members

Robert Back, Chair

Melissa Musser

Matt Pina

City Staff

Tony Piasecki, City Manager

Dan Brewer, PBPW Director

Loren Reinhold, SWM Utility Manager

Tyler Beekley, Water Quality Specialist

Peggy Volin, Admin Asst II

Austin Fisher, Consultant

AGENDA:

1. Approve minutes of the 2.18.2016 meeting
2. LID Preliminary Assessment of Code and Policies
3. Update on CMP Pipe Replacement Inventory
4. Highline Water District Comprehensive Water Plan
5. WRIA 9 Update

MEETING:

1. Approve the minutes of the February 18, 2016 meeting: Unanimously approved.
2. LID Preliminary Assessment of Code and Policies: SWM Engineering Manager Loren Reinhold introduced Parametrix Consultant Austin Fisher who has been retained to help the City with the codes and policies relating to the required integration of Low Impact Development (LID). Austin briefed the Committee on the purpose of LID which relates to how the City is going to integrate low impact development into its local development-related codes, rules, standards, and other enforceable documents (collectively referred to as the "code policies") pursuant to the 2013-2018 Western Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit, Section S5.C4 (f). Revisions to the code and policies will be designated to minimize impervious surfaces, retain native vegetation and reduce stormwater runoff in all types of development situations.

3. Update on CMP Pipe Replacement Inventory: SWM Engineering Manager Loren Reinhold briefed the Committee on the steps that are being taken to physically inspect all City catch basins and camera the pipes to see what sort of repair or replacements need to be made City-wide.
4. Highline Water District Comprehensive Water Plan: SWM Engineering Manager Loren Reinhold provided the Committee with a copy of the Agency Review Draft of the Highline Water District Water System Plan which updates the 2008 HWD Comprehensive Water System Plan in accordance with the WAC 246-290-100 and the WA State Department of Health requirements. The plan proposes 2.60% rate increases for years 2017-2020 and a significant asbestos pipe replacement program of \$4.9M annually beginning in 2019 starting with the smaller 4-inch pipes that are more prone to breaking. A couple of small pipe upgrades were identified in Des Moines for improving fire flow and pressure and a study is recommended to look into operations changes in the vicinity of Interstate 5 and 216th Street to improve fire flow and pressure in that area and possibly creating a new pressure zone. The Committee directed staff to send the Final Plan to Council for adoption when ready.
5. WRIA 9 Update: SWM Engineering Manager Loren Reinhold briefed the Committee on the proposed Saltwater State Park Shoreline Habitat Restoration Project and let them know there might be some interest from the State in purchasing the properties on the bluff that are in danger of sliding and including it into the State Park. Also, a motion was made and passed to appoint Loren Reinhold as the second alternate to represent Des Moines at the WRIA 9 Watershed Ecosystem Forum. Councilmember Vic Pennington is the current representative for the City.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm

Minutes respectfully Submitted by: Peggy Volin, Admin Asst II