



MINUTES OF THE IMPROVEMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 2021, 6:00 PM

Immediately following Park Committee which begins at 5 P.M.

Virtual Meeting. Public may join via Zoom.

A. ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION.

I. This item contains documents which provide call in information and instructions for the Zoom meeting.

B. ROLL CALL.

Present: Ald. Chris Wery, Ald. Randy Scannell, Ald. Lynn Gerlach, Ald. Jesse Brunette

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to approve the agenda of the Wednesday, April 28, 2021 Improvement and Services Committee meeting. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Lynn Gerlach, Randy Scannell, No- None, Abstain- None

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to approve the minutes of the Wednesday, April 14, 2021 Improvement and Services Committee meeting. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Lynn Gerlach, Randy Scannell, No- None, Abstain- None

E. REGULAR BUSINESS.

I. Consideration with possible action on request by resident at 1604 Hillcrest Drive to extend the payback period and waive the interest for the water assessments associated with the Hillcrest Drive Reconstruction project (held at the April 14, 2021 Improvement and Services Committee meeting).

Moved by Ald. Jesse Brunette, seconded by Ald. Randy Scannell to hold until the May 12, 2021 Improvement and Services Committee meeting the request by resident at 1604 Hillcrest Drive to extend the payback period and waive the interest for the water assessments associated with the Hillcrest Drive Reconstruction project. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Lynn Gerlach, Randy Scannell, No- None, Abstain- None

2. Consideration with possible action to complete the sidewalk study and estimate the cost of installation on request to install sidewalks on the east side of N. Irwin Avenue from St. Clair Street to the East River (referred to staff at the March 10, 2021 Improvement & Services Committee meeting). (Ald. Galvin)

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Lynn Gerlach to receive and place on file the report of the sidewalk study and estimate of the cost of installation on request to install sidewalks on the east side of N. Irwin Avenue from St. Clair Street to the East River. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Lynn Gerlach, Randy Scannell, No- None, Abstain- None

3. Consideration with possible action on how the City of Green Bay can achieve an annual 3% replacement rate of its roads. The action plan would include anticipated increased borrowing requests. (Ald. Wery)

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Lynn Gerlach to hold until the May 12, 2021 Improvement and Services Committee meeting on how the City of Green Bay can achieve an annual 3% replacement rate of its roads. The action plan would include anticipated increased borrowing requests. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Lynn Gerlach, Randy Scannell, No- None, Abstain- None

4. Report of the Purchasing Manager with notification of purchase of pumps for East Shore Drive lift stations totaling \$25,598. Sole source document attached. Purchase made to meet time deadlines with report out to Committee after the fact.

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to receive and place on file the report of the Purchasing Manager with notification of purchase of pumps for East Shore Drive lift stations totaling \$25,598. Sole source document attached. Purchase made to meet time deadlines with report out to Committee after the fact. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Lynn Gerlach, Randy Scannell, No- None, Abstain- None

5. Report the award of the contract CLERK'S OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM.

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to receive and place on file the report of award of the contract CLERK'S OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM to the low responsive bidder, Milbach Construction Services Co., in the amount of \$38,750. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Lynn Gerlach, Randy Scannell, No- None, Abstain- None

6. Consideration with possible action on the review and award of the following contracts:

A. RAMPS 2-21 PARKING RAMP REPAIRS

B. RESURFACING 1-21

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Lynn Gerlach to approve the award of the following contracts:

A. RAMPS 2-21 PARKING RAMP REPAIRS to the low responsive bidder, RAM Construction Services of Minnesota, LLC, in the amount of \$384,979.50.

B. RESURFACING 1-21

Part A to the low responsive bidder, Martell Construction, in the amount of \$481,990.

Part B to the low responsive bidder, MCC, Inc., in the amount of \$1,449,949.65.

Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Lynn Gerlach, Randy Scannell, No- None, Abstain- None

7. Report of actions taken by Department of Public Works

A. Granting of Licenses

I. Sidewalk Builder

- a. Brian's Quality Concrete Inc.
- b. Bryan McEwen Concrete, LLC
- c. NEW Concrete
- d. Precision Flatwork

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Lynn Gerlach to receive and place on file the report of actions taken by Department of Public Works. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Lynn Gerlach, Randy Scannell, No- None, Abstain- None

F. INFORMATIONAL.

I. Director's Report on recent activities of the Public Works Department.

Moved by Ald. Randy Scannell, seconded by Ald. Jesse Brunette to receive and place on file the Director's Report on recent activities of the Public Works Department. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Lynn Gerlach, Randy Scannell, No- None, Abstain- None

2. The next Improvement and Services Committee meeting is scheduled for May 12, 2021.

G. ADJOURNMENT.

Moved by Ald. Jesse Brunette, seconded by Ald. Randy Scannell to approve to adjourn the Improvement and Services Committee meeting. Motion carried. Vote: Yes- Chris Wery, Jesse Brunette, Lynn Gerlach, Randy Scannell, No- None, Abstain- None

VERBATIM MINUTES.

- Motion by Alder Scannell, second by Alder Brunette. Any changes there? Those in favor?
- Aye.
- Aye.
- Opposed, motion carried all. All right, we'll go on to regular business. Everything tonight that we do is a recommendation to council next Tuesday at 6:00, not that we aren't always right. Number one is consideration and possible action on request by resident at 1604 Hillcrest Drive to extend the payback period and waive the interest for the water assessments associated with the Hillcrest Drive reconstruction project.
- Director, is that right, Jesse, Alder Brunette?
- Yeah.
- Yeah, okay.
- At our last meeting, Assistant Attorney Mather identified that under ordinance, one of the items that needs to be satisfied to allow for the assessment to be extended out to a maximum of 10 years is a demonstration of hardship on behalf of the applicant. Over the past two weeks we have not heard anything from the applicant. So we have not yet received that demonstration or any documentation indicating what type of hardship the applicant has. So staff would recommend that this be held for two weeks so we can try to establish contact with the resident so he can make that demonstration. And then the council would have that documentation to review.
- All right, Alder Brunette.
- Yeah, I support that. In fact, Director Grenier, I noticed he must have left me a message right before the parks meeting. I have not listened to it. So I wanna help and I wanna, I wanna help, but I think my role is to get him connected to staff.
- Absolutely.
- And so I'm, I agree. A motion to hold would be appropriate.
- Second.
- All right, there's a motion Brunette, second by Alder Scannell to hold item one until our next meeting. Any discussion on that? All right, those in favor.
- [Group] Aye.
- Opposed, that item carries. Number two, consideration with possible action to complete the sidewalk study and estimate cost of installation, estimate the cost, there we go, cost of installation on

the east side of North Irwin Avenue from St. Clair Street to the East River. This was referred from March 10th. Director.

- Okay, this was referred to staff for study. So in the packet we've included a memo that was prepared by Dave Hansen, the traffic engineer. Dave has summarized the situation over there, indicating that there appears to be a remnant of an old historic sidewalk on the first property north of St. Clair on the east side of Irwin, but it has been many, many years that sidewalk has been in disrepair. And there are just little pieces of concrete buried in the grass over there now. North Irwin Avenue between St. Clair and the East River is an unimproved street. It's largely gravel and has not been graded out for an improved surface. So one of the things that Mr. Hansen has recommended is that, given the situation with the road being in the condition that it's in, if we were simply to retrofit sidewalks in at this time there's a good probability that the sidewalks would quickly fall into disrepair, because water rolling off of the street has no curb and gutter. There's no stormwater out there to manage that. And the water would pond on the sidewalks, and through freeze-thaw action we would have some issues out there. So the very short executive summary that I can give to you, although the ordinance calls for roads such as this to have sidewalk on one, preferably both sides, the recommendation from staff would be to order the sidewalks installed on the east side, or possibly both sides, at such time that that block of North Irwin Avenue is reconstructed or improved. I can tell you that at this point in time, that block is not on our radar. However, we do go back, and this is a road rating year. So staff is out right now doing the on all the road segments within the city of Green Bay, and we oftentimes do take those revised ratings under consideration when recommending changes to the five-year capital program. And we can definitely revisit this block to see if improvements to the road surface are warranted at some point here within the next five years. And then, again, if the recommendation is followed, sidewalks would be installed at that time.

- All right, any questions from the committee?

- So would you recommend holding or just receiving it, placing it on file, and this would come back at the appropriate time or?

- Receive and place on file the report?

- Motion to receive and place on file the report.

- Second

- There was a request by, or motion by Alder Scannell, second by Alder Gerlach to receive and place on file the report. Any discussion under that? Steve, did this initially come from Alder Galvin or was this from the resident?

- It was from Alder, through Alder Galvin from the resident. So I, we can definitely communicate with Alder Galvin to let him know what happened at committee tonight.

- Is there discussion on this item?

- Those in favor.

- Aye.

- Aye.

- Opposed, motion carried. Number three, consideration with possible action on how the city of Green Bay can achieve an annual 3% replacement rate of its roads. The actual plan would include anticipated increased borrowing requests. Alder Wery, as someone who's been on the high nest, I'm sure everybody, we've been talking about this for a lot of years, Steve, I know we talk to . And I know it involves all those other parts that we've talked about. And I know Nancy as well, and we exchanged emails earlier this week to see what we can do since we're right now planning for our future on everything. Steve.

- So Assistant Director Brunette took this on. And what we did is took a look at our average, some average annual costing and what our current baseline is. Our current baseline is about 32,000 linear feet of roadway. That is about 1.35% of our total roads. Now, bear in mind, that's kind of an inflated figure or kind of a deflated figure, because that was calculated off of 457.57 centerline miles of roadway in the city. That also, that number includes the connecting highways and some other roadways that are county highways not under our jurisdiction. So I apologize, I don't have the roadway statistics in front of me right now.

- I thought when we discussed this last fall that we were at like 2%, or a little over two, like 2.1 or two, something like that.

- Yeah, and again, I don't necessarily have the numbers, but Jim calced it based off of gross road miles. So, in order to extend up based on the gross miles, we would have to increase by an additional 126% of what we're currently doing. We are currently completing about \$10 million a year in pavement, \$5 million a year in sanitary, \$11.3 million in storm, and about \$4 million a year in water main work. Assuming that stays the same, and increasing it by 126%, that would bring us up for an additional \$12.6 million for pavement, which would be levy supported borrowing, an additional \$6.3 million in sanitary sewer, which is covered by the sanitary charges, an additional \$14.2 million in storm sewer, which is covered by our storm water user fees, and an additional \$5 million for water main, which would be covered by the water rates. That's just gross construction costs. We also have to take into consideration inspection, construction administration, and design services. We would have to subcontract that out, or we would have to hire additional staff in construction to oversee the contract administration and design. We're estimating construction admin and inspection to be just a little bit more than an additional 1.8 million per year. And design, we took a look at the country club road project, being a recent project that we put out for consultant design. That project is about 4,000 feet long, and the cost to do the design was about \$233,000. Prorating that out over the almost 40,500 additional feet in the project, we're looking at an additional \$2.3 million or so in design services. So the total estimated cost for the year, each year, to go up from our current level up to 3% is estimated to be somewhere in the neighborhood of about \$40 million.

- Now, Steve, I'm going to stop it here I guess, because in our previous discussions, and I know you don't have the numbers, but we were always over 2%. We were always at 2.1, I've used it in my flyers for, because I've asked staff where are we, 2.1, 2.2, somewhere in there. So we go up from 1.3 to 3% is gonna be a dramatic hit, but when we use the other number, I don't know what we're base lining it off of, I think you're gonna see different amounts, obviously. So I'm not really prepared to talk about it based on the 1.35%. I don't know if we need to go back and find out why percent.

- We can definitely bring this back at the next meeting.

- I think that might be needed just because I think on baseline so it's, we're not tripling the amount, we're adding a 0.7% more to get it to three, and that's gonna drastically change those numbers. Right, you're... Assuming we're going from about a 2.1, 2.2 up to a 3%, we're probably looking at an additional 20 million or so per year. Yeah, and that's, I mean, not that's not a large amount, but if we could get those statistics, I think that would give us something actual to talk about.

- Sounds good.

- I know other, like, De Pere is about three and a half percent, whatever they do, if other municipalities can do it there's no reason we can't. Probably one of the number one things we hear is get the roads done. So if we can show in our planning that we're doing right now that we're trying to do more every year, it doesn't have to 1% in one year. If it goes up 0.1% or 0.2 every year for five years, now that's progress taking this seriously. But what does the committee think?

- Motion to hold.

- Okay, I think we need the better numbers. There's a motion by Alder Scannell.

- I'll second it.

- Second by Alder Gerlach.

- Yeah, Steve, if you could look back and see what we base those numbers off of. 'Cause I know I've used it in my newsletter many times that we're 2.2 or three, something like that, and then base our numbers off of that I'd appreciate it. And sorry, Nancy didn't get to talk unless you wanted to add something in before we refer it.

- No, I think that, and I can work with Steve, too. We were just estimating if we had to put the amount of water main replacements up to what the streets were that we'd have about a 25 to 30% rate increase is what I emailed you is what we calculated. Because we just did like a 4% rate increase and we got about \$800,000 additional revenue. So we'd have to get it up there to do that. I know we, and I think, it would be nice if Steve and I could do the plan and be able to get up there, because we do. I mean, our whole goal is to replace more infrastructure, and we certainly wanna work with them to try to accomplish that. There's some national infrastructure bills that might be coming down that might be able to help us. And so we gotta take advantage of those if they do come and stuff. So I'll be talking really closely with Steve, too.

- Yeah, if you could, talk over the next week or two, and that would be excellent.

- Great.

- Appreciate it, Nancy. I like your back. Any other questions?

- It's up in Crivitz. I did a waterfall tour last fall.

- Very relaxing.

- Thank you.

- I appreciate you coming today. All right, well, if there's no other comments then those in favor of referring this to staff.

- Holding, holding.

- Holding, holding this item for two weeks, yes, so we can correct numbers and work with Nancy. All right, those in favor.

- [Group] Aye.

- Opposed, motion carried. Thanks, Steve, I appreciate it. Thanks, Nancy. Number four, report of the purchasing manager with notifications and purchase of pumps for East Shore Drive lift station totalling 25,598, Sole Source document attached. Purchase made to meet fine deadlines with report out to committee after the fact.

- Okay, so included in the packet is a report from the purchasing agent, Calvin Winters, and in there are a variety, a number of pieces of information. First of which is Calvin's summary document. Then there is the request of approval for a no substitute. As we've told you on a number of these types of purchases in the past our utility section has settled on the Flygt brand of pumps as a standard for both our sanitary and storm lift stations. This has been through many years of evaluation and utilization. The Flygt pumps are a longterm, dependable piece of equipment. And we standardized on a single manufacturer both from a ease of maintenance perspective for routine maintenance that our staff has to do. They're familiar with a pump manufacturer. So it increases the efficiency of staff when they have to diagnose and or maintain one of these pumps in the field. Flygt is a local company. I believe they're down in, our representative is down in the Milwaukee area, so we get immediate turnaround if it's a major problem or we have to pull the pump and send it in. So that's why we standardized on the Flygt. Purchasing department concurs with our recommendation on that. So we did have a pump that needed to be replaced. There was a timeliness aspect to that, which Mr. Winters refers to in his document. So we pick the two submersible pumps up and are reporting them out at this time as purchasing department gave us the authorization to acquire those pumps to meet the need.

- Okay. And we're just approving something already done. So I don't Motion to receive and place on file.

- Yes.

- Second.

- Motion by Alder Scannell, second by Alder Brunette to receive and place on file. Any questions? Those in favor?

- [Group] Aye.

- Opposed, that carries. Five is the report of the contract clerk's office conference room.

- And this was one that we had talked to you about at the last meeting and got concurrence to award this one at a staff level because of the timeliness on it. We were utilizing, I believe, this is still utilizing some of that election money. So I apologize, it's not in the-

- Alder Brunette.

- Yeah, Director Grenier, we were emailed the bid. I think it was 38,000. Only one bid was received or one was accepted. I believe at the last meeting we were told the budget would be like 20,000. So I'm a little alarmed to see 38,000, especially with a single bid. But from what I understand, you are correct. Two weeks ago Clerk Jeffreys indicated the funds were CT, the Center for Tech and Civic Life grant. So as far as one bid over than what we wanted it's money that the city had received from an outside source. So although I'm concerned about one bid and it almost double what the cost was we were told last week or two weeks ago, money that is not coming out of our levy. So I'm just wondering what, can you give us a little more background on that bid?

- I wish I had answers. They're just, all I can figure is it was specialty construction. It's not... Any time you do a rehab as opposed to new construction you're gonna pay a premium. And, it just, it could be a function of time of year. It could be a function of a combination of the time of the year and the deadlines for getting the work completed. It could have something to do with work in a public facility. There's any number of these factors that caused these smaller contractors. And that's what we're looking at is more of a remodeling type contractor as opposed to a building contractor to come in. There's all kinds of these things that cause these guys to shy away from not wanting to submit a bid. And then it's not altogether uncommon that we see on small projects like this, small scope projects. Sometimes the contractors make sure that they've got some insulation in that bid just in case.

- I mean the merits of the project, no problem. Clerk Jeffreys explained it, it makes sense. It's gonna help with counting ballots, or however she explained it it made a lot of sense. That would be my concern.

- Essentially they're creating a storage room for all of the equipment.

- Right, that's what it was.

- Any other questions from committee?

- Motion to receive and place, ope, no.

- Alder Gerlach .

- I would be any harm done if we were to hold this and get some answers to those questions that Alder Brunette brought up.

- Well, we can definitely get the answers, but we've already awarded the contract.

- That's right, yes.

- It's just that I just hate to add on to this election CTCL story. And the bid went from, I mean the estimate went from \$20,000 to \$38,000. That's, you know, I just don't like it. I hear what Alder Brunette is saying. It's just kind of a real surprise, but nothing we can do, right?

- Correct.

- Okay.

- So yeah, before I remember that we had given the authority on the bid to Public Works I was gonna recommend forwarding on to council with no recommendation and pulling it there. But I think, Alder Scannell, you were gonna make a motion to receive and place on file. If you don't want, yeah. I'd second that motion.

- Then Alder Scannell, you made the motion to receive and place on file, Brunette seconded it. Any discussion? Yeah, it's been awarded already, and obviously it's from private funds, and we had the amount and staff fine with it.

- And I-

- They used, yeah.

- I did just get some information from Assistant Director Brunette. He said three things contributed to lack of bidders and the cost being substantially higher than what we were expecting. Building material costs, especially this type of building material are going up. So that may have been higher than what we were using for the original estimate. There was a very tight timeframe associated with the construction, and the money has to be spent by a certain date under the conditions of that grant. So when you compress timeframes and things like that, that's when guys are gonna have to either work overtime or bring additional staff in that they hadn't anticipated. So that definitely could have, we're talking about almost a 50% increase over the original estimate. That would definitely explain it.

- This is for Lynn. No advisors are coming in to oversee the work?

- Me, I'm over it.

- She's not even laughing . As for Randy then, okay. All right, well, we have a motion and a second to receive and place on file. Those in favor.

- [Group] Aye.

- Opposed, motion carried.

- And, we're already on the report by Department of Public Works a granting of license to sidewalk builder, A. Brian's Quality Concrete, B. Concrete, D. Precision Flatwork. Those are all licenses granted . No? Receive and place on file?

- Motion to, well it's just that to review or to approve?

- These are already granted.

- We went onto the granting of licenses. We're gonna have to go back and pick up the two contracts.
- I'll just make a motion to approve.
- Okay, motion to approve.
- Second.
- Second by Alder Gerlach.
- Aye.
- Opposed, motion carried. Now, Steve, what were you mentioning? We had to go back for something?
- We've got to go back for item six. We skipped over the award of two contracts. We took item five, which was report of the clerk-
- My agenda goes five, seven, six . Yeah, mine goes five, seven, six. I didn't even notice that. All right, number six, consideration of possible action on the review and award of the following contracts, A is ramps 2-21, parking ramp repairs, and B is resurfacing. So A, ramps.
- Okay, ramps 2-21. This is one that we've talked about in previous years where Central Restoration has largely been the sole bidder. This year, for whatever reason, we did get three bidders, which is good to see. Low responsive bidder was Ram Construction Services of Minnesota, LLC in the amount of \$384,979.50. This is funded by the parking utility. So this comes of our operating funds there. So we are good with that. So that staff's recommendation would be to award to Ram Construction in the amount of 384,979.50
- Motion to approve the award.
- Second.
- With a blue ribbon.
- Motion by Alder Scannell, second by Alder Gerlach to award as stated by Director Grenier. Any discussions? Those in favor.
- [Group] Aye.
- Opposed, motion carries.
- Resurfacing 1-21. This is a two-part contract. Part A is pavement repairs, curb and gutter, sidewalks, that need to be completed prior to doing the actual asphalt resurfacing each year. And then the part B is the asphalt contract itself. For part A, we received three bids, Martell Construction, Fischer-Ulman, and Summers. All three contractors we've worked with in the past. All three are very good. Martell Construction here in Green Bay being the low responsive responsible bidder in the amount

of \$481,990. For the asphalt portion, MCC and Northeast Asphalt. Again, two contractors we have worked with extensively in the past and are satisfied with the work out of both. MCC Incorporated being the low responsive responsible bidder in the amount of \$1,449,949.65. Staff recommends award of contracts to the low responsive responsible bidder for each part.

- Motion to approve.

- All right, motion by Alder Scannell.

- Second.

- Second by Alder Brunette to Martell Construction and MCC Inc, the low responsive bidders, responsive responsible. Any discussion? Those in favor.

- Aye.

- Opposed, motion carried. Well, we can't be on informational already. Can we?

- Absolutely. Just one item that I have for you tonight under director's report. Operations manager Chris Pirlot has been updating daily the information relative to spring yard waste collections and what our status is. We are reaching between 802,000 people a day with that communication. So folks are definitely tuning in. We're averaging about 13 to 1700 most days. So folks are definitely keeping an eye on what's going on. We do hear a lot of positive feedback from the community on that, knowing approximately, within a day or two, when they might be able to expect somebody coming through their neighborhood. Status update, as of this morning on the east side of the city we had two rounds complete and we were approximately 60% through round three. West side of the city, two rounds complete and approximately 50% complete with round three. Reports coming back from staff in the field just indicating there's substantially more material placed out for construction on the west side than there had been on the east side, but the east side is starting to catch up. So I think with those couple of warm days we had a couple of weeks ago, folks on the west side took the opportunity to go out and get a little exercise in the yard, and maybe some of the east sides were just kicking back and relaxing. And now they're having to catch up to the west side folks.

- And Steve, I will say, overall, an excellent job. I really, I haven't had any complaints. I had two queries about the city moving a brush pile into the street and then it not being picked up 'til the next day. I don't know if we just got way ahead of ourselves, or if maybe the second crew just missed. And that's, like I said, a flyer, but just wanted to let you know.

- Yeah, every now and then the pull crew gets a little bit ahead of the scooping crew and that'll happen.

- Alder Brunette.

- Yeah, and Director Grenier, they are incredibly efficient. It's a beautiful thing to watch. I'll wake up in the morning and my leaves will be in the street. And then they're just zippin', it's just, you do a really good job with that. One thing I just ask though, and I don't know if you'll get to this in your director's report, but when you were gone I had engaged with we were allowed to vote a constituent

idea about fall loose-leaf collection. I don't know if you had a chance to review that at a staff level, but if you could just have him give me a call or send me an email

- I believe that will be going onto the next agenda. Pirlot actually has been working on a report on that.

- Okay, okay, thank you. He's efficient as well. You've got an efficient bunch there.

- I will tell you, I've mentioned, I've mentioned it in the past and director's report is as good a place to as any to mention it again, I have spent more time away from work due to this surgery than I have in my prior 30 years of employment combined, and probably more than double on this surgery. So I was very concerned. I don't spend a lotta time outside the office. I'm there quite a bit. And that was the biggest concern I had going in to have the surgery done was I was not going to be available. I was not going to be around. I brag about my staff all the time, and I'm gonna take this opportunity to do the same. Especially my management staff has done a phenomenal job stepping in and helping to not only plug the gaps, but keep things running very, very efficiently. So I'm very, very pleased. Jim Brunette, who's in the meeting with us, Matt Heckenlaible in the utilities division, Chris Pirlot heading up operations division, and the assistant city engineers and then the superintendents over in operations division, they've all been doing a fantastic job, and things have just continued to chug along. When I, up until this week, when I've had the opportunity, I checked in when I could. It hasn't been as frequently as I would, I had hoped. But yeah, the staff deserves a lot of that credit. They really have stepped up and done a fantastic job.

- I'll second that. Yeah, sure.

- Anything else, Steve, you needed to add under directors report? Any questions?

- No, sir.

- Okay.

- Motion to receive and place on file.

- Second.

- Motion by Alder Scannell, second by Alder Brunette to receive and place on file. Next meeting May 12th.

- We didn't vote on that. Next improvement and service committee is for May 12th.

- We didn't vote on the motion.

- We didn't vote on the receive and place on file.

- Oh we didn't, okay, those in favor of receive and placed on file.

- [Group] Aye.

- Opposed, all right, that carries.
- Motion to adjourn.
- Motion to adjourn.
- Second.
- Motion to adjourn Alder Brunette, Alder Scannell. In favor?
- [Group] Aye.
- All right.
- Bye.
- Bye.
- Goodbye.
- Thanks everyone.
- Yeah, you, too.
- Good to see you, Steve.
- You, too.
- Good job.