



MINUTES OF THE IMPROVEMENT AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2026, 5:00 PM
Immediately following Parks Committee.

AMENDED

In person at City Hall, Room 310.
Virtual attendance also available via Zoom.

A. ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION.

- I. Join Zoom Meeting Online:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81854963871?pwd=Rl6oaf6sldZsTO0DuM0FC8MeAq4j57.1>

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Meeting ID: 818 5496 3871
Passcode: 820177

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B. ROLL CALL.

- I. Members: Melinda Eck, Ben Delie, Jim Ridderbush, Ben DeBaker

Present: Melinda Eck, Ben Delie, Jim Ridderbush, Ben DeBaker
Excused: None
Absent: None

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

- I. Approval of the agenda for the Wednesday, July 15, 2026, meeting of the Improvement & Services Committee.

Moved by Ald. Jim Ridderbush, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve the agenda for the July 15, 2026, meeting of the Improvement & Services Committee.

Motion carried.

Yes-Melinda Eck, Ben Delie, Jim Ridderbush, Ben DeBaker, No-None, Abstain-None.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

- I. Approval of the minutes from the July 1, 2026, Improvement & Services Committee meeting.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Ben DeBaker to approve the minutes from the July 1, 2026, Improvement & Services Committee meeting.

Motion carried.

Yes-Melinda Eck, Ben Delie, Jim Ridderbush, Ben DeBaker, No-None, Abstain-None.

E. REGULAR BUSINESS.

- I. Consideration with possible action on request by the Department of Public Works to purchase 2026 Reading RM-45 Master Mechanic Package service body from Monroe Truck Equipment through Sourcewell Contract No. 062220-AEB-I for \$108,270.00. The purchase includes installation, delivery, mechanic training, and warranty.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Jim Ridderbush to approve taking up Items No. 1 & No. 2 with a single vote.

Motion carried.

Yes-Melinda Eck, Ben Delie, Jim Ridderbush, Ben DeBaker, No-None, Abstain-None.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Jim Ridderbush to approve request by the Department of Public Works to purchase 2026 Reading RM-45 Master Mechanic Package service body from Monroe Truck Equipment through Sourcewell Contract No. 062220-AEB-I for \$108,270.00. The purchase includes installation, delivery, mechanic training, and warranty.

Motion carried.

Yes-Melinda Eck, Ben Delie, Jim Ridderbush, Ben DeBaker, No-None, Abstain-None.

2. Consideration with possible action on request by the Department of Public Works to purchase 2027 Ford Super Duty F-550 cab and chassis from Ewald Automotive Group through State Contract #505ENT-M24-VEHICLES-06 for \$60,357.00. The purchase includes delivery and the manufacture's standard warranty.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Jim Ridderbush to approve request by the Department of Public Works to purchase 2027 Ford Super Duty F-550 cab and chassis from Ewald Automotive Group through State Contract #505ENT M24-VEHICLES-06 for \$60,357.00. The purchase includes delivery and the manufacture's standard warranty. Motion carried.

Yes-Melinda Eck, Ben Delie, Jim Ridderbush, Ben DeBaker, No-None, Abstain-None.

3. Consideration with possible action on request by the Department of Public Works to award contract PAVEMENT 4-26 N. MAPLE AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION (W. Walnut Street to Mather Street) to the low responsive responsible bidder at a staff level.

Moved by Ald. Jim Ridderbush, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve request by the Department of Public Works to award contract PAVEMENT 4-26 N. MAPLE AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION (W. Walnut Street to Mather Street) to the low responsive responsible bidder at a staff level.

Motion carried.

Yes-Melinda Eck, Ben Delie, Jim Ridderbush, Ben DeBaker, No-None, Abstain-None.

4. Consideration with possible action on request by the Department of Public Works to grant licenses for:

- I. Sidewalk Builder

- a. Double A Flatwork LLC
 - b. Kurowski Construction
 - b. ECS Concrete Construction LLC

Moved by Ald. Jim Ridderbush, seconded by Ald. Ben DeBaker to approve request by the Department of Public Works to grant licenses for:

- I. Sidewalk Builder

- a. Double A Flatwork LLC
 - b. Kurowski Construction
 - c. ECS Concrete Construction LLC

Motion carried.

Yes-Melinda Eck, Ben Delie, Jim Ridderbush, Ben DeBaker, No-None, Abstain-None.

5. Consideration with possible action on request by the Department of Public Works to approve the real estate payments for the Mather Street reconstruction project.

Moved by Ald. Ben DeBaker, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve request by the Department of Public Works to approve the real estate payments for the Mather Street reconstruction project.

Motion carried.

Yes-Melinda Eck, Ben Delie, Jim Ridderbush, Ben DeBaker, No-None, Abstain-None.

6. Consideration with possible action on request by the Department of Public Works to award contract SEWERS 3-26 CITY WIDE SEWER REPAIRS to De Groot, Inc. in the amount of \$1,350,216.44.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Jim Ridderbush to approve request by the Department of Public Works to award contract SEWERS 3-26 CITY WIDE SEWER REPAIRS to De Groot, Inc. in the amount of \$1,350,216.44.

Motion carried.

Yes-Melinda Eck, Ben Delie, Jim Ridderbush, Ben DeBaker, No-None, Abstain-None.

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS.

G. INFORMATIONAL.

1. PAVEMENT 3-26 OXFORD AVENUE & REED STREET RECONSTRUCTION contract was awarded to Peters Concrete Company in the amount of \$1,193,813.10.
2. Director's Report on updates and recent activities of the Public Works Department.
3. Next Meeting: August 12, 2026

H. ADJOURNMENT.

1. Adjournment of the Wednesday, July 15, 2026, meeting of the Improvement & Services Committee.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Jim Ridderbush to adjourn.

Motion carried.

Yes-Melinda Eck, Ben Delie, Ben DeBaker, No-None, Abstain-None.

