

## REPORT OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Ryan Austin

Sheri Evanson

Dennis Polach

Date of Meeting: 7/14/2022  
Reported to Council: 7/19/2022

The Public Works Committee met on Thursday, July 14th, 2022 in the Council Chambers at City Hall and via remote videoconference. Ryan Austin, Sheri Evanson, Dennis Polach and Mayor Blaser were in attendance. Others attending are listed below.

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM.

2. Review Engineering & Street Department Monthly Activity Report.

The report was reviewed.

3. Review request from WRPS to add a mid-block crosswalk to 32<sup>nd</sup> St N at a point 475' north of Franklin St for Washington School.

Motion by Austin, second by Evanson to install a crosswalk with curb ramp and flashing LED school crossing signs and pedestrian push buttons with WRPS participating with funding at a 50% level. Add the crosswalk to the list of mid-block crosswalks in municipal code 340 and parking restrictions to municipal code chapter 27. Motion carried (3-0).

4. Review request from Town of Grand Rapids to participate in the repaving of Chestnut St from 23rd St S to 32nd St S.

Motion by Evanson, second by Austin to participate in the repaving of Chestnut St by providing road base and crushed blacktop. Motion carried (3-0).

5. Review the artwork proposal for the W Jackson St roundabout.

Safety and material types were discussed. The WI DOT's Facility Development Manual (FDM) was reviewed. There is a general interest to continue working with the art designer to modify the material type to meet the requirement of the FDM. No action taken.

6. Review proposals for the Rail Feasibility Study.

All proposals were reviewed. The Committee requested that staff have further discussions with two of three firms on pricing and scope revisions and bring back to the next Public Works Committee meeting. No action taken.

7. Review and consider adding parking on the north side of Baker St between 5<sup>th</sup> St and 8<sup>th</sup> St.

Motion by Evanson, second by Austin to allow for parking on both sides of Baker St between 5<sup>th</sup> St and 8<sup>th</sup> St. Motion carried (3-0).

8. Review referral list.

The referral list was reviewed. Item #9 to be removed. Austin referred an item: discuss the Biron wastewater agreement and wastewater ordinance at a special Public Works Meeting.

9. Set next meeting date.

Next meeting date/time was set for Thursday, August 4th, 2022 at 5pm.

10. Adjourn

Motion by Austin, second by Evanson to adjourn at 6:13 pm. Motion carried (3-0).

**Others in attendance:**

See sign-in sheet.

# Public Works Meeting

Sign-in Sheet  
Date: 7/14/2022

	Name	Representing	Address
1	Shane Blaser		
2	Dennis Plach		
3	Sheri Emerson		
4	Paul Volpert		
5	Joe Eichsteadt		
6	Ryan Austin		
7	Ed Allison	WRPS	
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