

**MINUTES
CITY OF GIG HARBOR
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
Tuesday, September 14, 2021
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Due to public health concerns, this meeting was held remotely.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Public Works Committee Bob Himes called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

Public Works Committee Members Present (remotely): Jeni Woock, Bob Himes.

Public Works Committee Chair Jim Franich was detained in traffic and arrived just after the meeting was called to order.

Staff Present (remotely): City Administrator Tony Piasecki, Public Works Director Jeff Langhelm, Senior Engineer Aaron Hulst, and Executive Assistant Maureen Whitaker (scribe)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 15, 2021

MOTION: Move to approve the June 15, 2021 Public Works Committee Minutes.

Woock / Himes – Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: none.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Olympic Dr. Right-Turn Lane Extension at Pt. Fosdick Dr.

Senior Engineer Aaron Hulst and Public Works Director Jeff Langhelm provided a brief overview and background regarding the Olympic Drive Right-turn Lane Extension at Point Fosdick Drive. This project is listed #10 on the City's 2022-2027 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and scheduled for design and construction in 2023 with a projected project cost of \$690,000 for PS&E and Construction. The project cost includes demoing 260 feet of sidewalk, curb line, and buffer. A lengthy discussion ensued about the pros and cons of restricting left-in and left-out of Harbor Plaza's westerly driveway and the potential problem of traffic stacking up in the left turn lane from Pt. Fosdick and Olympic Drive. The need for a traffic modeling study was discussed. Mr. Langhelm stated if the development triggers additional capacity, the City can decide apply restrictions when the TIP project is funded.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Works Committee recommended doing a traffic modeling study after the Metropolitan Market is open in the first or middle of 2022.

2. Cedar Crest Water System's August 2021 Incident

Mr. Langhelm provided an overview of his conversation with Washington Water's Operations Manager who reported that the disruptions that occurred in August over a 24-hour period were apparently caused by equipment failures and not due to inadequate capacity. Mr. Langhelm stated that the City does not manage or monitor other water purveyors and shared a map of the water purveyors in Gig Harbor city limits and adjoining areas.

A brief discussion ensued and Councilmember Woock stated that she had received a number of complaints by businesses and residents that were affected and expressed her concern that she doesn't want future developments to affect water availability.

CIP REVIEW

Mr. Langhelm went over the CIP Tiers 1-4. A brief discussion occurred concerning how the Six-Year TIP correlates to the CIP Tiers.

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

ANNOUNCEMENT OF UPCOMING MEETING: October 12, 2021

ADJOURN: 4:33 p.m.