

UTILITY ADVISORY BOARD
Thursday, January 19, 2023
8:30 – 9:30 am
1300 Market Ave SW
AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes – December 15, 2022
2. Public Comments on Agenda Items
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Quarterly Financials – Jenessa Carter
5. Updates
 - a. Year-End Awards – Jeff McCaul
 - b. Biodigester –
6. Public Comment
7. Items from Members
8. Next Meeting – February 16, 2023
9. Adjournment

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MINUTES

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mr.Hurt at 8:30 am.

Members Present

Mark Bennett, Jenessa Carter, James Ouzts, Tai Verbrugge, Tiffany Berry, Julius Suchy, Sam Giffel, Wayne Jernberg, Alex Fleet, Kolene Allen, Todd Boerman, Jim Kirkwood, Chuck Schroeder, Mike Grenier, Doug LaFave, Jeff McCaul, William Kaiser, Darrel Schmalzel, Ben Swayze, James Hurt

Others Present

Elissa Soto (City of GR)

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes by Mr.Jernberg, second by Mr. Suchy

MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

None

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda by Mr.Jernberg, second by Mr. Grenier.

MOTION CARRIED.

2022 Rate Study Resolution

Mrs. Carter presented the 2022 Rate Study Resolution Memo to the board. The original study that was presented in November remains the same. Mr. Schmalzel asked if the City Clerk had received any public comments about the rate increases. Mrs. Carter said yes, the comments were regarding not increasing rates because of the rising cost of other services.

The City Commission had questions about the Kent County Community Action/affordability program. Mrs. Giffel was present at the Commission meeting and answered questions about the program.

Motion to approve the 2022 Rate Study Resolution by Mr.Jernberg, second by Mr. Grennier.

MOTION CARRIED.

Updates

ARPA Funding (Cascade Township) – Wayne Jernberg

Mr.Jernberg said that the City successfully received \$3 million of ARPA funding from Kent County for PFAS remediation in Cascade Township. The project is scheduled to be completed in 2023.

Biodigester – Mike Grenier

Mr. Grenier updated the board on the Biodigester project. The digester is running and selling gas. The phosphate component of the project is the last phase for the completion of the project, and his staff continues to work with the contractor. Staff is working with Consumers to buy electricity from the gas being produced.

Staffing

Mr.Grenier reported to the board that Mr. Schroeder is set to retire in the next few months and will be transitioning to working 2-3 days a week. The board congratulated him on his retirement and thanked him for his service.

Public Comment

None

Items from Members

Mr. LaFave informed the board that East Grand Rapids is exploring buying gas credits from DTE. Mr. Fleet said he reached out to Partner Communities for projects that need to be included in the FY24 capital project. For questions, please reach out to Mr. Fleet. Mr. Schroeder informed the board that the City received a \$1.9 million bid to construct a lift station in Walker. Mr. Jernberg said the board should expect various bills from the new legislation addressing sustainable affordability programs. On Tuesday, a funding agreement with Walker for the Bristol railroad passed City Commission. Additionally, in the last few months, there have been situations where a boil advisory has been issued at a mobile home community. EGLE requires the property managers to report a boil advisory to the Health Department, the GR Water System, and EGLE.

Next Meeting – January 19, 2023

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 am by Mr. Hurt.

| Project Name | Contractor | Award Date | Substantial Completion Date | Final Completion Date | Water Fund Authorized NTE Amt | Sewer Fund Authorized NTE Amt | Est. Year for Rates | Integrated (Y/N) |
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| Valve Replacement at EAST PARIS PUMP STATION | Allied Mechanical Services Inc | 1/11/2022 | 6/10/2022 | 7/29/2022 | \$ 770,400.00 | N/A | 2023 | N (GR, KTW, CAS) |
| Reconstruction of LAKE EASTBROOK BOULEVARD from East Beltline Avenue to 28th Street and Improvements in EAST BELTLINE AVENUE from Lake Eastbrook Boulevard to 352 Feet North of Lake Eastbrook Boulevard | Kammaing & Roodvoets Inc | 7/13/2021 | 9/1/2022 | 10/1/2023 | \$ 1,168,900.00 | N/A | 2024 | N (GR) |
| Reconstruction of HOUSEMAN AVENUE from Leonard Street to Spencer Street | Lodestar Constructon, Inc. | 2/8/2022 | 10/21/2022 | 5/5/2023 | \$ 919,464.00 | N/A | 2023/2024 | N (GR) |
| Reconstruction of STRAIGHT AVENUE from Wealthy Street to Emperor Street and WEALTHY STREET from Straight Avenue to 300' West of Front Street | Groundhawg Excavating & Landscaping, LLC | 2/8/2022 | 6/1/2022 | 10/21/2022 | \$ 1,315,161.47 | N/A | 2023 | N (GR) |
| Reconstruction of PROSPECT AVENUE from Burton Street to Griggs Street and Garden Street to Highland Street | Dykema Excavators, Inc. | 2/8/2022 | 10/21/2022 | 5/5/2023 | \$ 2,223,600.00 | N/A | 2023/2024 | N (GR) |
| Reconstruction of FULLER AVENUE from Adams Street to Alexander Street | Diversco Construction Company, Inc. | 2/8/2022 | 10/23/2022 | 5/5/2023 | \$ 1,885,800.00 | N/A | 2023/2024 | N (GR) |
| Reconstruction of RICHARDS AVENUE from Fulton Street to Sibley Street | Nagel Construction, Inc. | 2/8/2022 | 10/21/2022 | 5/5/2023 | \$ 805,240.00 | N/A | 2023/2024 | N (GR) |
| Rotomill/Resurfacing and Street Lighting of OTTAWA AVENUE from Hastings Street to Fairbanks Street and Reconstruction of OTTAWA AVENUE from Fairbanks Street to Newberry Street | Wyoming Excavators, Inc. | 2/8/2022 | 7/29/2022 | 8/12/2022 | \$ 348,700.00 | N/A | 2023 | N (GR) |
| Replacement of KINGSBURY SANITARY LIFT STATION | N/A | 2/8/2022 | N/A | N/A | N/A | \$ 100,000.00 | 2023/2024 | N (Wlk) |
| Reconstruction of GARFIELD AVENUE from Fulton Street to Second Street and VETO STREET from Valley Avenue to Garfield Avenue and CALIFORNIA STREET from Valley Avenue to Garfield Avenue | Montgomery Excavating LLC | 3/15/2022 | 7/28/2023 | 10/25/2023 | \$ 1,418,820.00 | N/A | 2023 | N (GR) |
| Landscaping and Irrigation at the LAKE MICHIGAN FILTRATION PLANT | Katerberg-Verhage Inc | 3/15/2022 | 10/21/2022 | 11/25/2022 | \$ 275,700.00 | N/A | 2023 | Y |
| Water Main in Burger Drive, Tanglewood Drive, Tricklewood Drive, Tricklewood Court, Brookhills Court, Tuscan Drive, Cimarron Drive, Tripoli Street, and Tripoli Court (Burger-Goodwood Neighborhood Water Main – Phase 1) | Kammaing & Roodvoets, Inc. | 4/12/2022 | 7/28/2023 | 10/15/2023 | \$ 4,800,000.00 | N/A | 2024 | N (Cascade - System Funding/C2R2 Grant) |
| Improvements to Pumps at FRANKLIN WATER PUMP STATION | Davis Construction, Inc. | 4/12/2022 | 5/5/2023 | 6/2/2023 | \$ 6,847,280.00 | N/A | 2024 | N (GR/KTW/CAS/GRT/E GR/ADA) |
| Sanitary Sewer and Water Main in PUBLIC EASEMENT (SE) Blairview Parkway (Pvt.), East Highgate Street (Pvt.), West Highgate Street (Pvt.), Stratton Boulevard (Pvt.), East Cobblestone Court (Pvt.) and West Cobblestone Court (Pvt.) and in PUBLIC EASEMENT (SE) (Cobblestone at the Ravines - Phase 3) | N/A | 4/12/2022 | N/A | N/A | \$ 38,210.40 | N/A | N/A | N (KTW) |

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| Reconstruction of COLLEGE AVENUE from Leonard Street to Sweet Street | Kamminga & Roodvoets, Inc. | 5/10/2022 | 8/31/2023 | 10/25/2024 | \$ 2,051,700.00 | N/A | 2024 | N (GR) |
| Reconstruction of GRANDVILLE AVENUE from Beacon Street to Franklin Street | Schipper's Excavating, Inc. | 5/24/2022 | 7/21/2023 | 10/25/2024 | \$ 995,150.00 | \$ 627,200.00 | 2024 | N (GR) |
| Reconstruction of OTTAWA AVENUE from Newberry Street to Mason Street and from Walbridge Street (Vacated) to Coldbrook Street | Kamminga & Roodvoets, Inc. | 6/24/2018 | 7/1/2023 | 10/25/2024 | \$ 630,820.00 | \$ 493,195.00 | 2024 | N (GR) |
| Pretreatment System Improvements at the LAKE MICHIGAN FILTRATION PLANT | Triangle Associates, Inc. | 6/21/2022 | 10/16/2023 | 12/1/2023 | \$ 17,696,390.00 | N/A | 2024 | Y |
| Biodigestion with Combined Heat and Power at the WATER RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY | The Christman Company | 8/15/2017 | 3/21/2021 | 12/21/2023 | N/A | \$ 58,582,552.00 | 2020-2024 | Y |
| Pressure Reducing Valve Replacement in WEST REGULATED and ALGER PRESSURE DISTRICT | Diversco Construction Company, Inc. | 6/21/2022 | 12/31/2022 | 5/31/2023 | \$ 1,586,400.00 | N/A | 2024 | N (GR) |
| Reconstruction of NORWICH AVENUE from Curve Street to Hayden Street | Nagel Construction, Inc. | 6/21/2022 | 9/30/2023 | 6/30/2024 | \$ 1,293,840.00 | \$ 1,209,975.00 | 2023-2024 | N (GR) |
| Replacement of Lead Service Lines at VARIOUS LOCATIONS - Contract 2022-1 | SWT Excavating, Inc. | 6/21/2022 | 10/13/2023 | 10/27/2023 | \$ 2,943,100.00 | N/A | 2024 | N (GR) |
| Water Main Design in O'BRIEN ROAD, FOUR MILE ROAD, and LEONARD STREET (Walker Water Main Looping Project) | N/A | 6/21/2022 | N/A | N/A | \$ 125,000.00 | N/A | TBD | N (WLK) |
| Replacement of Lead Service Lines at VARIOUS LOCATIONS - Contract 2022-2 | Groundhawg Excavating & Landscaping, LLC | 7/12/2022 | 10/13/2023 | 10/27/2023 | \$ 2,673,700.00 | N/A | 2024 | N (GR) |
| Replacement of Private Lead Service Lines at VARIOUS LOCATIONS - Contract 2022-3 | SWT Excavating, Inc. | 7/12/2022 | 12/21/2023 | 5/15/2024 | \$ 2,216,900.00 | N/A | 2024-2025 | N (GR) |
| Reconstruction of PLAINFIELD AVENUE from Marywood Drive to Ellsmere Street | Dykema Excavators Inc. | 7/12/2022 | 10/21/2022 | 8/25/2023 | \$ 3,670,010.00 | N/A | 2024 | N (GR) |
| Private Water Service Installation and Well Abandonment in the Burger-Goodwood Neighborhood in Cascade Charter Township | BRK Plumbing, LLC and McDonald Plumbing, Inc. | 7/12/2022 | N/A | 12/31/2023 | \$ 3,086,000.00 | N/A | 2024 | N (CAS) |
| Improvements to Final Effluent Water (FEW) Supply Line at the WATER RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY | Allied Mechanical, Inc. | 7/12/2022 | 12/31/2022 | 1/31/2023 | N/A | \$ 1,718,445.00 | 2023 | Y |
| Reconstruction of GIDDINGS AVENUE from Burton Street to Boston | Wyoming Excavators Inc. | 7/26/2022 | 7/28/2023 | 10/27/2023 | \$ 1,788,000.00 | N/A | 2024 | N (GR) |
| Improvements and Tank Painting at KNAPP, LEONARD, and CAMBRIDGE TANKS | Fedewa Inc. | 7/26/2022 | 10/28/2022 | 12/16/2022 | \$ 677,800.00 | N/A | 2023 | N (GR, WLK, CAS, GRT, ADA, TALL, KTW) |
| Reconstruction of EMERALD AVENUE from Leonard Street to Sweet Street | Ponstein Enterprises LLC dba Georgetown Construction Company | 8/9/2022 | 8/25/2023 | 10/27/2023 | \$ 1,404,400.00 | N/A | 2024 | N (GR) |
| Water Main and Water Service Replacement in PAGE STREET, LISTER COURT, PLAINFIELD AVENUE and PUBLIC EASEMENT (NE) and Water Service Replacement in CARRIER STREET | Schippers Excavating Inc. | 8/9/2022 | 10/27/2023 | 5/24/2024 | \$ 1,062,300.00 | N/A | 2025 | N (GR) |
| Reconstruction of and Water Main in the Ottawa Avenue/Coldbrook Street/Monroe Avenue Intersection (Decommissioning of Coldbrook Pumping Station) | Diversco Construction Company Inc. | 9/6/2022 | 10/28/2023 | 11/11/2023 | \$ 4,372,000.00 | \$ 41,000.00 | 2024 | N (GR, GRT, ADA, KTW, CAS) |
| Reconstruction of JACKSON STREET from Valley Avenue to Garfield Avenue and JACKSON STREET from Lane Avenue to Jackson Place | Diversco Construction Company, Inc. | 9/6/2022 | 6/23/2023 | 8/25/2023 | \$ 527,660.00 | \$ 480,399.00 | 2024 | N (GR) |

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| Reconstruction of Market Avenue from Williams Street to Fulton Street and Fulton Street from the Grand River to Market Avenue – Relocation of Eastside Trunk Sewer (Contract No. 1) | Kamminga & Roodvoets, Inc | 3/9/2021 | 11/1/2022 | 11/16/2022 | \$ 612,357.00 | \$ 10,122,443.00 | 2023 | N (GR) |
| Replacement of Filter Gallery Windows at the LAKE MICHIGAN FILTRATION PLANT | EV Construction CO | 10/18/2022 | 9/1/2023 | 10/27/2023 | \$ 517,435.00 | N/A | 2024 | Y |
| Replacement of Private Lead Service Lines at Various Locations Contract 2023-1 | B & Z Company | 12/6/2022 | 5/24/2024 | 5/31/2024 | \$ 1,528,300.00 | N/A | 2025 | N (GR) |
| Lagoon Improvements at the Lake Michigan Filtration Plant | EV Construction Co. | 12/13/2022 | 5/31/2023 | 7/31/2023 | \$ 704,500.00 | N/A | 2024 | Y |