

MINUTES - ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING 06/25/09

The meeting was called to order @ 6:05 PM, Thursday, June 25, 2009, in the North Conference Room @ 21630 11th Avenue South, Des Moines with the following in attendance:

Council Members

Scott Thomasson – Chairman
Bob Sheckler - Mayor

Absent

Dave Kaplan

City Staff

Tony Piasecki - City Manager
Lorri Ericson - Asst. City Manager
Grant Fredricks - Director PB&PW
Loren Reinhold - Asst. Dir. Environ. & Utilities
Linda Wright – Administrative Asst.

Meeting Agenda:

1. Approve minutes from May 28, 2009, committee meeting
 2. Review revised SWM Ordinance for NPDES Permit Requirements: IDDE & NPDES Facility Operation and Maintenance
 3. Update on WD54 and City meeting held June 18th.
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1. Minutes from May 28, 2009, were approved.
2. SWM Draft Ordinance for NPDES Permit Requirements

Chairman Thomasson started with definitions of the ordinance as he had major concerns about them in the previous session. Started through document Page by Page/Section by Section. Clarified that these were added to DMMC Section so would be in one place with reference to other sections.

- Definitions – Much better layout/clarification.
- Had concern about the “illicit connections” definition and what constitutes as an illicit connection. Loren said that it is meant to prohibit any non-stormwater discharges. Loren to provide a revised definition.
- Single Family Residence Activity definition added for education and as a warning system vs infractions and fines.
- In discussion re adopted in DMMC 18.86.330 - Attorney Susan had included the adopted by reference portion. Question came up as to whether the City Clerk had on file the King County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Manual and should it be with the City Clerk because of the RCW reference. Loren would check to see if manual will be made available with City Clerk.
- Some discussion on difference between public, municipal and private facilities and when ownership might need to be claimed and how that process would happen.
- Time was running out and still wanted to have discussion regarding WD54. Chairman Thomasson would submit any further concerns/questions to Loren prior to full Council presentation and adoption.

- **The Ordinance must be adopted by August 15th to be in compliance with the NPDES Permit.**

3. WD54 Update

- Loren advised that in doing research for the assumption that he discovered that the water main on 6th Avenue was not 6-inch asbestos concrete but was really an 8-in ductile iron pipe installed in early 1990s. Records had not been updated properly which means that money that would have been to replace the 6th Avenue pipeline can be diverted to other parts of the downtown water main project.
- New plan being proposed by WD#54 will have 12" pipes on side streets crossing Marine View Drive to 8th. Hydrants to be located @ corners of block; however, both Loren and Grant were somewhat unsure if it was 4 corners or two corners of block.....would clarify with WD54.
- \$500,000 earmarked would then be used to build the segments between the intersections on the west side of MVD west side and provide a hydrant mid block. 7th and 8th will be done with future dollars. Project could go to bid this fall after scope, schedule and budget worked out. An agreement would be needed with WD#54 as the federal funds require a 1:1 match fund (the WD#54 part of the downtown system).
- Mayor Sheckler indicated that Adam Smith who had worked so diligently to assist in acquiring the \$500,000 wants to be sure that the City is in control of the money expenditure.

Adjourned @ 7:29 PM

Respectfully submitted by:

Linda Wright, Administrative Assistant