

## Des Moines City Council PS&T Committee Minutes – 09/02/10

Meeting called to order: 6:05PM on September 2, 2010, in North Conference Room @ 21630 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue So., Des Moines WA 98198

### Council Members

Dave Kaplan - Chairman & Mayor Pro Tem

Scott Thomasson - Councilmember

Matt Pina - Councilmember

### City Staff

Tony Piasecki - City Manager

Grant Fredricks - Director PB&PW

Dan Brewer - Asst. Dir. Transp. & Engineering

Linda Wright – Administrative Asst.

Denise Lathrop – Planning Manager

Lorri Ericson – Asst. City Manager

Jennefer Henson – Court Administrator

Tim George – City Prosecutor

John O’Leary – Interim Police Chief

### **AGENDA:**

1. Approve 5/13 and 6/10 Minutes
2. Sound Transit (Planning)
3. School Photo Enforcement (Police)
4. Capital Improvement Program – CIP (Transportation/Engineering)

### **MEETING:**

1. Minutes unanimously approved as submitted.
2. **Sound Transit:** Denise passed out a memo directed to the Committee regarding coordination meeting held August 11, 2010, on extension of Sound Transit’s Link Light Rail System from SeaTac to Tacoma which included Federal Way, Kent, SeaTac and Tacoma staff. Roundtable discussion was had with each City presenting their issues regarding stationing, routing, parking etc. The group is suggesting meeting quarterly to keep all aware of their individual council desires and to ensure all are in the loop for discussion. There are some routing preferences i.e. I-5, SR 99, 30<sup>th</sup>, above ground or at grade, and station location issues to be resolved. All in group in agreement that Highline Community College an important stop. Each City has its own issues/agenda for routing and location.

PS&T Committee wants to make sure that Des Moines’ interests stay in the mix and that Sound Transit or SeaTac not get too far out in setting stations, routes etc. and leave our issues out. Chairman Kaplan thought there was a Sound Transit meeting coming up in the near future – wants to make sure we are included in all talks. Politically PS&T Committees of SeaTac and Des Moines need to meet regarding the station location before Sound Transit and SeaTac decide to settle on 200<sup>th</sup> station design without our input. Want to continue to be briefed.

✓ **Denise: requested to give all Council members a copy of the Memo she passed out**

3. **School Zone Photo Enforcement Program** - Interim Chief John O’Leary passed out a recap of the information gathered from meeting with ATS (vendor for the cameras and photos in the program) held with staff from Legal, Police, Engineering and the Court. The recap had several bullet points highlighting steps involved, initial and ongoing costs, best location for trial, violations/fines, other jurisdictions using the system.

Councilmember Thomasson asked what the purpose was: to change driver behavior, gather revenue, what would our safety realizations be? Discussion clarifying “a school zone”, “signage that says when

children are present”, time of day, etc. It was brought up that a better location to do this pilot would be along the school zones on 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue So.; however, the reason Woodmont was chosen was because flashing lights were already there and a pilot program would be less costly to the City to experiment with.

- ✓ **Committee wants traffic study done to see if 24<sup>th</sup> would be worth the cost.**
- ✓ **Also what benefits are realized from the program traffic/pedestrian safety.**
- ✓ **What are some alternatives?**
- ✓ **What about Mt. Rainier, Parkside?**

Report back to committee in October. So that revenue gathering would not be an issue, it was proposed that funds be dedicated to traffic and pedestrian safety, traffic calming and not used simply to enhance the City’s budget for General Fund spending purposes.

- ✓ **Provide statistics from Federal Way, including financial aspect to the committee.**

4. CIP Program – Dan handed out a 4 page recap of various projects in the current CIP as well as their TIP (Transportation Improvement Program) priority number, brief project update/stages. Direction was requested and received on the following projects:

- Salt Water Bridge – deferred for 2 years not eligible for funding at this time. Catch the next cycle of BRAC.
- DM Memorial Drive/200<sup>th</sup> Intersection – moved up by 2 years as w/be joint with SeaTac and it’s their # 1 project. We will be responsible for 25%.
- ✓ **Committee Chair reminded that City will need to begin setting aside funds now**
- Redondo Boardwalk – Dan recommended removing as funding not there. If major storm would probably be covered by FEMA although City would have to match. NEED A POLICY DECISION. It is public safety. **COMMITTEE: WANTS TO KEEP ON CIP.**
- 16<sup>th</sup> Segment 5-B S, 272<sup>nd</sup> to PHS – lowest priority on TIP. **COMMITTEE AGREED TO REMOVE.**

#### **New Projects not on CIP**

- Downtown Transportation Plan.....Parking/Circulation. Committee needs to know what 6<sup>th</sup> will look like when done. What’s the plan?
- Beach Park Mud Slide – Will be in MCI CIP but managed by Transportation.SWM Project – Construction Management/Engineering in House: Redondo Outfall pipe deteriorated. Redondo Beach to Soundview.
- ✓ **Committee wants to look @ whole Redondo package...Parking lot, long term plan.....sidewalk,**

**Note:** Grant noted that the planned use of bond proceeds was included on page 71 of the 2010 CIP handout, but that up-to-date bond information would not be available until when Paula got back from vacation.

Adjourned 7:29 PM

Linda Wright  
Administrative Assistant