



**BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE
(VIRTUAL MEETING)**

**October 20, 2020
5:00 PM
MINUTES**

Attendees: Commissioner Pointer, Commissioner Baines

Staff Support: **Marty Stump**, Planning Deputy Director - Planning & Development Department; **Kristi Evans**, Capital Program Manager – Community & Neighborhood Parks; **Mary Kay Henley**, Planning Administration

Acceptance of Minutes: Minutes from the September 16, 2020 meeting were approved as written.

Agenda Update

- The ATP & Certified Payroll Policy agenda item was pulled from today's agenda. Marty explained that internal discussion continues regarding proposed adjustments to this labor/payroll tracking practice on certain capital projects. This item will be presented at future CIC for consideration.

Project Status Update

- Commissioner Pointer asked status of the new signage at the Dune Peninsula. Marty reported that installation is underway and that various sign types are being installed as they are being fabricated and that installation will continue over the coming weeks until complete. He explained there are multiple types of signs, both direction and interpretive. In addition medallions are being imbedded into the pavement.

Discussion Item

Swan Creek East 56th Street Improvements Project Update

- Marty reported that construction will be getting underway this winter by the City of Tacoma on the 56th Street sidewalk at the entrance to Swan Creek Park. The new sidewalk will improve pedestrian access to Swan Creek Park, noting currently it is currently a dirt path. He added the climbing rock at First Creek Middle School is being built and will be installed in November of this year.
- Commissioner Baines asked if the flashing lights by the Pipeline Trail have improved pedestrian safety. Marty reported the City of Tacoma has an ongoing program in place to reduce pedestrian collisions called Vision Zero. Safety features are being added in locations identified as high-risk for vehicle/pedestrian collision. Mid-block, shared-use trail crossings of roadway such as at 56th street are these sort of situations.
- Commissioner Pointer concluded the new sidewalk is a nice addition to the community.

Dickman Mill Park Construction Contract Award

- This special CIC meeting is being called so the Dickman Mill Park Construction Contract award can be added to the upcoming Monday October 26 Board meeting. This was needed to give the contractor as much time as possible to meet the conditions of an in-water work deadline (Fish Window).
- This resolution authorizes the contract award to Redside Construction for the Dickman Mill Expansion and Heads Saw project in the amount not to exceed \$1,611,124. The funds for this project are from donations by Cambia Health Solutions
- Kristi explained that Redside Construction was the low bidder of the 5 bids received, 4 ultimately deemed responsive. She reported good feedback from reference checks.
 - Commissioner Pointer like that they are a local contractor (Bainbridge Island) and have some MWBE contractors identified in their bidding.
- Work under this contract will consist of demolition and clearing; an upland wood decking plaza on steel piles; grated ramps to the upland plaza; additional guard railings; restoration of the historic mill pulley on placed wood decking; restoration of the historic mill head saw placed on a new base and supported on steel piles; restoration of the historic mill log carriage on existing in-water foundations and steel piles; installation of an artist-designed “Ghost Log” placed on the restored log carriage; a grated overwater walkway and overwater viewpoint with wood decking; custom timber benches and installation of new and existing interpretive signage; site lighting for the head saw, log carriage, and Ghost Log, and relocation of one existing pedestrian light pole; habitat mitigation; landscape planting; landscape restoration of disturbed areas; and modification and repair of the existing irrigation system.
- Kristi reported the contractor needs to be brought on board as soon as possible because this project includes a Fish Window that closes February 15, 2021. She added that Redside Construction is optimistic they can meet this deadline because the needed pilings are in stock.
 - Commissioner Pointer asked about the fish window. Kristi explained the Fish Window started in October and runs through February 15th. All water work needs to be completed during this time. She added the project’s small portion of water work (pile driving) will be done first, with the rest of the work happening in the upland area.
- Kristi reported the Ghost Log artwork is complete and is being stored at the city dump for installation in early spring. An extra \$100,000 was required for this art piece. She added that because of the beneficial bid results this project now has a large contingency fund and any funds not spent will be returned to Cambia Health Solutions.
- Marty reported the headsaw restoration is being completed by Spokane-based Northwest Fabricators. Work will take approximately 4 months and they will have to transport the headsaw to and from Spokane.
- Commissioner Pointer commented he likes this project. In addition he asked about safety measures to insure children can’t climb on the structure.
 - Kristi-reported people won’t be able to touch the pieces, noting a guard rail is being installed 6 feet away from the headsaw and it sits in a recessed area. The Ghost Log piece will also have walls blocking access.
 - Commissioner Pointer suggested adding signage saying that climbing not allowed. Kristi reported our Risk Management Team did not require such measures but that will monitor the public’s use of the area and respond in the future if needed.

- Marty concluded a lot of work has taken place around project safety, making sure the pieces are separated from viewers.
- Commissioner Pointer asked if this project will be completed by next spring. Kristi reported yes.
- Commissioner Baines asked if we have worked with the Puyallup Tribe of Indians on this project. Kristi said yes, noting special collaboration on interpretive signage and the Ghost Log.
- Commissioner Baines asked to see the bid tab results. Marty will circulate this to both commissioners for review.
- This item was accepted for moving forward to the full Board with a recommendation of approval.

Meeting Adjourned