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Meeting Minutes - Draft Planning Commission

Friday, March 13, 2015

10:00 AM

5th Floor Conference Room

This is a special meeting of the City Planning Commission to receive a presentation on the Capital Improvement Program from the City Administration.

Call To Order

Mr. Poole called the special meeting to order at 10:02 AM.

Roll Call

Present 7 - Mr. Rodney Poole
Mr. Melvin Law
Ms. Amy Howard
Mr. David Johannas
Ms. Jane Ferrara
Ms. Lynn McAteer
Mr. Jeffrey Sadler

Excused 2 - Mr. Doug Cole
Ms. Ellen Robertson

Chair's Comments

Mr. Poole welcomed everyone who was present.

Director's Report

There was no Director's Report.

Capital Improvement Program Presentation

Mr. James Jackson, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer of Operations, presented the Mayor's FY2016- FY2020 Capital Improvement Program Budget to the Commission.

Mr. Poole asked where the \$8 million for Stone Brewery is located in the available funding.

Mr. Jackson stated that the \$8 million for Stone Brewery is included in the General Obligation Bonds.

Mr. Poole asked about the sale of the Boulevard funds.

Mr. Jackson stated that the money is in the Pay-as-You-Go line item.

Mr. Johannas inquired about the 800 Mega Hertz system.

Mr. Jackson stated it is a radio system that is used by Fire Emergency Services. The City is partnering with Chesterfield and Henrico to share the system and the cost.

Mr. Johannas inquired about money for Master Planning funds.

Mr. Mangold stated that Master Planning is not part of the CIP.

Ms. McAteer asked what the difference is from the previous year's budget.

Mr. Mangold stated he would provide that information to Ms. McAteer.

Mr. Sadler asked about the inclusion of the Dove Street School in the budget and if that money could be reallocated if the School Board decided to spend it elsewhere.

Mr. Mangold said that it would be up to City Council to reallocate the money.

Ms. McAteer asked about the difference between \$31 million that is proposed and the \$36 million that has been requested by the School Board.

Mr. Mangold stated that \$13.1 million of the proposed \$31 million has been allocated for school maintenance; however, there is additional money proposed for school maintenance elsewhere in the budget.

Mr. Sadler ask what specific parks will receive the proposed funding.

Mr. Jackson stated that the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities could provide the Commission a list.

Ms. Howard asked about how much of the funding would be allocated to the Public Housing Transformation project.

Mr. Jackson stated that none of the funding for Stone Brewing is coming out of FY16.

Mr. Sadler stated that approximately \$1.2 million a year would be left for all the other projects, including the Public Housing Transportation.

The Commission expressed concern about the limited Economic & Community Development five year funding amount.

Mr. Johannas asked about the GRTC Bus Rapid Transit funding.

Mr. Jackson stated that in addition to the City funds there are funds coming from other sources, TIGER grant and other localities.

Mr. Sadler expressed concern about the amount of funds left for the Economic & Community Development projects once the funds for Stone Brewery and GRTC are taken out.

Mr. Mangold stated that these are newly funded projects and no funds have been taken away from existing projects.

Mr. Mangold distributed a package of information including the presentation.

Mr. Sadler asked about the funding for the Fan and Carver neighborhood lighting projects.

Mr. Mangold explained that those funds have been moved to the Street Lighting-Special line item.

Ms. Howard asked about the sale of the Boulevard property as a source of funds in

2018. She questioned if this was just a prediction.

Mr. Mangold stated that it was and that it could be reevaluated in future years.

Mr. Johannas asked about the increase CMAQ fund increase in FY17, FY18, and FY19.

Mr. Sadler asked about the funds for the 2nd Street Connector funds.

Mr. Mangold stated that the funds are repayment to Dominion over 5 years.

Mr. Johannas asked about funding for the Idlewood Road roundabout.

Mr. Olinger stated that the roundabout had been funded in previous year's budget.

Mr. Sadler stated that he is concerned about the Dove Street School not being the highest priority for the School Board. He also expressed concern about the amount of funding being allocated to Stone Brewery.

The Planning Commission did not hold a public hearing and did not take a vote, as this was a presentation.

Adjournment

Mr. Poole adjourned the meeting at 10:43 AM.