

ROADS & UTILITIES COMMITTEE

The Roads and Utilities Committee met on Monday January 17, 2022 in the Remote Learning and Meeting Center to discuss capital requests and upcoming projects.

Committee members present were Council members Joe Gambatese, Joe Marko and Chairman Jeff Price. Also present were Council members Lane Schlessel and Chuck LoPresti, Mayor Ward, Finance Director Mary Kovalchik, Assistant Law Director Ray Schmidlin, Service Director Tony Fioritto, City Engineer Jeff Filarski, and Assistant Clerk of Council Kelly Miller.

Mr. Price called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and asked Mr. Filarski to give an overview of his recommended projects.

Mr. Filarski shared details of the Proposed 2022 Road Program, including asphalt resurfacing of Anderson Road, and other preventative maintenance. A copy of the report will be filed with the minutes.

After a brief description of the various projects, Mr. Filarski stated the suggested cost for streets and roads is \$1,392,000 with an additional \$112,000 for miscellaneous concrete repairs and resurfacing, for a combined total of \$1,504,000.

It was moved by Mr. Price, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that the committee recommend the total cost of \$1,504,000 for the Proposed 2022 Road Program be approved, pending the availability of funds. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Filarski then spoke about the watermain replacement of South Sedgewick Road at a suggested cost of \$1,054,300. He stated the Cleveland Water Department will reimburse a portion of the cost once the project is complete.

It was moved by Mr. Price, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that the committee recommend the total cost of \$1,054,300 for utilities and watermain repairs be approved, pending the availability of funds. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion began surrounding the 2022 Sidewalk Program. Mr. Filarski stated he would like to use a different process this year, which includes cutting the slab rather than replacing it. He stated 830 locations have been identified throughout the city needing repairs or replacement. Mr. Filarski explained this new process would be more cost-effective for both the city and residents at \$94 per slab, rather than \$280. He stated the suggested cost for the sidewalk program is \$90,000.

Mayor Ward commented how they participated in a demonstration a few years ago, and this same process could possibly be used on other projects around the city.

It was moved by Mr. Gambatese, seconded by Mr. Marko, that the committee recommend a total cost of \$90,000 for the 2022 Sidewalk Program be recommended to the Finance Committee, pending the availability of funds. The motion passed unanimously.

Lastly, Mr. Filarski gave a brief overview of miscellaneous maintenance projects including creek and dam maintenance for a cost of \$75,000.

It was moved by Mr. Price, seconded by Mr. Gambatese, that the committee recommend the total cost of \$75,000 for miscellaneous maintenance projects be recommended to the Finance Committee, pending the availability of funds. The motion passed unanimously.

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Price, Chairman