

Meeting Minutes
Department of Public Works Committee Meeting
WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2022 at 8:15 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m.

The following members were present

Mark Ratterman, Clint Williams, Brent Suffian, Tim Kaufmann, Brook Palanca, and Randy Parham

Staff present

Anne Lamitola, Director of Public Works; and Ashley Quinn, Public Works Specialist.

Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted unanimously upon motion by Mr. Williams and second by Ms. Palanca.

Approval of meeting minutes

The minutes of the April 6, 2022 meeting were approved unanimously upon motion by Mr. Suffian and second by Ms. Palanca

Public Forum

Representatives from St. Louis County Parks Department were in attendance. They gave an overview of proposed improvements at Tilles Park. The County has \$2 million dollars for capital improvements over the next 5 years for all seventy-five of the County parks. Tilles Park is scheduled to have some tennis courts removed and replaced with pickleball courts. There will also be improvements to bathroom facilities.

A discussion ensued regarding the chain link fence around the perimeter of the park. The Committee would like to see the fence replaced with something more attractive. The Parks representative shared that the fence is a necessity because of the Winter Wonderland display that occurs annually in November & December.

Tree replacements along right-of-way was discussed. The St. Louis County Parks Department planted forty trees in the last year, within the park. This is a replacement of 3:1 for any removed.

The City would like to coordinate with St. Louis County Parks for a tree planting for Ladue Arbor Day.

Update of Current Public Works Projects, Initiatives, and associated committees

Ms. Lamitola gave project updates on the following:

The Willow Hill Stormwater Infrastructure Project and the Robin Hill/McKnight Lane Streambank Stabilization Project remain under construction. Amanda Griffin is City point of contact for Willow Hill, while Mark Koester remains the point of contact for Loren Woods and Robin Hill/McKnight Ln.

The Deerfield/Wakefield Stormwater Infrastructure project had a public meeting for easement discussion on May 12th. Another future meeting would be scheduled, date TBD. The next Storm Water Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for June 16th.

Micro-surfacing was completed on Litzsinger Rd, McKnight Rd and Ladue Rd. The Dielman Rd. sidewalk project is in the process of obtaining easements. There are twelve needed. The Deer Creek Preserve preliminary plans should be received soon and would be shared once finalized. The project will need MSD approval. The next BOSTA Committee meeting is scheduled for June 24th. The Committee will hopefully be able to view the preliminary plans from SWT at this meeting.

Ameren was moving west on Litzsinger Rd. for the burying of power lines. They will mill and overlay after their completion. There are a few other areas of private streets where lines will be going underground. This will not impact City ROW's. The sidewalk and bike plan update underway, and a public meeting will be scheduled in early Fall to share the Draft plan.

City Council approved three antenna poles to address cell coverage in the City. Two of the three have been appealed by residents. The appeal hearings will take place on August 17th at 4:00pm.

Other Matters Deemed Appropriate

The next meeting will be held July 27th.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned unanimously upon motion by Mr. Parham and second by Ms. Palanca at 9:19 a.m.

Sincerely,

Mark Ratterman
Department of Public Works Committee