

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**June 3, 2009, 1:50 PM**  
**City Council Chambers**

**Members Present:** Jason Wiener (Chair), Ed Childers, John Hendrickson, Bob Jaffe, Pam Walzer, Jon Wilkins

**Members Absent:** Dave Strohmaier, Dick Haines, Renee Mitchell

**Others Present:** Steve King, Jack Stucky, Phil Smith, Mayor Engen, Seth Wilson, Doug Olson

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

- A. Approve minutes of May 27, 2009 as submitted or corrected – Approved as submitted
- B. Announcements – None
- C. Public Comment on Non-Agenda items – None

**II. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Authorize the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Missoula and Missoula County regarding protection and maintenance of County public right-of-ways related to City Sanitary Sewers. (Memo) – Regular Agenda (Bruce Bender) (Referred to committee: 05/20/09) **REMOVE FROM AGENDA**

**Motion:** The committee recommends the City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Missoula and Missoula County regarding protection and maintenance of County public right-of-ways related to City Sanitary Sewers.

Bruce Bender, Chief Administrative Officer, stated that County Public Works Director Greg Robertson had requested that utilities in County right-of-ways agree to a level of maintenance of the road above the utility. The intent of the agreement was to maintain services the City had constructed. In the airport area, sewer lines in county right-of-ways were constructed with county RSIDs but are city-owned pipe systems. There have been settlement problems and property damage. Some of it was damage caused by irrigation systems and storm water systems. The County has agreed to share the cost on those. The City does recognize the burden of maintaining trenches in other systems. Soils in the Wye area are a problem and are similar to the airport area with clay in it. The airport has been the only problem area, and the County recognizes their shared responsibility in it. East Missoula is the other area in the county with a lot of sewer, but the soil is not a problem.

Mr. Jaffe made the motion to approve the interlocal agreement.

The motion passed unanimously.

2. Resolution of Intention to create SID 546 for Pattee Creek Drive Traffic Calming. (memo) – Regular Agenda (Phil Smith and Kevin Slovarp) (Referred to committee: 06/01/09) **REMOVE FROM AGENDA**

**Motion:** The committee recommends the City Council adopt a resolution relating to Special Improvement District No. 546 commonly known as Pattee Creek Drive Traffic Calming; declaring it to be the intention of the City Council to create the District for the purpose of undertaking certain local improvements and financing the costs thereof and incidental thereto through the issuance of Special Improvement District Revolving Fund and set a public hearing on creation of said District for July 6, 2009.

Phil Smith, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator, stated that the proposed SID was for Pattee Creek Drive. It is a narrow street with a creek on one side, so traffic circles were not an option. They tried road narrowing and installed concrete bollards, creating a one-way bridge effect in the middle of Pattee Creek Drive, which increased the average speed by more than two miles per hour. A temporary speed cushion has been in place since September 2007, and speeds had dropped two to four miles per hour. They have signage to

make it obvious to snowplows. The residents petitioned the City to install four speed cushions. Of the 50 affected properties, 31 owners have signed the petition. If the resolution is approved, there will be a public hearing on Monday, July 6, and construction could occur this summer. The total project cost, including bond and financing is just over \$23,000.00, \$15,500.00 of which will come from the SID.

Mr. Jaffe made the motion to adopt the resolution of intention and set the public hearing.

Mr. Jaffe asked how much each property owner would pay and where the balance of the money would come from. Mr. Smith replied that each owner would pay \$310.00 and the rest would come from the approved CIP for FY09.

Mr. Wilkins stated this was the first time they've used bumps in Missoula, and if they work here, they may work somewhere else. He had one complaint, and another person was concerned about how many were going in there. He stated that they would fight to keep the stop sign on the street. He didn't think the Street Department got input on the speed bumps.

Ms. Walzer asked if the temporary speed bump was in a condition to be moved someplace else. Mr. Smith replied that it was the intent for the bump to be portable and be configured in any number of patterns. However, it does take a four-person crew most of a day to install it.

Mr. Childers asked if the stop sign there was doing any harm. Mr. Smith replied that they removed the sign with the first temporary traffic calming measures, but now they have no plan to take it out.

Seth Wilson of 130 Pattee Creek Drive thanked the Council for the opportunity to keep the street and neighborhood safe. He would be happy if the Council would adopt the motion.

Doug Olson of 201 Pattee Creek Drive stated that he appreciated the committee's attention, and hoped the resolution would be passed. A group of 10 people was working on it and they got overwhelming support.

The motion passed unanimously.

3. Confirm the re-appointments of Carl Posewitz, John Scot Herries and Clayton Anderson to the Building Code Board of Appeals for a term commencing July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2012. ([memo](#)) (Mayor Engen) (Referred to committee: 6/1/09) **REMOVE FROM AGENDA**

**Motion: The committee recommends the City Council confirm the re-appointments of Carl Posewitz, John Scot Herries, and Clayton Anderson to the Building Code Board of Appeals for a term commencing July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2012.**

Mayor Engen asked the committee to confirm the reappointments. He stated that this was a necessary board, and the three have served well. He appreciated their interest in continuing to serve.

Ms. Walzer made the motion to confirm the reappointments.

Mr. Childers stated that he was pleased to have competent people volunteer and keep the City going.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a service agreement with Johnson Controls Inc. (JCI) of Missoula, Montana extending the Missoula, City Hall, HVAC service agreement for one year. This extension will be a 3% increase from the Fiscal Year 2009 HVAC service agreement rate. ([memo](#)) (Jack Stucky) (Referred to committee: 06/01/09) **REMOVE FROM AGENDA**

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Jack Stucky, Vehicle Maintenance Superintendent, stated that the contract was to extend the service agreement for one year, and had a 3% increase over the current contract. He wanted extend the agreement to keep Johnson Controls in the loop during their performance contract for energy savings.

Mr. Wilkins stated that all contracts looked like they were getting a 3% increase and asked if that was normal. Mr. Stucky stated that they wanted more of an increase, but he negotiated it down. Mr. Bender stated that it depended on the contractor. They often want a 4% to 6% increase, but the City is usually only willing to pay 3%. Mr. Wilkins stated that at the State level, some contracts were only increasing 1%. Mr. Bender replied that contracts were usually coming in higher, but they try to constrain the increase.

Ms. Walzer made the motion to approve the agreement.

Mr. Childers asked if the contract included the Council Chambers and MRA. Mr. Stucky stated that it was only for City Hall. The building at 140 West Pine was a separate contract.

The motion passed unanimously.

5. Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract with Opportunity Resources Inc. of Missoula, Montana to provide Janitorial services to City Hall at 435 Ryman Street and the Council Chambers building at 140 West Pine Street. (memo).—Regular Agenda (Jack Stucky) (Referred to committee: 06/01/09) **REMOVE FROM AGENDA**

**Motion: The committee recommends the City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to sign a contract with Opportunity Resources Inc. of Missoula, Montana to provide Janitorial services to City Hall at 435 Ryman Street and the Council Chambers building at 140 West Pine Street.**

Mr. Stucky stated that the contract was for City Hall and the Council Chambers building at 140 W Pine. Mr. Wilkins asked about the art museum. Mr. Stucky stated that the art museum would not be renewed this year, but would probably add on to this contract in another year. It would come before Council for approval at that time.

Childers asked if the proposed budget included money for the art museum contract. Mr. Stucky stated that the bills for the art museum get paid out of a fund built for that purpose.

Mr. Wilkins asked if the City was paying for that fund or if it was the art museum. Mr. Wiener stated there was an item for that in the non-departmental section of the budget.

Ms. Walzer made the motion to accept the contract.

The motion passed unanimously.

6. Resolution declaring certain City of Missoula Property as Surplus and Authorizing its disposal. (memo).—Regular Agenda (Jack Stucky) (Referred to committee: 06/01/09) **REMOVE FROM AGENDA**

**Motion: The committee recommends the City Council adopt a resolution declaring certain City of Missoula Property as Surplus and Authorizing its disposal.**

Mr. Stucky stated that there would be a surplus property auction on June 17. The list of items was in the resolution.

Mr. Wilkins made the motion to approve the resolution.

Mr. Jaffe asked if the police cars were just police cars, or if they had been cycled through and had another use more recently. Mr. Stucky stated that he does try to use them in other applications, but the Crown Victorias were very inefficient. Some had been used in Parks for a year or two. The 2007 vehicle listed was a wrecked car.

Mr. Wiener asked if the City paid a fee per item, or only a part of the proceeds. Mr. Stucky stated that the City paid 7.5% or 8% of the sales price on each item, and did not pay if the item was not sold.

Mr. Childers asked how computers were disposed of. Mr. Stucky stated they were recycled by HP.

The motion passed unanimously.

7. Award the purchase of three (3), 2009 Henke Power Angle Snow Plows with Hitches to Henke Manufacturing of Leavenworth, Kansas for \$22,338 for all three snow plows and hitch assemblies. Henke is the low bid vendor. (memo)—Regular Agenda (Jack Stucky) (Referred to committee: 06/01/09) **REMOVE FROM AGENDA**

**Motion: The committee recommends the City Council return all bid bonds and award the purchase of Three (3), 2009 Henke Power Angle Snow Plows with Hitches to Henke Manufacturing of Leavenworth, Kansas for \$22,338 for all three snow plows and hitch assemblies. Henke is the low bid vendor.**

Mr. Stucky stated that the three plows were to go with three new sander trucks purchased this year, and Henke was the low bidder.

Mr. Childers asked what would happen to speed bumps if they were hit with the plows. He asked if the plows trip when they hit an obstruction. Mr. Stucky stated that they would.

Mr. Wiener made the motion to award the bid and return bid bonds.

The motion passed unanimously.

### **III. HELD AND ONGOING AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Discussion on the sizes of grease interceptors for the restaurant industry ([Grease Interceptor PowerPoint](#)) ([memo](#)).—Regular Agenda (Stacy Rye and Bob Jaffe) (Referred to committee: 04/21/08)
2. Consider restructuring the city's Sewer Loan Program along the lines of the recently approved change to the Sidewalk & Curb Loan Fund.—Regular Agenda ([Chapter 3.16 – Sidewalk & Curb Loan](#)) ([Chapter 3.18 Sewer Loan](#)) ([Ordinance 3344](#)) (Ed Childers) (Referred to committee: 06/26/06)
3. Discussion item to consider vacating portions of an 1896 petition County road on the westerly side of Miller Creek Road. ([memo](#)) (Monte Sipe) (Referred to committee: 10/6/08)
4. Discussion item regarding complete streets. ([memo](#)) (Jason Wiener) (Referred to committee: 10/27/08)
5. Information item to present the City's Master Sidewalk Plan. ([memo](#))—Regular Agenda (Doug Harby) (Referred to committee: 01/12/09)
6. Discussion of local, city-sponsored energy production ([memo](#)). (Ed Childers) (Referred to committee: 12/22/08)
7. Resolution of intention to close and vacate certain portions of Miller Creek Road and Lower Miller Creek Road generally located between Briggs and the "Wye". ([Resolution A](#)) ([Resolution B](#)) ([Staff Report](#)) ([map-6 MB file size](#)) ([memo](#)) ([PW](#)) (Returned from Council floor: 4/13/09)
8. Authorize speed limits ([memo](#)) ([Speed Limits Memo – Steve King](#)) (Presentation Maps).—Regular Agenda (Ed Childers) (Referred to committee: 12/08/08)
9. Change the speed limit on George Elmer Drive to 30 mph throughout. ([memo](#)) (Bob Jaffe)
10. \$500 rebate or coupon toward connection of sewer through December 31, 2009 for existing homes. ([memo](#)) ([SDF Ordinance Changes](#)) ([SDF Analysis](#)) (Returned from Council floor: 05/18/2009)

### **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully Submitted,

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