

PUBLIC HEARING – 2023 Street & Utility Improvements Project: January 25, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Kerry Taylor, Council Terrill Anderson, Randy Ebert, Carolyn Brooks

MEMBERS ABSENT: Robert Smestad Jr.

STAFF PRESENT: Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Brenda Fisk, City Engineers Jake Saulsbury and Ryan Johnson

OTHERS PRESENT: Annette Miller, Thomas & Dona Ebert, Joe & Kathy Anderson, Dan Wanner, Karen Davenport, Daniel Miller, Joseph Johnson, Gary Flavin, Lisa & Jim Calhoun, Ilene Leister, Thomas Schufman, Brad & Dawn Bubacz, Reed & Mayra Winter, Grady Gilmer, Kris & Duaine Rebiskie, Marie Hendrickson, Barb Janssen, Jay Janssen, Cathy Mackenthun, Amy Stutelberg, Amanda Stejskal, Meghan Riebel, Wyatt Crosby, Todd Stejskal, Tyler Wickesberg, Carmein McCurry, Tim Bauer, Lisa Knutsen, Steve Farstad, Pamela Goblisch, Rose Ann Haeg, Michael Ivers, Larry & Lisa Caldwell, Mike Vaske, Andy Kubal, David Madson, Sophia Crosby, Nathan Thiesfeld, Dwight Clement, Therese Drey

The purpose of the hearing was to hear public comment in regard to the 2023 Street & Utility Improvements Project. City Engineer Ryan Johnson presented the project by informing the audience of the City Council previously authorizing the completion of a Feasibility Study and miscellaneous related project items for a street and utility improvement project in the Industrial Park and the Glacier Road / Partridge Road Area. To date the following items have been completed.

- Completed pavement cores, soil borings and geotechnical exploration report
- Tested pond sediment for contaminated soils.
- Completed the Feasibility Study

SCOPE OF WORK:

- Industrial Park reconstruction – reconstruct Steiner Street and Palmer Place
 - Streets
 - Reconstruction of full street section and curb and gutter.
 - Storm Sewer
 - Replace existing underground conveyance system.
 - Watermain
 - Replace existing ductile iron watermain with PVC watermain.
 - Sanitary Sewer
 - Replacement and spot repair of system as consistent with 2020 evaluation.
- Glacier Road / Partridge Road
 - Streets
 - Full depth reclamation of existing street section and 5” of new pavement.
 - Spot repair of curb and gutter.
 - Utilities
 - Spot repairs on water, sanitary, and storm systems as identified by city staff.
 - Sidewalk
 - New sidewalk along the south side of Glacier Road.

ESTIMATED PROJECTS COSTS:

The total estimated project cost for the entire project is approximately \$5.3 million.

- Industrial Park - \$2,471,400
- Glacier Road / Partridge Road Area - \$2,770,200
- Miscellaneous Repairs - \$27,400

AUDIENCE COMMENTS:

Michael Ivers, M&I Properties – 4385 Steiner Street

Concerns of traffic access during construction. Question of assessment payoff and utility placement.

Carmein McCurry – 4319 Steiner Street

Concerns of utility turn offs during construction such as water turn off in the learning center.

Eric Anderson – Fire Chief

Will hydrants be out of service?

Reed Winter – 8954 Pheasant Lane

Why only 26 properties assessed in townhomes when 96 are in the townhome development. Concerns of change orders.

Lisa Knutson – 8916 Pheasant Lane

I don't live on road, why assessed? I paid for my street in association assessment.

Nathan Thiesfeld – 4360 Forest Road

Concerns of traffic, will roads be drivable? Storm sewer issues Forest Road, Aspen and near County Road 92.

Todd Stejskal – 9019 Glacier Road

Do overlay? Was study done to do sidewalks?

Overlay versus reclaim, cost, duration, life expectancy and impact on neighborhood during construction.

Joe Anderson – 8949 Glacier Road

What is the based, why disturb it when can just do a overlay. Reclaim won't last 40 years.

Wyatt Crosby (Mackenthun's Meat & Deli) – 4275 Cty Rd 92

Do not benefit, water is not being replaced and no access onto Glacier therefore do not benefit and should not be assessed the entire amount of money. In favor of sidewalk, if at a reasonable cost, due to employees walk to work.

Jay Janssen – 8960 Glacier Road

Glacier barrier keep up; install a no outlet sign at entrance; less traffic, less maintenance for everyone. Not in favor of sidewalk. Lower speed to 25 mph when replace signs. Start and end date. Curb and gutter in front of his house needs replacement. Status meeting.

Tyler Wickesberg – 4208 Walnut Road

Don't do sidewalk.

Tom Schufman – 9119 Glacier Road

Will Hiddenview Park trail be replaced? What fund will construction be taken out of? No sidewalks.

Muriel Phillipp – 9069 Glacier Road

Not in favor of sidewalk due to limit front yard landscaping. Was an environmental impact study done? Caution to accept the low bid.

Patrick & Rose Haag – 4207 Walnut Road

Remove barrier, 50 vehicles a day using Walnut due to no outlet. No outlet posted at Spruce/Glacier intersection; however drivers don't see the signs. Do sidewalks. Doing construction, why not remove the barrier? Now's the time.

Lisa Calhoun – 4224 Spruce Road
Do not do sidewalk on Spruce.

Dwight Clement – 8961 Partridge Road
Good plan, supports project.

ENGINEER AND COUNCIL RESPONSES:

Notices will be given regarding usage of streets. Always an engineer onsite during construction.

Notices will be given regarding water turn off; temporary service will be provided.

All townhome units assessed only the assessment roll page with your address was sent to you.

All units assessed due to each townhome directly benefits. Association streets are private roads, therefore the association can assess also as they did for overlay last summer on private streets.

Reclaim process will experience vibration in homes, roads will be drivable same day. Residents can email engineer with their storm sewer/curb concerns.

Boring results revealed 6” of bituminous on 6’ of rock aggregate.

Curb and gutter repairs will be made if necessary. Engineer to look into Glacier/County Road drainage concerns.

No sidewalk study, sidewalk in the plan to see if neighborhood favors a sidewalk.

Engineer explained the differences of overlay versus reclaim. Typical street from construction to reconstruct is 50 years. All depends on drainage, soils and traffic in area. Mill and overlay skim off and replace 2” on top (asphalt). Recommended to be done every 5 years or so with 10-20 years life depending on street conditions. Full depth reclamation will last twice as long; 20-40 years and costs 3 times as much.

Council will consider removing the Glacier Road sidewalk from the plan due to 95% of properties adjacent to Glacier Road and in attendance are opposed to a sidewalk.

Council will reconsider the Mackenthun’s assessment.

Majority of council not in favor of removing the barrier at end of Glacier Road as discussed at a recent council meeting. Barrier is included in the Hunter’s Crest Minnetrista/St. Boni sewer extension agreement. Partridge and Spruce barriers removed after % Hunter’s Crest build out and Glacier to be permanent unless both cities agree to remove. Police and Fire departments are in favor of removal.

Yes, Hiddenview Trail will be in the plan.

Environmental impact is not required, a watershed permit is.

Bid other than the low bid can be accepted if factual reasons, responsible and responsive.

Assessment will be final in October if project is approved. On taxes for 15 years, at 6% interest. Can be paid off by 11/15/2023 without interest and each year thereafter opportunity to pay off by 11/28.

Council may consider lowering the speed limit to 25, however study needs to be conducted. Difficult if no school.

Council will continue discussions to 2/1/2023, including possibility of placing 100% on tax roll versus assessments.

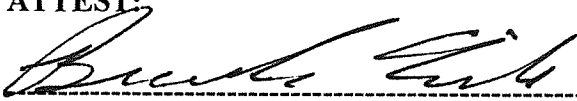
A status meeting most likely will be held for the neighborhood to meet with engineers to address specific details to properties.

Engineer announced Council Resolution ordering preparation of plans and specifications will be on the February 1st agenda.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Mayor Taylor and seconded by Anderson to adjourn the meeting. All aye 4/0
8:35 pm

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Brenda Fisk", is written over a horizontal dashed line.

Adm/Clerk/Treasurer Brenda Fisk