

Meeting Minutes  
Storm Water Committee Meeting  
Department of Public Works  
March 9, 2018  
8:00 am

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The meeting was called to order at 8:00 am. He introduced Robert Mueller, the newly appointed member of the Storm Water Advisory Committee. Mr. Mueller would be taking the opening that was vacated by Bob Watt.

The following members were present

Lloyd Palans, Maryann Rober, Trae Meyr and Bob Mueller

Also present

Councilman Bill Brennan; Councilman John Fox; Anne Lamitola, Public Works Director; and Pete Merten, Storm Water Engineering Manager for the City of Ladue

Members of the public present

Ed Horn, 50 Woodcrest  
Sarah Von Hoven, 20 Overbrook  
Bill Huffman, 22 Overbrook  
Scott Solsvig, Willow Hill trustee

Adoption of the Agenda

Chairman Palans asked for a motion to approve and adopt the agenda; Mr. Meyr made a motion to adopt, Ms. Rober seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the motion passed.

Approval of the January 12, 2018 meeting minutes

Chairman Palans asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Meyr stated that there were a few instances that his last name was spelled incorrectly and Councilman Fox noted that he was present at the meeting but his attendance was not reflected in the minutes. Ms. Rober made a motion to approve the minutes with the spelling and attendance amendments. Mr. Meyr seconded the motion. All present were in favor and the minutes were approved as amended

Chairman Palans spoke a few words of thanks for Bob Watts work as the former chairman of the Commit and shared that Mr. Watt would be recognized for his service at the March 26, 2018 City Council Meeting.

Public Forum

Ms. Von Hoven addressed the Committee. She was a new resident to Ladue and was aware of the easements/agreements with the City and with MSD.

Mr. Huffman shared questions and concerns about the impact on those that were in the flood way. He was concerned about the large diameter pipe proposed for their back yard and how that would impact flooding.

Mr. Horn stated his concerns about Ellsworth and other lanes in the neighborhood that were considering road improvement projects and how they would be impacted by the Storm Water projects.

Mr. Solsvig stated that the residents in the Willow Hill area were very supportive of the project.

#### LOI Acquisition Update

Pete Merten provided an update on the acquisition process for the letters of intent. Of the 136 LOI's needed, the City had received 118 letters (87%). Deerfield/Wakefield, Willow Hill, Robin Hill, and Briarwood all had 100% participation. Babler Lane was at 56% with only 9 of the 16 necessary LOI's being received. There was at least one property that was not interested in participating. If that property could not be worked around the project was in jeopardy of being stopped. A second mailing to those properties had gone out with little response.

South Tealbrook had 2 of the 6 needed LOI's and would need a work around. Three of the properties are heavily impacted and have responded but the trustees have not.

Both Mr. Palans and Mr. Meyr felt it was very important to direct a letter to Babler Ln. residents stating what they stand to lose by not responding. A deadline of April 1 was suggested as a date deadline.

Burroughs Ln was a collapsed culvert project that needed trustees and residents on the north side to participate. The Burroughs residents wanted nothing to do with it and staff made the decision to table the project.

Mr. Palans felt that Burroughs should also be contacted to express what they stand to lose and outline what the City has done for these issues. He asked that Mr. Meyr review the letters before sending.

Mr. Huffman, 22 Overbrook stated that he had concerns about the accuracy of the model and how reliable it would be. Would they be implementing detention or shut off? He was concerned with the current situation, which was not good, but worried that the issue may be aggravated further. He asked if a study could be done on behalf of those with concerns by a different firm.

Mr. Palans responded that it would not impair downstream properties and the City would not engage in a second review as they had already invested a lot of resources in the program.

Ms. Lamitola stated that to date the City had engaged consultant for concept design and development. We were currently in the design phase where other reviews would happen. HR Green may not be the firm that designs a specific project. To date they have done the planning and the design will take place at a later date, it is not final. The Army Corp of Engineers and MSD are both involved at the design phase.

A discussion ensued about easements being obtained at the 30% design phase.

Ms. Lamitola shared an update on the design consultant pre-qualification process. There were 16 statements received. Those had been reviewed and narrowed down to 7 applicants. Interviews would be set up for March 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. An interview committee would review and match engineering capabilities to the projects.

A discussion ensued about the 5-year rolling plan and draft budgets for implementation.


Mr. Palans provided an update on the MSD Rate Commission. There are 15 commissioners on the rate commission.

Other Matters Deems Appropriate

Ms. Lamitola stated that the City had received one application for a storm water grant for a roadside swale project from Mr. Huffman.

The next meeting date was TBD.

Ms. Rober made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Meyr seconded the motion. All voted "aye" in favor of adjourning. Meeting was adjourned at 9:45am.



Mr. Lloyd Palans, Chairman  
Ladue Storm Water Advisory Committee