



Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

Date: July 13, 2021

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Location: Zoom Digital Meeting

Members Present: Patricia Tupacz Scribner, WCPARC President (attending from Pittsfield Township, MI); Janis Bobrin, WCPARC Vice President (attending from Ann Arbor, MI); Daniel Ezekiel, WCPARC Secretary (attending from Ann Arbor, MI); Robert Joerg (attending from Delta Township, MI); Jason Morgan (attending from Ann Arbor, MI); Jo Ann McCollum (attending from Ypsilanti Township, MI); and Brenda McKinney (attending from Superior Township, MI)

Members Absent: Ricky Jefferson; Robert Marans; and Evan Pratt

Staff Present: Meghan Bonfiglio, Deputy Director; Peter Sanderson, Park Planner; and Hannah Cooley, Management Analyst

Others Present: None

1. Call to Order/Moment of Silence

Ms. Tupacz Scribner called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. with a moment of silence in appreciation of those lost during the global pandemic.

2. Public Comment

None.

3. Chelsea B2B Segment Construction Award

Mr. Sanderson explained that in order to complete the southerly connection into the City of Chelsea and the downtown area, Commission staff, the Huron Waterloo Pathways Initiative (HWPI) and the City of Chelsea have collaborated to create a 1.5 mile trail segment that connects through MDOT right of way, private easements, and City of Chelsea property. The project is being constructed in coordination with a 2020 Connecting Communities Grant that was awarded to the City of Chelsea to link Timbertown and Veterans Park as part of their planned city greenway network. Mr. Sanderson reported that three bids were received with Erie Construction being the lowest qualified bid.

Ms. McCollum inquired about the reason that C & D Hughes bid was so much higher than the estimate. Mr. Sanderson responded that the asphalt pricing was higher.

Mr. Joerg asked if the bid from the contractor included padding and how often do we see cost overruns. Mr. Sanderson explained that the bids do not include any contingencies, which is why we have

recommended a 10% contingency be added to the total award. He also added that over the past six years, B2B projects have come in at or under budget.

Mr. Ezekiel asked when the project would be completed as he is eager to use that segment. Mr. Sanderson went over the anticipated timeline and explained that the project should be completed by fall 2022.

It was moved by Mr. Ezekiel and seconded by Ms. McKinney to award the Chelsea B2B Segment Construction Contract, RFP 8121, to Erie Construction in the amount of \$1,457,335.00 and authorize a 10% contingency of \$145,733. 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 3 Absent (Jefferson, Marans, Pratt) the motion was approved.

4. Adjournment

It was moved by Ms. McKinney and seconded by Mr. Joerg to adjourn the meeting. Ayes all; the motion was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:11 p.m.