

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mike Geisel, City Administrator

FROM: James Eckrich, Director of Public Works/City Engineer

SUBJECT: Planning & Public Works Committee Meeting Summary  
Thursday, June 22, 2023



A meeting of the Planning and Public Works Committee of the Chesterfield City Council was held on Thursday, June 22, 2023 in Conference Room 101.

In attendance were: **Chair Merrell Hansen** (Ward IV); **Councilmember Mary Monachella** (Ward I); and **Councilmember Mary Ann Mastorakos** (Ward II). **Councilmember Dan Hurt** (Ward III) was absent.

Others in attendance were: James Eckrich, Director of Public Works/City Engineer; and Christine Dorough, Recording Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

### I. APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY

#### A. Approval of the June 8, 2023 Committee Meeting Summary

**Councilmember Monachella** made a motion to approve the Meeting Summary of June 8, 2023. The motion was seconded by **Councilmember Mastorakos** and **passed by a voice vote of 3-0**.

### II. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

### III. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. Electric Charging Stations

#### **STAFF PRESENTATION**

**Public Works Director, Jim Eckrich** gave an overview of his report which was an evaluation of the benefits/costs of electric charging stations for the public in the City of Chesterfield. He broke down the construction proposal and potential Ameren incentive. He shared his recommendation that the City not pursue electric charging stations at this time due to costs.

#### **DISCUSSION**

**Chair Merrell Hansen** commended Mr. Eckrich on his well-presented and exhaustive research. Chair Hansen stated that many in the community believe this is not a service the City should provide, and that it should be viewed similarly to gasoline which is provided via private industry. Councilmembers Monachella and Mastorakos asked questions regarding the location, public

access, and user costs of proposed charging stations. Mr. Eckrich addressed those questions to the satisfaction of the Committee.

After some discussion the Committee concurred that while this is something that may be revisited at a later date, it is not something to pursue at this time. The Committee determined this would not be forwarded to City Council so no action was taken.

[Please see the attached report prepared by James Eckrich, Public Works Director, for additional information on Electric Charging Stations]

**B. Public Street Acceptance- Bur Oaks Subdivision:**

**STAFF PRESENTATION**

**Public Works Director, Jim Eckrich** reported that Silver Buck Lane has been inspected by City Staff and meets the design and construction standards to be accepted as a public street. Therefore, a draft ordinance is proposed to be considered by City Council.

**DISCUSSION**

There was a short discussion regarding maintenance acceptance and the services the City provides. Mr. Eckrich explained that certain criteria must be met prior to the City accepting a street and prior to the City commencing snow and ice removal services. Snow and ice removal services are typically started prior to final acceptance of the street, in accordance with City Policy.

**Chair Hansen** made a motion to forward **Public Street Acceptance- Bur Oaks Subdivision to City Council with a recommendation to approve.** The motion was seconded by **Councilmember Monachella** and **passed** by a voice vote of 3-0.

**Note: One Bill, as recommended by the Planning Commission, will be needed for the July 17, 2023 City Council Meeting. See Bill #**

[Please see the attached report prepared by James Eckrich, Public Works Director, for additional information on Public Street Acceptance- Bur Oaks Subdivision.]

**C. Public Street Acceptance- Fienup Farms Plats 5, 6 and 9**

**STAFF PRESENTATION**

**Public Works Director, Jim Eckrich** explained that these streets in Fienup Farms have been inspected by City Staff and meet the requirements to be accepted as public streets.

**DISCUSSION**

A brief discussion was held regarding the Fienup Farms subdivision and why certain streets and portions of streets have been accepted while others have not. Mr. Eckrich clarified that streets are not accepted until all deficiencies are addressed.

**Chair Hansen** made a motion to forward **Public Street Acceptance- Fienup Farms Subdivision, Plats 5, 6 and 9 to City Council with a recommendation to approve.** The motion was seconded by **Councilmember Mastorakos** and **passed** by a voice vote of 3-0.

**Note: One Bill, as recommended by the Planning Commission, will be needed for the July 17, 2023 City Council Meeting. See Bill #**

[Please see the attached report prepared by James Eckrich, Director of Public Works for additional information on the Public Street Acceptance- Fienup Farms Subdivision]

**D. Schoettler Road Sidewalk Project- Program Agreement:**

**STAFF PRESENTATION**

**Public Works Director, Jim Eckrich** shared that the City of Chesterfield has received funding via a Transportation Alternatives Program grant to construct a missing section of sidewalk on Schoettler Road from Windsor Valley Court to Greenleaf Valley Court. This grant will fund 65% (\$833,300) of the total project cost (\$1,282,000). If the Council approves this, the City will issue a Request for Proposals for engineering and design services later this year. All costs for this project have been incorporated into the City's Five-Year Capital Projects plan as presented to City Council on June 8, 2023.

**DISCUSSION**

The Committee commended Mr. Eckrich on his success on the grant. Councilmember Mastorakos stated that residents in her ward have been requesting this sidewalk for some time and are thrilled that this project now has funding.

**Councilmember Mastorakos** made a motion to forward the Schoettler Road Sidewalk Project Program Agreement to City Council with a recommendation to approve. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Monachella and passed by a voice vote of 3-0.

**Note: One Bill, as recommended by the Planning Commission, will be needed for the July 17, 2023 City Council Meeting. See Bill #**

[Please see the attached report prepared by James Eckrich, Director of Public Works for additional information on the Schoettler Road Sidewalk Project- Program Agreement]

**IV. OTHER** – None.

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m.