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TOLEDO CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
April 23, 2008

A City Council work session was called to order at 6:17 pm.

Council Present: Mayor Jim Chambers, Councilors Mark Camara, Bob Emmett, and Council President Rod Cross. Councilor Ron Beckham arrived at 6:31pm.

Absent: Councilors Sarah Cole and Wes Chadwick.

Staff Present: City Manager (CM) Pete Wall and Utility/Recording Clerk Nancy Bryant

Review May 7, 2008 City Council Agenda

Council and staff discussed the May 7th agenda. There were no changes.

Proposed Motion to authorize the Mayor or City Manager to apply for an Oregon Department of Transportation Enhancement Grant with the Port of Toledo.

(CM) Wall reminded Council that at a joint meeting of the City Council and Board of Director of the Port of Toledo there was discussion of working together to plan and implement improvements for access between the city center and the Port of Toledo's waterfront. Port and city staff have met to discuss filing joint grant applications to develop a plan to tie the Main Street area with the Port's waterfront property by providing safe bicycle and pedestrian access between the city center and the waterfront.

This grant would be for implementing three crossings identified as: First Street and Butler Bridge Road, Main Street and Butler Bridge Road and North Bay Road. It has a 10.27% match and that amount would be evenly divided between the City and the Port. The city's share of the match would be taken from the street fund or the footpaths and bicycle tails fund if allowed.

It is staff's recommendation to authorize the Mayor or City Manager to apply for an Oregon Department of Transportation Enhancement Grant with the Port of Toledo.

Motion-It was moved and seconded (Camara/Emmett) to authorize the Mayor or City manager to apply for an Oregon Department of Transportation Enhancement Grant with the Port of Toledo. **Motion passed 4-0.**

General Discussion

Council and staff discussed jurisdiction transfer of Lincoln Drive and Skyline Drive. (CM) Wall agreed to pass the information on to the Planning Department.

Mayor Chambers acknowledged that the Public Works Director Adam Denlinger gave the County an estimate of the overlay costs for Arcadia Road. (CM) Wall agreed to start the annexation process for the area.

(CP) Cross requested a report or update on Nye Street. He has been contacted by concerned residents who live in that area. Their concern is that it would be very difficult to get fire trucks or a crew up there if there were an emergency. He would like to know who owns what and does the City have right of ways?

Council discussed the issue of semi trucks using Arcadia Drive. The trucks are missing the truck routes and using Arcadia Drive by mistake. The situation is dangerous because the street size is not adequate to accommodate that type of traffic.

Mayor Chambers inquired about the process for the speed zone changes made to Business Hwy 20 near Burgess Road and the private school. He has received public comments regarding the speed signage and the fact that there is so little distance between the 25, 35 and 50 speed signs.

Council discussed the local public transit schedule and the need for a morning connecting bus from Newport to South Beach to accommodate patrons trying to use public transit to get to work. Mayor Chambers stated that he has been working with the transit district and suggested that they could use representatives from all areas including Toledo. Councilor Emmett stated that he would be interested in volunteering.

Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 7:18 pm.

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Utility/Recording Clerk

Mayor