

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
January 28, 2020

PRESENT: Chairperson Mixon, Members Hegy, Carroll

ABSENT: Member Garza

ALSO PRESENT: City Administrator Volkert, City Engineer Schall

Call to Order – Chairperson Mixon called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers of Hartford City Hall, 109 North Main Street.

Roll Call – All members of the Committee were present except Member Garza.

Public Comment Period – None.

2020 Construction Schedule – City Engineer Schall provided information on the 2020 construction projects and schedule, and responded to questions.

2020 Sidewalk Program – City Engineer Schall provided information on the sidewalks marked for repair/replacement as part of the 2020 Sidewalk Repair/Replacement Program, and responded to questions. It is necessary to obtain approval from the Public Works Committee to send notices to property owners requiring homeowners to repair the defective sidewalk. It will be the property owners' responsibility to complete the required sidewalk repairs or replacement and to pay the associated costs. If any property owner fails to complete the sidewalk repairs or replacement as ordered, the City's contractor will complete the sidewalk replacement at the City's request and the City will bill the property owner for the actual costs. Final cost is unknown at this time until the total square feet of sidewalk is determined. The 2020 Sidewalk Program will also include the installation of new sidewalk on the streets in the Lake View Acres, 1st Addition. This will fulfill the requirements of the Developer's Agreement for this subdivision. \$129,000 is included in the 2020 CIP budget for the sidewalk program.

MOTION by Alderperson Carroll, and seconded by Alderperson Hegy approving an Order of the Public Works Committee requiring that any sidewalk which is unsafe, defective, or insufficient be repaired or replaced at the locations listed on the 2020 Sidewalk Program Address List, and authorizing appropriate City officials to execute the Order. MOTION CARRIED

New Sidewalk Installation – As the Engineering Department was inspecting sidewalk for the 2020 Sidewalk Program, several areas of missing sidewalk were observed. These areas include Evergreen Drive (E Monroe Avenue to the south); Morgan Drive (Jefferson Avenue to the north end); and Arthur Avenue (E Monroe Avenue to the north end). The City of Hartford does require all new development to install sidewalk along both sides of all streets, with the exception of the Industrial Park. These gaps in the sidewalk network are all located on dead end streets and a cul-de-sac with sidewalk available on the opposite side of the street. Staff is requesting a recommendation from the Public Works Committee on whether to proceed with sidewalk installation in these gaps and a recommendation on how to pay for it. The estimated cost of installing sidewalk in these areas is \$30,000, which could be special assessed to the adjacent property owners. The Committee discussed whether or not to proceed with sidewalk installation in these areas.

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MOTION by Alderperson Carroll, and seconded by Alderperson Hegy to require the installation of new sidewalk in the 2020 Sidewalk Program area where sidewalk is currently missing. MOTION CARRIED.

Adjournment – MOTION by Alderperson Hegy, and seconded by Alderperson Carroll for adjournment. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Hetzel, City Clerk

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