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BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Regular Meeting – Monday, November 6, 2006 – 8:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Mr. Kesner, City Atty.; Ms. Ledesma, City Clerk; Ms. Welch, Community Dev. Dir.;
Mr. Wheaton, Chief Insp. -4

EXCUSED: Mr. Braier

ALSO W. Kappel, Dir. of Public Works; W. Wehrley, City Engineer; J. Wojcehowicz, Water
PRESENT: Supt.; G Blando, Prop. Maint. Insp.; J. Archambo, City Admin.

Mr. Kesner in the Chair.

The chair requested any additions or corrections to the minutes of the previous meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Wheaton, seconded by Ms. Welch to accept
the minutes as printed. Ayes: 4

Street Vendor License – 6830 W. State Street

The Board reviewed an application by Joseph Roeske, 2360 Swan Boulevard, for a Street Vendor license for sale of Christmas trees at 6830 W. State Street from November 20 through December 24, 2006. Mr. Roeske confirmed that this location is the Proto Products parking lot, which he used last year. Mr. Kappel reported that there were no problems in connection with that use.

It was moved by Mr. Wheaton, seconded by Ms. Welch to approve the
requested Street Vendor license. Ayes: 4

2007 Special Assessment Policy and Rates

Mr. Wehrley reported that 2007 special assessment rates are being increased by \$1 per lineal foot for Type A street improvements, by 80 cents for Type B, and by 40 cents for Type C to reflect increased costs. The Chair reported that the Finance Director requests that this be forwarded to the Budget and Finance Committee so that it moves forward to Council with the Capital Improvements Program.

It was moved by Mr. Wheaton, seconded by Ms. Ledesma to forward the
resolution to the Budget and Finance Committee with a recommendation
for approval. Ayes: 4

Request for Waiver of Special Pickup Fee

The Board reviewed a request by Margaret Puls, 11210 W. Wisconsin Avenue, for waiver of a \$40 fee assessed for pickup of an item left at curbside. The Board received copies of an e-mail exchange between

Ms. Puls and Mr. Kappel in which Ms. Puls indicated that she did not request a special pickup but had placed a portable dehumidifier at the curb in hopes that someone who could use it would take it.

Mr. Kappel reported that special pickup fees can be assessed without advance notice. Once an item is placed at the curb, it becomes city property. City crews who observe an item at the curb are required to either pick it up immediately or report the address for subsequent pickup. The city tries not to let items accumulate at the curb for more than a week. Having been a Wauwatosa homeowner since at least 2004, Ms. Puls would have received several annual newsletters that contain information on special curb collection rules. For that reason, Mr. Kappel denied her request for cancellation of the charge.

It was moved by Mr. Wheaton, seconded by Ms. Welch to concur with the decision of the Director of Public Works and require payment of the \$40 special assessment fee for curb pickup. Ayes: 4

Water Pumpage Report

The water pumpage report and billing analysis for October reported pumpage of 145,518,000 gallons compared to 157,631,400 in October 2005. The Chair requested that the report in the future compare actual monthly pumpage to the projected monthly pumpage shown in the annual budget.

Request for Street Occupancy Permit for Work Outside of Regular Hours

The Board reviewed an application by Gerry Tetzlaff, Bohmann & Vick, Inc., for a street occupancy permit for sewer/water work in city right-of-way at 9125 W. North Avenue. Mr. Wehrley explained that the contractor for the Locker's development would like to excavate a sewer lateral in North Avenue on Sunday night. Eastbound North Avenue would be closed to traffic until noon on the following Monday. Due to the volume of traffic that North Avenue carries, staff is not comfortable with closing it to eastbound traffic during the rush hour and would recommend approval only if the road is open to all traffic as of 6 a.m.

Possible alternatives were discussed, including daytime hours on the weekend, although traffic is heavy on Saturday and also builds up by late morning on Sunday. It may be possible to temporarily plate the trench during heavy traffic hours and complete the work later during non-rush-hour periods. Detour traffic would likely need to be routed to Jackson Park Boulevard. If parameters are established, staff would work out the details of staging and ensuring that North Avenue remains open during rush hours.

It was moved by Ms. Welch, seconded by Mr. Wheaton to approve a street occupancy permit contingent upon eastbound North Avenue remaining open during rush hours and allowing any night work only up to 10 p.m. in order to minimize disruptions to neighbors. Ayes: 4

Security Gate at 6734-38 W. North Avenue

The Board reviewed a letter from Jeff Growel, 6734 W. North Avenue, appealing an order to remove a security gate installed on the west exterior door at 6734-38 W. North Avenue in violation of city code. Mr. Blando outlined the dates of the original complaint, the notice of noncompliance, and subsequent contact.

Mr. Growel spoke of his experience with break-ins and said the gate was installed without knowledge of the code prohibition. He noted that there is access to two businesses from this point. The door is very flimsy and

easily kicked in, but it cannot be completely blocked off because it is an emergency exit. He was also concerned that cars could crash into the door to force it open.

Mr. Wheaton said that a field inspector reported that the door is a wood-framed, residential-style that is not appropriate for commercial use. Installation of a proper 18- gauge steel commercial door that swings outward along with a steel frame would alleviate the need for any type of security gate.

It was moved by Mr. Wheaton, seconded by Ms. Ledesma to deny the appeal and direct the Property Maintenance Inspector to extend the notice of noncompliance an additional 10 days to allow time to remove the gate and/or to provide a copy of a contract for a commercial door, at which time the order would be held pending installation –

Ms. Welch explained the prohibition and suggested that, if there are additional concerns, the police community support officers who are trained in crime prevention through environmental design could be contacted. Mr. Wehrley mentioned the possibility of installing bollards to block the door, and Mr. Wheaton offered the assistance of his department in determining the correct type of door.

Vote on the motion, Ayes: 4

Partial Payments and Contract Updates

Mr. Kappel and Mr. Wehrley reported on the progress of work in the Hart Park area, including 68th Street construction and flood proofing of the Muellner building.

Board Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Public Works of the City of Wauwatosa, Wisconsin that the proper City Officers be and they are hereby authorized and directed to issue City orders in favor of the contractor listed below in the amount listed in the column headed “Amount” as partial payment for work completed as indicated on the attached Exhibit pursuant to the terms of the contract noted.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Payment No.</u>	<u>Contract No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
American Sewer Services, Inc.	2	05-05 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation	\$ 23,021.87
Schreiber/Anderson Associates, Inc.	6	06-24 Hart Park Expansion Preliminary Design	\$ 10,625.34
Schreiber/Anderson Associates, Inc.	7	06-24 Hart Park Expansion Preliminary Design	\$ 27,075.36
Graef, Anhalt, Schloemer & Associates, Inc.	1	06-25 Floodproof Muellner and Parks Administration Buildings	\$ 4,809.51
Graef, Anhalt, Schloemer & Associates, Inc.	2	06-25 Floodproof Muellner and Parks Administration Buildings	\$ 5,552.46
Pieper Electric, Inc.	3	05-29 Street Lighting Distribution Cabinets	\$ 21,276.80
Payne & Dolan, Inc.	1	06-7 Asphalt Concrete Repaving	\$198,178.22

It was moved by Mr. Wheaton, seconded by Ms. Ledesma to approve

the foregoing. Ayes: 4

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 a.m.

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Secretary to the Board