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TRAFFIC & SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING Tuesday, September 4, 2012 Committee Room #1

PRESENT: Aids. McBride, Moldenhauer, Pantuso, Roznowski, Wilke – 5

ALSO PRESENT: W. Porter, Public Works Dir.

Ald. Wilke as Chair called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Communication with Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Planning Section Chief regarding WisDOT Project I.D. 2030-09-40, STH100 from Burleigh Street to Silver Spring Drive, for inclusion of certain design elements

Mr. Porter referenced a draft letter to the WisDOT Planning Section Chief regarding the possibility of including all Community Sensitive Solution (CSS) design elements being constructed on the segment of Mayfair Road that is being approved in 2013. He contacted WisDOT officials and was told that the 2013 segment of Mayfair Road work is following federal design standards due to its involvement with the Zoo Interchange. He noted that the work being done on Mayfair Road from Walnut Road to Burleigh Street and the work on the segment of Mayfair Road north of Burleigh Street to Hampton Avenue scheduled for 2014 are street rehabilitation projects and not total reconstruction projects. There have no federal dollars involved.

Mr. Porter explained that the city could undertake its own CSS process, and request that WisDOT incorporate the end result in their bidding documents for Burleigh Street to Hampton Avenue in 2014 and retrofit CSS design elements on the section of Mayfair Road from Walnut Road to Burleigh Street. This would require the city to pay 100% of the planning and construction costs. If this was Wauwatosa's request, he was encouraged by WisDOT to initiate this process quickly. An estimate from the design consultant came to approximately \$3 million. If the committee supports the CSS design, that is the cost that would be needed.

Moved by Ald. Pantuso, seconded by Ald. Moldenhauer to recommend requesting approval from WisDOT for the CSS design process through the draft letter provided by the Public Works Director. If the answer is positive, then the parameter of the City's fiscal commitment to installing CSS elements on the remaining portions of Mayfair Road can be reviewed as part of the upcoming Capital Budget discussion --

Ald. Pantuso asked what the response was from Mr. Robert Gutierrez from WisDOT. Mr. Porter responded that WisDOT urged the sooner the better as far as a decision goes. He added that adding CSS elements would not mean undoing anything that's there.

Ald. McBride asked if the city would be committing funds by getting approval for the CSS elements. Mr. Porter answered that the city would be asking approval of the process and request for the funding. He noted that the city could pull out. The state would want a time line to be kept. The design and elements included would be up to the Council.

Ald. Roznowski reiterated that the city is not committing to anything, but will be able to see how much funding they can get. The plans will be generated as the project goes along and the city can pick and chose the elements to keep.

Vote on the motion was Ayes: 5

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Carla A. Ledesma, City Clerk

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