

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Minutes – March 2, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Monona Public Works Committee was called to order by Committee Chair, Jennifer Kuhr, at 6:30 pm.).

Members Present: Alder Kuhr, Alder Thomas, Ms. Piliouras, Ms. Busse, Mr. Podell, Mr. Boyer

Members Absent: Mr. Turino, Mr. Speight

Also Present: DPW Director Stephany

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Busse and seconded by Mr. Podell to approve the Minutes of the February 2, 2022 Public Works Committee meeting was carried.

APPEARANCES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion and consideration of bid award for the Riverfront Permeable Paver Project.

Director Stephany explained the bid information included in the packet for review. Temporary asphalt was installed in the parking areas on Inland Way and in the speed hump area of Inland Way in 2019, as part of the infrastructure work for the Riverfront triangle development. Temporary pavement was installed in these areas so the pavers and concrete wouldn't be damaged during construction of the three large buildings of the Riverfront Development. Now that construction of the three buildings are finished staff would like to proceed with temporary pavement removal. Bids were received on February 17, 2022 from three contractors for this project. Homburg Excavators provided the low bid of the three received for the amount of \$140,632

Mr. Turino submitted a question to be answered at the committee meeting. Mr. Turino wanted to know why there was a large difference for the Permeable Pavers at a range from \$58,000 to \$101,000, and asked if they are the same quality and will they function the same. Director Stephany responded that it is not known why a contractor chooses to assign an item cost that may be different than another contractor. Perhaps it's where the contractor allocates their markup for profit. Director Stephany stated that all bidders have to bid on the same product as specified in the Project Manual. Director Stephany also stated that Homburg was the original contractor in 2019 and they most likely wanted to finish the project they started. Homburg is very reputable and staff and the engineer doesn't have a concern with the bid price listed. Homburg has completed many successful projects for the City in the past.

A motion was made by Ms. Busse and seconded by Mr. Boyer to recommend approval of the Homburg Excavation bid for the amount of \$140,632 was carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Busse and seconded by Mr. Boyer to adjourn was carried (6:40pm).

Daniel Stephany
Director of Public Works