

MINUTES
Warrenton City Commission
WORK SESSION – August 22, 2017
5:15 p.m.
Warrenton City Hall - Commission Chambers
225 S. Main
Warrenton, Or 97146

Mayor Balensifer called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Mayor Balensifer, Tom Dyer, Pam Ackley, Rick Newton and Mark Baldwin

Staff Present: City Manager Linda Engbretson, Public Works Director Jim Dunn, Finance Director April Clark, Fire Chief Tim Demers, Public Works Operations Manager Kyle Sharpsteen, and Deputy City Recorder Dawne Shaw

Public Works Director Jim Dunn gave a Power Point presentation on Wastewater Collections; specifically the areas in the city not served by sewer. He gave a brief history and overview, noting there have been many inquiries from people that want to connect to sewer service. He outlined the five major areas without service: 7th Place & N. Main; Delaura Beach & Pine; Galena; Hwy 101 & Delaura Beach Lane; and Hwy 101 Business, and gave a brief overview of each:

- 7th Place & N. Main – there is a Force Main however there a lot of properties that do not have service.
- Hwy 101 Business – there is a possible development going in; would be a gravity system; with the development, there is a possibility of extending a main
- Delaura Beach & Pine – whole area is not served; a small portion is outside of city limits
- Hwy 101 & Delaura Beach – quite a bit of this area is outside of city limits
- Galena – levee goes through and the city does not have ROW in some areas; would need boring; the Skipanon River, and other issues to deal with to provide sewer service

Mr. Dunn reviewed the project options. He noted for 7th & N. Main, they are looking at reconstructing that road, however more design work and geotechnical analysis needs to be done. He noted if we proceed with tearing out the concrete, it would be a good time to put in a sewer main. He stated it would be a gravity system with a pump station. Mr. Dunn explained grinder pumps, noting that if a private system installs a grinder pump it would need to go into a gravity main line; if it goes into a force main, it causes major issues and sanitary overflows. He noted if it goes into a gravity line, the homeowner is responsible; if it ties into a force main, the city is responsible, per DEQ. He stated this project option would be a package pump station, which is cheaper than a full pump station; the cost would possibly be \$450,000; however more design

work would have to be done before he could give more accurate cost. Discussion followed on the time frame for repaving or chip sealing that road, and Mr. Dunn stated the first step is to have the geotechnical analysis work done before we know which direction to go with the road work. He believes the geotech work could be done in 3 months, and then concrete removal can begin. Mr. Dunn stated there are some concerns with the pump station and there are design details to work out, which will take some time. Discussion continued on ground water, storm water and the condition of the road. Mr. Dunn noted the road repairs are in the CIP; however the sewer project is not, so he is looking for direction from the Commission. Brief discussion followed on the funding and the possibility of assessing hookup fees. Consensus was that 7th and N. Main is the number one priority, and Twin Spruce, (by the high school) needs to be addressed next. It was noted there was an LID formed for Twin Spruce. Mr. Dunn discussed the need to pull something out of the CIP to pay for this and noted there is an ordinance that states if there is a sewer line, people are required to hook up to it, which may upset some. Mayor Balensifer suggested holding a town hall for the affected residents, but noted he has mostly heard that people want to connect. Discussion continued on possible future developments and how they would provide sewer service. Mr. Dunn clarified the Commission agrees that 7th and N. Main is the first priority, and the city will pay to install sewer lines; and was given direction to come up with engineering work and design work on this project; this will be paid for by removing another project from the CIP. Mayor Balensifer stated there may be a need to revisit this after we receive the cost estimate, and Mr. Dunn agreed, he will come back to the Commission with updates as needed.

There being no further business Mayor Balensifer adjourned the work session 5:57 p.m.

APPROVED:



Henry Balensifer, Mayor

ATTEST:



Dawne Shaw, Deputy City Recorder