



Land Use Committee

1. Planning Commission Membership

Jennifer Barone has requested Committee time to discuss the Planning Commission's request for Council to consider the removal of a Planning Commission member due to attendance concerns. (attachment)

Administration Recommendation

Discuss the member attendance issue and direct staff accordingly.

Council Action

Discuss the concern and advise staff.



Streets, Sidewalks and Utilities Committee

2. Waterline Easement Modification In the Lakes of Franklin Mills

Jennifer Barone has requested Committee time to present a modification to an easement for the extension of a waterline in the Lakes of Franklin Mills Subdivision. Jen is requesting Council's approval and acceptance of the easement modification. (attachment)

Administration Recommendation

I encourage Council's approval to accept the easement as proposed.

Council Action

Authorize the modification to the waterline easement.



3. Plum Creek Stream Restoration Project

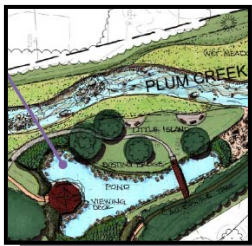
Jim Bowling has requested Committee time to discuss the structural condition of the culvert, dam, spillway and reservoir for Plum Creek. Jim has developed 4 engineering alternatives to address the infrastructure repair and replacement needs and he is requesting Council's authorization to proceed with his recommendation to restore the stream (alternative #3) using Federal stimulus dollars instead of replacing the failing infrastructure. Jim held a public meeting on July 30, 2009 at Fred Fuller Park to review the project options with members of the community. (attachment)

Administration Recommendation

Given the environmental and economic benefits that result from restoring the stream I recommend Council's support for Jim's recommendation and authorization to enter into an agreement with OEPA to proceed with the project.

Council Action

Authorize staff to proceed with the stream restoration project for Plum Creek.



Finance Committee Items

4. Incubator Tenant Application

Dan Smith has received an application for a new business (Kutash LLC) to fill the office space in the Summit Street Incubator vacated by Carrie Orris, LLC. Dan has reviewed the application and he recommends Council approval. (attachments)

Administration Recommendation

I recommend Council's approval of the incubator tenant application.

Council Actions

Approve the Summit Street Incubator tenant application.



Finance Committee (continued)

5. Rollover of City Notes

Dave Coffee has reviewed short and long term financing rates and he is recommending the rollover of \$3,820,000 in various purpose notes. By using short term notes we have saved \$660,000 in the last 7 years. (attachments)

Administration Recommendation

I recommend Council's authorization of the notes rollover as presented.

Council Actions

Approve the rollover of various City notes.

6. Annual Review of the 5 Year Capital Plan

Staff has prepared the draft 2010 Capital Improvement Plan for Council review. The capital plan provides a schedule of projects and financing for 2010 through 2014 based on a prioritization of most critical needs. (attachment)

Administrative Recommendation

Review and approve the 5 Year Capital Improvement Plan.

Council Action

Approve the Capital Improvement Plan.

Information Items

1. Traffic Engineering and Safety Meeting

Bill Lillich has provided copies of the August 21, 2009 Traffic Engineering and Safety meeting. There were 8 items up for discussion including: Don Joseph Toyota traffic routing, Haymaker @ Depeyster traffic signal, precautionary pedestrian signs, University parking changes on N. Lincoln Street, traffic impacts of the new Campus Pointe and Pebblebrooke Apartments, street cut policy, school speed zones and construction updates. (attachment)

2. Law Department Monthly Activity Report

Jim Silver has provided a summary of the activities of the Law Department during the month of June 2009. This is a new reporting mechanism that Jim has started to prepare to help Council track the status of legal matters that the Law Department is working on. (attachment)

3. Fire Statistics Report

Chief Williams has forwarded his July 2009 Fire Statistics report. Total calls for service are slightly down (-3.2% overall). Specifically, fire calls are down -8% while EMS calls for service are down -1.4%. Incidents requiring the use of mutual aid have doubled in 2009 (35) from 2008 (14). (attachment)

4. Income Tax Report

Dave Coffee has provided a summary of income tax collections thru the end of July 2009. Overall the City income tax collections are down \$40,000 (-.64% decline) from the same month last year with Kent State's collections up 5.1%. (attachment)

5. Student Community Guide

As part of the City's efforts to welcome Kent State Students into our community we developed a student community guide that listed local places to eat, shop and enjoy around Kent. I have included a copy for your information. We hope to modify this to be a general welcome guide for any new resident that moves to Kent. (attachment)



Information Items (continued)

6. State Route 261 Bridge Work

Jim Bowling advises that the soonest the bridges on 261 will be open could be Sept 3rd or 4th. This is weather dependent for the bridge painting. There is a possibility that they may need to work over the weekend, in which case the road will not be opened until the 8th. We will know more on their schedule early next week.

7. Paving Work on Jesse

Due to lower than expected paving bids, we will be able to extend our paving season and start on the 2010 paving list. We will begin paving Jesse from Elna Avenue to Roosevelt Avenue this year, and we will start next year with the section of Jesse from Roosevelt Avenue to Longmere Drive.