

Minor Betterment Program Review and Selection Committee



Department of
Land Use & Transportation

November 5, 2013
4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Walnut Street Center
Training Room 1

Members:

Brian Irish, County
Doug Riedweg, RROMAC
Dyami Valentine, County
Jason Yurgel, CCI
Jim McCulloch, RROMAC
Marty Moyer, URMDAC
Paul Seitz, County
Shelley Oylear, County
Tim Connelly, URMDAC

Staff:

Andrew Singelakis
Dave Schamp
Linda Moehnke
Steve Franks
Todd Watkins
Victoria Saager

Absent:

Jake Mintz, CCI

MINUTES

Victoria Saager opened the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Jim McCulloch moved to accept the minutes of the October 3 meeting. Marty Moyer seconded the motion. Minutes were unanimously approved.

Update on Current Projects

Todd reported most of the 2012-2013 projects are essentially done. The 173rd project is moving forward now that the utility issues are resolved. River Road left turn lane was saw cut today. 2013-2014 projects are being surveyed. Clean Water Services will take the lead on the culvert on Laidlaw. Recommendations for 2013-2014 projects have been presented to Dave Schamp. Dave said he will review them with the other managers of the department leadership team.

The committee discussed and decided an alternate project should be chosen. Brian Irish presented two projects he thought would be the best choice for an alternate. The projects suggested were Cornell Road (a pedestrian path north side west of 97th Avenue and 102nd Avenue) and Scholls Ferry Road (connect sidewalk on north side from Laurelwood Road to Northvale Way). The committee unanimously decided the Scholls Ferry candidate would be the best.

Jim suggested the existing list of candidates be reviewed to remove from consideration the ones that do not meet the program criteria. Paul suggested an auto expire; however, Victoria pointed out the public has been told the candidates will remain on the list.

Debrief

What went well?

Public outreach and feedback was good both in written comments and in person.
Starting earlier this year was helpful and six-week public input phase is good.
Setting a dollar limit / limiting candidates to only those eligible early.
Ending meetings on time.

What should we change next year?

Possibly a YouTube video or a virtual open house
Retaining consistent evaluation matrix
Deactivate/cull candidates by dollar amount
Continue to send comment reminders and updates to committee members

Positives

Committee makeup
Selection process
Timing
Meeting schedule
Staff support excellent
Evaluation criteria, weighting and scoring
Informational material
Email reminders were helpful
Public outreach and involvement

Thank You to all Committee Members

Brian thanked everyone for sharing their insight and mentioned the value different CPOs represented bringing different perspectives. Victoria added the staff input from other departments was good and the answers were readily available due to the variety of representatives.

Thank you gifts and certificates were distributed by LUT Director Andrew Singelakis to the committee members.

Miscellaneous

Jason mentioned that CPO 6 was about gone and so was CPO 3. He has resigned as Chair of CPO 6. He said the fact that a Chair of a CPO can be personally sued and is not protected by the county is an issue. It is a lot of work and time commitment. Andrew suggested there needs to be legislation to fix the liability issue. There was discussion that HOAs may be depleting the pool of people willing to serve on CPOs. Doug Riedweg shared the success of CPO 10 and 15 and what may be done to help keep others active.

Meeting adjourned at 5 p.m.