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Member

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Alternate Member

MINUTES OF THE DRAINAGE AND FLOODING COMMITTEE MEETING MAY 11, 2020

The Drainage and Flooding Committee of the City of La Porte met on Monday, May 11, 2020, at the City Hall Council Chambers, 604 West Fairmont Parkway, La Porte, Texas, at 5:00 p.m. to consider the following items of business:

Committee Members present: Jay Martin, Chuck Engelken, Danny Earp, (*Alternate Gillett available if needed*)

Committee Members absent: None

Council-appointed officers present: Corby Alexander, City Manager; Lee Woodward, City Secretary

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - Chairman Martin called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2. **CITIZEN COMMENT** (*Generally limited to five minutes per person, in accordance with state law, the time may be reduced if there is a high number of speakers or other considerations.*)

There were no citizen comments.

3. STATUTORY AGENDA

- (a) **Approve minutes of the meeting held on March 9, 2020. [Chairman Martin]**

Committee member Engelken moved to approve the minutes; the motion was adopted, 3-0.

- (b) **Presentation, discussion, and possible in connection with receipt of a report regarding the Harris County Flood Control District's (HCFCD) and Harris County Precinct 2's current and future plans relating to flooding in the City of La Porte. [Lorenzo Wingate, Assistant Director of Public Works]**

Mr. Wingate said HCFCD was moving forward with plans for preliminary engineering for property in the northern section of Brookglen, for detention in a five-acre area near Gladwyne Court. He noted they were then expected to work on the adjacent area to the south and then to regional solutions. Regarding F10106, Mr. Wingate said HCFCD was also working on designs to get across the pipeline corridor. For F216, Phase III, from Madison to Sens Road, he said HCFCD has also secured consultants and were coordinating with the City, and that additional clearing and cleaning of the ditch was being accomplished.

- (c) **Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the status of current drainage projects. [Lorenzo Wingate, Assistant Director of Public Works]**

Mr. Wingate provided updates on drainage projects, noting the consultant had sent crews at Bayside Terrace and about 30% of the PER was complete. He said two allocations had been received for 6th Street from Madison to Main and that Phase I would be on the first June Council agenda. He said the scope for Phase II was being completed. Mr. Wingate referred to the list of other projects in the packet for which grant applications had been made, as the City was notified on April 13 that TDEM had not selected any of them. Member Earp asked that the money that had been set aside be evaluated to determine which products it could cover design expenses for. Mr. Wingate reviewed with the Committee Exhibit 9, regarding proposed drainage improvements

at the airport. The City Manager agreed to return options to prevent water flooding from the airport across to the Lomax area.

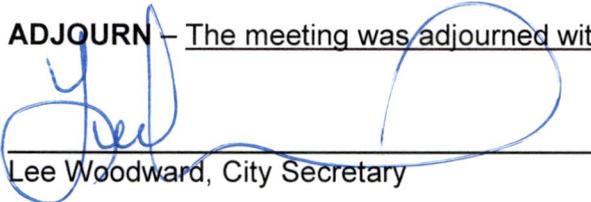
(d) Presentation, discussion, and possible action to provide staff with direction, if necessary, regarding additional drainage concerns. [Lorenzo Wingate, Assistant Director of Public Works]

Member Earp asked for a look into the water coming off Koala Wash at Battleground. Chair Martin asked if the apartments to be built east of the airport would create any additional concerns. Mr. Wingate said the development would be required to have detention and the property would have to meet Harris County standards. Member Engelken recalled the City had conducted a land swap with Pasadena several years ago, on which a 100-acre detention pond would be developed. Mr. Wingate said Pasadena had received several million dollars in funding and wanted to relocate the drainage to the Red Bluff area. The City Manager said staff would bring an update on the agreement. Member Engelken said he would also set up a meeting with Mr. Black of HCFCD. Member Engelken also expressed concern as to whether additional issues would result with the Fairmont Parkway expansion.

4. Set next meeting - The next meeting date was set for June 8, 2020.

5. Committee Member Comments – There were no comments.

ADJOURN – The meeting was adjourned without objection at 5:38 p.m.



Lee Woodward, City Secretary