

GENERAL GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

MARCH 23, 2021

9:30 A.M. - 10:32 A.M.

REMOTE ONLY

COUNCIL PRESENT: DEPUTY MAYOR PRATT (CHAIR), MAYOR RYDER, COUNCILMEMBER GREENSTEIN

STAFF PRESENT: SCOTT SPENCE, ROBERT ALMADA, SCOTT EGGER, SCOTT DEVLIN, JAMIE OAKLAND, ELISSA FONTAINE

ACTION: APPROVE THE GENERAL GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AGENDA

MOTION: MOTION MADE, SECONDED, AND CARRIED BY COUNCILMEMBER GREENSTEIN AND MAYOR RYDER

INTRODUCTION OF INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION TEAM REPRESENTATIVES

STAFF: ROBERT ALMADA, INTERIM POLICE CHIEF

ACTION: INFORMATION ONLY

Robert Almada, Interim Police Chief, provided an update on the Independent Investigation Team (IIT), and introduced the City of Lacey's community representatives.

With the passage of Initiative 940, the Lacey Police Department is required to provide a completely independent criminal investigation of any use of deadly force by its officers. An interlocal agreement was formed with other local agencies to pool resources and provide rapid response times.

An IIT consists of certified peace officer investigators (Detectives) and civilian crime scene specialists (Evidence), and at least two non-law enforcement, community representatives from member agencies.

The Lacey Police Department reviewed 24 applicants, and 12 applicants were interviewed. Interim Chief Almada introduced the group of six community representatives chosen to serve on the IIT and advised the Committee that they would receive use of force training starting in May.

THURSTON COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

STAFF: KAREN WEISS, INTERIM SOLID WASTE DIVISION MANAGER, THURSTON COUNTY
WENDY MIFFLIN, SENIOR SOLID WASTE PLANNER, HDR, INC.

ACTION: FORWARD INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THURSTON COUNTY FOR SOLID WASTE AND HAZARDOUS WASTE PLANNING AND ASSOCIATED FLOW CONTROL ORDINANCE TO FULL CITY COUNCIL FOR ADOPTION

MOTION: MOVED AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GREENSTEIN AND MAYOR RYDER. MOTION CARRIED.

Karen Weiss, Thurston County's Interim Solid Waste Division Manager, and Wendy Mifflin, HDR, Inc.'s Senior Solid Waste Planner, presented on the Thurston County Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan for years 2021-2026 and Flow Control.

The Solid Waste Management Plan recommends strategies to manage solid waste generated in Thurston County over the next 6-20 years. Upon adoption, this plan will guide the actions of Thurston County and the participating cities of Lacey, Olympia, Rainier, Tenino, Tumwater, and Yelm.

Staff provided information on the background, overview of the current solid waste system, mission and goals, and flow control. The presentation also reviewed current landfill facilities, potential changes, historical & projected service area projections and waste generation projections.

The purpose of this plan is to develop recommended waste management strategies for years 2021-2026 to fulfill the requirements of RCW 70A.205. The plan also looks forward to ensure that sufficient processing and disposal options will be available for at least the next twenty years.

With completion expected by July 31, 2021, next steps include approval of an Interlocal Agreement with Thurston County for Solid Waste and Hazardous Waste Planning, adoption of Flow Control Ordinance, adoption of the 2021-2026 Solid Waste Management Plan, and final approval by Washington State Department of Ecology.

2020 ANNUAL REPORT – PARKS MAINTENANCE RIGHT OF WAY TEAM

STAFF: SCOTT EGGER, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
SCOTT DEVELIN, PARKS MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR
JAMIE OAKLAND, SENIOR MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN

ACTION: INFORMATION ONLY

Jamie Oakland, Senior Maintenance Technician, provided a 2020 Annual Report of the Parks Maintenance Right of Way (ROW) Team. The presentation reviewed the Parks Department organizational chart and a breakdown of team responsibilities. When fully staffed, the Parks Department consists of 20 FTEs and 23.5 seasonal employees (6 months).

The ROW Team is responsible for grounds maintenance on the following:

- 15.25 acres of ROW ornamental landscapes
- 11.72 acres of ROW turf
- 4554 street trees
- 41.5 acres of athletic fields
- 70.4 acres of non-irrigated turf
- 416.7 acres of urban forest on developed and undeveloped park property
- 6.8 acres of waste water grounds at 54 locations
- 27.9 acres of grounds at 19 water production and storage locations
- 137.6 acres of city owned undeveloped property
- Spraying 30.25 miles of sidewalk for the Street Department
- Spraying 30 ponds for the Storm Water Department

Detailed figures and highlights were provided regarding Street Tree Maintenance, Ornamental Landscape Beds, Vehicle Damage Repair, ROW Turf Maintenance, Water/Wastewater Grounds Maintenance, Mower Operations, Hazard Tree Removals, Holiday Lighting and Storm Response.

Committee members expressed interest in having additional discussions regarding any Parks Department/ROW Team resource needs.