



City Commission Meeting Highlights

Tuesday, October 23, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall

Comprehensive Stormwater Master Plan Phase I Completion Presentation

Principal-In-Charge/Senior Planning Advisor John Lyons with Strand Associates provided an update to the Paducah Board of Commissioners on the work completed by Strand in partnership with the City of Paducah and BFW Engineering & Testing on the completion of the first phase of the Comprehensive Stormwater Master Plan. A 29-page draft executive summary document has been provided to the Board which summarizes the activities in Phase I including the public engagement, the development of the baseline model using the flood information from the July 7, 2015 storm event and information from residents, the determination of 23 problem areas for flooding, and the selection of ten of those areas to be priority projects. Lyons said, "As we have built the model, there is no doubt the flooding is widespread in the City." The draft document also provides a project profile page for each of the ten priority projects. The profile pages include a description of each drainage project and a benefits summary. Lyons said, "The goal of the Master Plan is not to eliminate flooding. The goal is to mitigate flooding, to manage flooding—to find a balance between costs and benefits achieved. It's a difficult conversation. In a perfect world, no one would flood." In summary, if the drainage projects outlined in the ten project areas were completed, 245 homes in the City would not be flooded with an additional 289 structures seeing a reduction in flooding. The total cost is approximately \$43.3 million. Strand Associates currently is in the process of completing the second phase of the master plan which includes the development of annual operation and maintenance costs and the costs for repair and replacement of existing infrastructure, the projection of future funding needs, funding alternatives and rate options, billing system options, a rate comparison, and a storm water utility ordinance.

Parks & Recreation Master Plan Presentation

At the October 9 meeting, the Paducah Board of Commissioners approved a Municipal Order for a professional services agreement in the amount of \$102,500 between the City and Bacon, Farmer, and Workman Engineering & Testing (BFW) for the development of a Parks & Recreation Master Plan. BFW will develop the plan with the assistance of Peck, Flannery, Gream & Warren of Paducah in addition to Brandstetter/Carroll of Lexington, the company that completed the 2002 Master Plan for the Parks Department. That plan was updated in 2007. At this meeting, Pat Hoagland with Brandstetter/Carroll provided additional information about the Master Plan process including the community engagement initiatives. Some of the public engagement methods include the creation of a steering committee, interactive public workshops, meetings with stakeholder groups, surveys, online engagement tools, and public presentations. Hoagland said, "All of this public engagement leads to plans that really get built." He added that one of the goals is to develop a plan that gets everyone in a community within a ten minute walk to a park. The master planning process also will look at local demographics, review previous studies and similar parks systems, analyze management structure and policies, and provide an analysis of funding. The master planning process will take approximately 10 months.

Pat & Jim Brockenborough Rotary Health Park Sprayground and Restroom Project Contract

The Paducah Board of Commissioners approved a contract with Evrard/Strang Contractors in the amount of \$515,000 for the construction of a sprayground and restroom facility at the Pat & Jim Brockenborough Rotary Health Park located at 421 North 13th Street. Mayor Brandi Harless once again thanked the Brockenborough family for their generosity in providing \$500,000 for this park. Two bids were received for this project with Evrard/Strang Construction providing the lowest qualified bid. After receiving the Notice to Proceed, this will be a 150 calendar day project.

Noble Park Peck Addition Design Contract (vote November 13)

The Paducah Board of Commissioners introduced an ordinance for a contract with Bacon Farmer Workman Engineering & Testing, Inc. (BFW) for architectural design, permitting assistance, and construction documentation in the amount of \$36,320 for the Noble Park Peck Addition Project. This project is near the Cairo Road entrance to Noble Park with the plan to relocate the Peck memorial at the entrance to a new location in the park that will have nature trails, seating, and outdoor educational areas providing information on topics such as recycling, tree identification, stormwater management, and litter control. The trails will tie into the existing nature trail near the Anna Baumer Building and the Amphitheatre. Landscape Architect Jonathan Perkins with BFW said, "It's going to be a great opportunity for children in our community to have



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additional educational opportunities outside of a classroom.” Mr. Lane Peck established a fund in 2016 totaling \$300,000 with the Community Foundation of West Kentucky to be used for nature and outdoor education. Peck passed away in 2016. The monument at the Cairo Road entrance is in honor of Mr. Peck’s late wife. Parks & Recreation Director Mark Thompson said, “This is another example of the generosity of this community.”

Rezoning and Final Annexation of Properties on Hinkleville Rd, Harris Rd, and Olivet Church Rd

On July 24, 2018, the Paducah Board of Commissioners approved an intent to annex ordinance for several properties adjacent to Paducah’s west side. The properties total nearly 70 acres and have five different property owners. At this meeting, ordinances were approved for the final annexation of the properties and the rezoning of the properties from Low Density Residential (R-1) to Highway Business District (HBD). The Paducah Planning Commission met September 5, 2018, and provided a positive recommendation about the rezoning.

Three property owners requested the annexation of their properties:

- In a letter dated May 2, 2018, Ms. Nancy Bergfield requested the annexation of 5201 Hinkleville Road.
- In a letter dated March 16, 2018, Ms. Alberta Davis requested the annexation of 5310 Harris Road and 5325 Hinkleville Road.
- In a letter dated May 2, 2018, Falconite Real Estate Holdings, LLC requested the annexation of Tracts 2 and 3 on an annexation plat in addition to 2705 Olivet Church Road.

To facilitate growth, the City also annexed Tract 5 (19.95 acres owned by Menard, Inc.) and Tract 6 (8.0 acres owned by Harriett Reed, Trustee of Walter Reed Trust) as shown on the annexation plat. Plats showing all of the properties can be found in the meeting packet at <http://paducahky.gov/2018-city-commission>.

Quick Highlights

- Mayor Harless presented a proclamation to Kristy Lewis proclaiming October as Head Start Awareness Month. Paducah Head Start Preschool currently has an enrollment of 270 three and four year old students.
- Mayor Harless proclaimed this week as Vietnam Veterans Honor and Remembrance Week and encouraged the community to visit the Wall that Heals, a replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, which will be on display at Carson Park this Thursday through Sunday.
- Municipal Orders approved authorizing the following grant applications or grant awards:
 - Application for the Kentucky Department of Library and Archives (KDLA) Local Records grant. If awarded, the funds would be used to digitize 40 boxes of felony case files that must be stored for 80 years according to State law. The grant award is dependent upon the bids received by the City. No local match is required.
 - Application for the Kentucky League of Cities Insurance Services (KLCIS) 2018 Liability Grant. The grant request is for \$3000 which if awarded would be used by the Parks Department for mulching around playground equipment. This grant would require the City to match the amount awarded.
 - Application for the FEMA FY2018 Assistance to Firefighters Grant. The grant request is for \$270,000 which if awarded would require a \$30,000 match from the City. The funding would be used to purchase a heavy rescue truck for the Paducah Fire Department. This would replace the current truck with a larger truck to handle the equipment required for technical rescues.
 - Application for the 2019 Litter Abatement Program Grant through the Kentucky Division of Waste Management. If awarded, the grant would be used for the City’s Street Litter Abatement Program. Funding is based on a formula based on number of street miles within the City and the number of grant applicants.
 - Application for the FEMA FY2018 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant. The grant request is for \$72,836 which if awarded would require a City match of \$24,279. The funds would be used to purchase emergency power generators for Fire Stations #4 and #5.
 - Amend municipal order accepting 2017-2018 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Accountability Grant (JAG) Award to purchase five hand held radios for the Paducah Police Department instead of the license plate reader as outlined in the grant. The grant amendment requires an additional \$2588.45 in City funding. A separate municipal order was approved to accept the \$11,816 in grant funding.
 - Accept FY2018 Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) Grant Award from the Department of Justice in the amount of \$6330. This grant requires the City to provide an equal match. The funds will be used to purchase 15 body armor vests.



- Municipal Order approved for a contract for services between the City and Midtown Alliance of Neighbors. The City will be providing \$241,500 to be used by Midtown to hire a construction manager and financial manager and to be placed toward matching grant funds. This is a one year contract that expires June 30, 2019. The City has partnered with Midtown Alliance of Neighbors for a decade. This funding will assist the organization in working toward a Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) status as designated by the State of Kentucky. That status would open the doors for more grant funding as Midtown works to provide more affordable housing opportunities across the City.
- Municipal Order approved for a contract with Civil Design, Inc. (CDI) in the amount of \$26,500 to complete a structural and geotechnical analysis of the former Executive Inn Showroom Lounge located at 415 Park Street. The Showroom has been vacant since 2009. This analysis will review the soundness of the building for future development.
- Municipal order approved for contract with Consult Econ, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$34,775 to complete a hotel market study for the riverfront/downtown area.
- Municipal order approved accepting the donation of properties located at 1737, 1739, 1741, and 1743 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive for \$1.
- Ordinance introduced (vote November 13) to approve the plat with property line corrections along the riverfront. This is necessary to show that the City owns the property designated for the extension of the Greenway Trail along the riverfront. During the research process some property line discrepancies between the City and the Paducah McCracken County Convention Center Corporation were found on the plat that needed to be corrected.

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