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**Watershed Erosion Task Force Meeting**

Wednesday, May 26, 2021

Wildwood City Hall, 16860 Main Street, Wildwood, Missouri 63040

**Meeting #20 Minutes**

The Watershed Erosion Task Force meeting began at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, May 26, 2021, being hosted at Wildwood City Hall, 16860 Main Street, Wildwood, Missouri 63040, via the Zoom Webinar Platform.

**I. Roll Call of Task Force Members**

A roll call of members was taken, with the following results:

Present: Citizen Members Bartelsmeyer, Sturman, Holthouse, Berger, Patton, and Bramman. Council Members Edens, Farmer, Hopper, Gillani, and Rambaud (*arriving at 6:13 p.m.*).

Absent: Citizen Member Boykin and Donaldson. Council Members Brost and Bertolino.

Staff Present: Director of Planning and Parks Vujnich, Senior Planner Newberry, Director of Public Works Brown, Assistant City Engineer Rahn, and City Administrator Steve Cross.

**II. Election of Chair or Co-Chairs**

Director Vujnich provided an overview of the process for nominations of candidates for Chair and/or Co-Chairs of the Watershed Erosion Task Force, then proceeded by accepting such from the Members.

Council Member Farmer nominated Member Holthouse for Chair.

Member Holthouse provided a brief presentation outlining her background and highlighting the items she would like to address, if she were to be elected as Chair.

Discussion was held on the following: whether or not to continue the Co-Chair approach, with one (1) citizen volunteer as Co-Chair and one (1) City Council Member as Co-Chair; and the consideration if Co-Chairs were nominated, concern regarding having two (2) Co-Chairs who reside in the same Council Ward.

Council Member Rambaud nominate Council Member Farmer as Co-Chair.

A voice vote was taken regarding electing Member Holthouse as Co-Chair, with no objection, the nomination was declared approved.

A voice vote was taken regarding electing Council Member Farmer as Co-Chair, with one (1) nay vote (Holthouse), and one (1) abstention (Farmer), the nomination was declared approved.

### **III. Welcome and Opening Remarks by Co-Chairs**

Co-Chairs Farmer and Holthouse welcomed everyone in attendance at tonight's meeting.

Consensus was reached among Task Force Members to re-order tonight's agenda, so the representative from USGS could provide the presentation regarding that matter at the beginning of the meeting.

### **IV. Approval of Minutes from the April 28, 2021 Meeting**

A motion was made by Member Farmer, seconded by Member Bramman, to approve the minutes from the April 28, 2021 Task Force meeting. A voice vote was taken, with no opposition, and one (1) abstention (Edens), and the minutes were declared approved.

### **V. Public Comment**

None

### **VI. Scope Services and Contractual Matters with Consultants**

Paul Rydlund, United States Geological Survey (USGS), provided a detailed presentation on the draft Scope of Services for the evaluation of existing and future hydrology, compensatory storage, and resulting erosion along Caulks Creek within Wildwood. He outlined the proposed approach, including data collection, hydrology and modeling, hydraulic assessment and modeling, bank stability and toe erosion analysis, and planned reporting. Mr. Rydlund concluded his presentation with the proposed timeline and cost components.

Discussion was held regarding the following: the timing of initiating the proposal; the timing of the expenditure of City funding, as part of this effort; and the request for Task Force Members to provide questions via email to the Department, which are to be forwarded to Mr. Rydlund for his consideration in preparing the final Scope of Services document.

### **VII. Presentation of Public Education Outreach Efforts and Products**

- a. Critical Locations Priority Matrix
- b. Follow-Up with Residents and Others Regarding Previous Input on Problem Areas in Watersheds
- c. Other Items for Consideration and Discussion

Co-Chair Holthouse, Leader of the Public Education Subcommittee, provided an overview of the Critical Locations Priority Matrix documents and offered explanations for each of the categories and associated criteria for their scoring.

Director Vujnich provided an overview of the previous effort of the Task Force to collect reports of problem areas within Wildwood from residents. He noted the Task Force received over eighty (80) reports from residents. Director Vujnich stated the importance of re-engaging with these residents who provided reports to better understand the problem areas, as well as ensure their input is valued, and progress is being made regarding such. He stated the Department is seeking input on its recommendation to engage Dr. Hammer to complete these follow-up contacts with the residents.

Discussion was then held regarding the consideration of having Dr. Hammer score each of the problem areas identified by residents, using the Critical Locations Priority Matrix that was presented by Co-Chair Holthouse.

A motion by Member Farmer, seconded by Member Bartelsmeyer, to proceed forward with the matrix, with the understanding input on it is still being accepted and considered. A voice vote was taken, with no opposition, and the motion was declared approved.

A motion by Member Edens, seconded by Member Sturman, to engage Dr. Hammer to rank the seventeen (17) identified priority locations using the adopted Critical Locations Priority Matrix. A voice vote was taken, with no opposition, and the motion was declared approved.

## **VII. Initial Design Considerations from Wilson Hydro for Identified Critical Locations**

Director Vujnich introduced the Task Force's consultants, Joe Wilson and Todd Wagner, to present the conceptual evaluation and cost estimates for stormwater projects in Wildwood.

Mr. Wilson, along with Mr. Wagner, provided an overview of the conceptual evaluation and cost estimates for stormwater projects in Wildwood. They presented the first few of the projects that were studied, including the triple meander bend and detention repair at the Elegant Child Learning Center.

Discussion was then held regarding a requested clarification regarding the conceptual channel revetment section drawings provided in the consultants' report.

Co-Chair Farmer noted the meeting has extended past its planned 8:00 p.m. ending time. He thanked Mr. Wilson and Mr. Wagner for their presentation and noted it could be completed at the next meeting of the Task Force.

## **VIII. Subcommittees**

- a. Public Education
- b. Stormwater Master Plan

No discussion was held regarding these items, given the meeting went past its established 8:00 p.m. stop time.

**VIII. Other Matters for Consideration**

None

**IX. Next Meeting Date – Wednesday, June 23, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.**

The date for the next meeting of the Task Force was agreed to be set for Wednesday, June 23, 2021.

**XI. Closing Remarks and Adjournment**

A motion was made by Member Bramman, seconded by Member Berger, to adjourn the meeting. Hearing no objections among the membership, the meeting was declared adjourned by Co-Chairs Farmer and Holthouse at 8:12 p.m.