

Service Committee Minutes

Honorable Council
City of Newark, Ohio
November 8, 2022

The Service Committee met in Council Chambers on November 7, 2022, following the Finance Committee with these members in attendance:

Jeff Rath - Chair
Jeff Harris – Vice Chair
Spencer Barker
Beth Bline
Ms. Hottinger

We wish to report:

1. **Resolution No. 22-106** Bridge Inspection Program Services, including, but not limited to routine inspections, element level inspections, critical findings report, fracture critical member inspections, load rating calculations and reports, weight limits posting sign recommendations, scour assessments, scour plan of actions, development of fracture critical plans, and underwater dive inspection reports if needed.

Brian Morehead, City Engineer - This is legislation that comes from ODOT to allow the City of Newark to participate in the statewide inspection program that they offer. Basically, ODOT funds the inspection program services and this legislation would allow us to opt in to that. We've done this for the last two rounds ODOT has offered it and it's been quite a benefit to the City. If we don't do that then we will have to pay for these services on our own and it would be quite substantial because we've got about 59 bridges in the City that we would be responsible for inspection services on. ODOT is asking that this be passed at the November 21st meeting, which would be the next council meeting as an emergency so that they can get us into their program for the year 2023.

Mr. Rath - What is the cost of us being involved in this program?

Mr. Morehead - We don't actually see the cost because ODOT is paying the bill for it. I can tell you that the last time we paid for inspection services, I think we were at about \$2,500 a bridge and that was several years ago, so the value of this would probably be around \$150,000. Something like that.

Mr. Barker - The legislation states the LPA would pay 100% of the cost of those feature not included in exhibit A. Can you send us what is in exhibit A?

Mr. Morehead - It's ODOT scope of service for all of the items that were read at the beginning.

Motion to send to full council by Mr. Harris, second by Ms. Bline, motion passed 5-0

Meeting stands adjourned

Jeff Rath -Chair