

Service Committee Minutes

Honorable Council
City of Newark, Ohio
July 1, 2024

The Service Committee met in Council Chambers on July 1, 2024, following the Finance Committee with these members in attendance:

Jeff Rath - Chair
Dustin Neely – Vice Chair
Bill Cost Jr.
Beth Bline
Bradley Chute

We wish to report:

1. **Resolution No. 24-62** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT, SUBJECT TO THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS, FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE WASTEWATER PLANT AND COLLECTION SYSTEM MASTER PLANNING PROJECT. PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 10.02 (D) OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, THIS CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES DOES NOT REQUIRE COMPETITIVE BIDDING.

Brandon Fox, Water Administrator – Good evening. As I said a minute ago, this is for a wastewater master plan effort to evaluate our current infrastructure at the plant. It has not been done since 2002 in a comprehensive manner like this. We did this on the water system last year and came out of that with some good recommendations on the capital plan. We did do a request for qualifications and had 3 proposals. We evaluated those as a team and came up with our winning consultant. We're looking for about \$350,000 to complete this work over the next 6-9 months. The hope is that it will lay the groundwork for the next 5-20 years at the wastewater plant. Additionally, we're going through a permit renewal in June of next year, so we'll start that at the end of this year. We have to start that 180 days before next June. So, as part of that renewal Arcadis can help us with some of those negotiations if we get into them with EPA.

Mr. Rath – That permit renewal is issued by the EPA?

Mr. Fox – Yes, sorry. MPDS permit. We have to have that permit. It gets renewed every 5 years. It tells us what we can and can't discharge into the river. As our part of that effort there's always a little back and forth with the EPA. Mandates like the long-term control plan, Second St. project. They can help us negotiate through those details and work out those things that make them up.

Motion to send to full Council by Mr. Neely, Second by Ms. Bline, Motion passed 5-0.

2. **Ordinance No. 24-24** AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY, GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS 203 NORTH GAY STREET, CITY OF NEWARK, LICKING COUNTY, OHIO, PARCEL TAX ID #054-193776-00.000 FROM THAT OF SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE - RH - HIGH DENSITY DISTRICT TO TFR - TWO-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT, ZONING CODE OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO

Brian Morehead, Chief Engineer – Thank you. This request came in from the property owner to be able to use the property in the manner of a two-family residence district. I ask that you forward this to the Planning Commission so that we may go through the public hearing process.

Motion to send to Planning Commission by Ms. Bline, Second by Mr. Neely, Motion passed 5-0

Meeting stands adjourned

Jeff Rath -Chair