

**Cuyahoga Falls City Council**  
**Minutes of the Public & Industrial Improvements Committee**

**May 16, 2022**

**That Members:** Meika Penta, Chair  
Frank Stams  
Adam Miller

Mrs. Penta called the meeting to order at 6:53 p.m. All members were present.

The minutes of May 2, 2022, Public Improvements Committee were approved as written.

**Legislation Discussed:**

Temp. Ord. A-54

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**Discussion:**

**Temp. Ord. A-54**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the replacement of the roof on Fire Station 5, located at 3497 Wyoga Lake Road, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Tony Demasi, City Engineer, presented Temporary Ordinance A-54 to Council. The Director of Public Service will be authorized to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the replacement of the roof at Fire Station 5, located at 3497 Wyoga Lake Road. The Director of Finance will be authorized and directed to make payment for same from the Capital Projects Fund, Line Item Capital Outlay.

Mr. Demasi stated that the roofs at Fire Station 5 have been leaking and they need replaced. They are two different types of roofs at that facility; a flat roof over the apparatus bay and there are pitched roofs that are asphalt shingles over the rest of the building. The flat section will be replaced in kind, but improved to provide longer life. The pitched roof will be replaced with a standing seam metal roof. Both roofs will come with a 30-year non-prorated warranty, but the metal roof should last 100 years. Bids for these projects were opened on April 27th. They received five total bids, and the contract for the metal portion will be Building Technicians Corporation, out of Madison, Ohio, and the flat roof will be by Tech Corp Roofing out of Canton, Ohio. With Council's approval, work would begin this summer. The flat roof should take about 60 days to complete, and the metal roof should take about 120 days to complete.

Mrs. Penta asked if this would be the first roof replacement on Fire Station 5. Mr. Demasi stated that that is correct. It was built in 2005 and finished in 2006.

Mr. Balthis asked if there will be any times when Fire Station 5 will be put out of service, or will the station be able to operate continuously through construction. Mr. Demasi stated that similar to

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the way the roofs were done at City Hall, where there was a combination of metal and flat, they will be able to stay in business, and they will certainly keep the fire station in operation during this time.

Mr. Gorbach stated that the current roof is not yet 20 years old and asked what the current warranty on the roof is now. Mr. Demasi stated that it is a 20-year prorated warranty, so there would not have been much payback for it. Mr. Gorbach stated that he cannot believe it is leaking in both the flat and pitched areas. Mr. Demasi stated that it is mostly leaking on the flat roof. They hired a company to take thermo imagery of the whole roof and found out the pitched roof is bad as well. Mr. Gorbach asked if the warranty on the new roof is 30-year non-prorated for the metal and the same for the flat. Mr. Demasi stated that that is correct.

Mr. Balthis asked if there has been any assessment on the performance of the metal roof on City Hall. Mr. Demasi stated that they have received a lot of compliments. In fact, City Hall received a publication in an industry publication for roofs, and he can share that with everybody. They are happy with it, and it should be the last roof that that building needs.

Mr. Balthis asked if solar panels could be added to these roofs. Mr. Demasi stated that he could not specifically answer that, but he has seen solar panels on flat, metal and asphalt shingle roofs, so he does not think they are hindering themselves by putting metal on the roof. They are certainly capable of supporting that technology.

Mr. Stams asked who will do the work. Mr. Demasi stated the Hemminger Construction Company.

Mr. Stams moved to bring out Temp. Ord. A-54 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Miller. Motion passed (3-0).

**Temp. Ord. A-55**

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the construction of Paddle Park and the expansion of the existing corner plaza located at 2170 Front Street, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Tony Demasi, City Engineer, presented Temporary Ordinance A-55 to Council. The Director of Public Service will be authorized to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the construction of Paddle Park and the expansion of the existing corner plaza located at 2170 Front Street, and to increase appropriations. The Director of Finance will be authorized to increase appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund, Line Item Capital Outlay, by \$318,000.00 and to make payment for same.

Mr. Demasi stated that the existing grassy area at the southwest corner of Portage Trail and Front Street next to Metropolitan Popcorn has been vacant for many years. The City owned the parcel of less than 4,000 square feet. It contains mostly open space, a Metro bus shelter, a walkway, a brick seat wall and some lawn and trees. The Administration saw this area as an opportunity to be

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enhanced by creating a river-themed pocket park. The design utilizes canoes, kayaks, paint, river rock boulders and plantings to simulate paddling through the river. There will be new landscaping, benches, tables and lighting, as well as a small stage for programming by Parks and Recreation. The project plans began in late 2021. The project was bid on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Three bids were received, and the low bid was from RJ Platten Contracting Company out of North Royalton. With Council's approval, work would begin this summer and be completed in 90 days.

Mrs. Penta stated that she serves on the Design Historical Review Board with Mr. Brillhart and has seen the renderings. She can make those available if anyone would like to see them to refresh their memory. She stated that she loves the idea and is extremely excited to have another outlet for people to congregate, and the art that is going to be around it is exciting.

Ms. Nichols-Rhodes stated that NOPEC money was going to be used to fund tables with umbrella tops and asked if those will be located in that park. Ms. Sarah Kline, Parks and Recreation Superintendent, stated that the intent is that they will all be located downtown. They will have some at the splash pad on the plaza. She is not sure where they all will be placed, but they hope to have one or maybe two in Paddle Park. Their original concept was at the splash pad because there is no shade there.

Mr. Miller moved to bring out Temp. Ord. A-55 with a favorable recommendation, second by Mr. Stams. Motion passed (3-0).

The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.