## MEETING MINUTES PUBLIC WORKS COUNCIL COMMITTEE West Des Moines City Hall Training Room May 13, 2015

## **Attending:**

Council Member – Rick Messerschmidt Council Member – Kevin Trevillyan City Manager – Tom Hadden Finance Director – Tim Stiles Assistant City Attorney – Jason Wittgraf City Engineer – Duane Wittstock Public Works Director – Bret Hodne Public Works Deputy Director – Joe Cory Principal Engineer – Jason Schlickbernd Principal Engineer – Ben McAlister Development Services Planner – Linda Schemmel Traffic Engineer – Jim Dickinson Bob Veenstra – Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. Communication Specialist – Lucinda Stephenson

Meeting called to order at 1:00 PM.

## 1. Barnes Heights Sanitary Sewer Fee District

## Issue Summary:

Bob Veenstra from Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. reported on the history of the project to date. The first feasibility study to analyze gravity sewer alternatives was conducted from June through the fall of 2012. The first meeting with property owners was held on November 15, 2012. Those in attendance primarily consisted of residents from the 63<sup>rd</sup> Street corridor; there was not much attendance from residents along Ashworth Road. Throughout the process, participation from property owners along the 63<sup>rd</sup> Street corridor has been greater than those along Ashworth Road. The first citizen survey was sent out by staff in December 2012 with the results indicating not much interest from residents. The project was put on hold at that point. Property owner's main concerns included a combination of cost and property disruption. In the summer of 2014 as a result of the Pemberley Heights development there was renewed interest in the project. A second meeting with property owners was held in August 2014 to discuss the overall interest of the fee district and additional alternatives. The consensus was to move forward with reviewing additional alternatives that included a gravity sewer to the south, a low pressure alternative and a mixed alternative with a combination of a gravity sewer and a low pressure sewer. This study was completed in November 2014. A third meeting with property owners was held in December 2014 and the consensus was there was more interest in the low pressure sewer alternative. A second survey was sent out by staff in December 2014 to determine interest in the various alternatives. The survey results indicated that respondents preferred the low pressure sewer option in the City ROW. These results were presented at the January 5, 2015, PWCC meeting. Staff recommendation at that time was to establish a sanitary sewer connection fee district based on a low pressure sanitary sewer system constructed in the street ROW. At the time of hook-up individual property owners would be required to install on-site improvements since they would not be included in the project's scope.

Mr. Veenstra explained the role of the Dallas County Environmental Health department in the process for determining when a property owner can perform maintenance or replace an onsite private sewage treatment system. Dallas County Environmental Health follows the requirements of Chapter 69 of the Iowa Administrative Code and defers to the City of West Des Moines relative to the distance requirements for connection to the sanitary sewer system. The City's requirement is more restrictive than the Iowa Administrative Code requirements, therefore, connection would be required if sanitary

sewer is located within 400 feet of the property line. A copy of the letter received by Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. from Dallas County Environmental Health was distributed to council members (Item 1). There was discussion regarding potential issues for property owners, such as requirements from mortgage lenders to replace an onsite treatment system before sale of a property, if the decision is made to put the project on hold again. Mr. Veenstra explained how installation of the system is conducted in response to Council Member Messerschmidt's question about system install. Mr. Veenstra and staff responded to questions from the council members regarding cost and ongoing expenses for the various alternatives and displayed a table showing the different costs (Item 1.1).

A public hearing on the establishment of the connection fee district was held at the May 4, 2015, Council meeting. There were several questions posed by property owners at the public hearing and there are still a significant number of residents in favor of not moving forward with establishing a connection fee district. A discussion was held on the concerns that have been raised regarding the abutting developers requirements to provide sewer availability to Barnes Heights and issues with the City providing financial incentives and financing alternatives. Tim Stiles, Finance Director, noted several concerns for the City if Council considers offering a long-term installment payment plan for property owners in Barnes Heights.

**Direction:** The PWCC's recommendation is to continue with the establishment of the connection fee district and for staff to send property owners the answers to questions that were addressed at the May 4, 2015, Council meeting. The Committee did not recommend any changes to the fee district proposal or financing arrangements.

## 2. Update on Dixie Acres Fee District

## Issue Summary:

Jason Schlickbernd, Principal Engineer, reported that a public meeting for the Dixie Acres Fee District was conducted on February 26, 2015. Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. completed a draft engineering report on April 24, 2015, and a second public meeting with property owners was held on May 5, 2015, with the following alternatives with costs presented and discussed:

- Alternative 1 Gravity sewer along 54<sup>th</sup> Street flowing to the south
- Alternative 2 Gravity sewer in backyards flowing to the south
- Alternative 3 Low pressure sewer along 54<sup>th</sup> Street discharging to the north
- Alternative 4 Low pressure sewer in backyards discharging to the north
- Alternative 5 Combination of gravity sewer and low pressure sewer along 54<sup>th</sup> Street flowing to the south

Mr. Schlickbernd presented a table illustrating the costs for each alternative (Item 2). The property owners met without staff on May 11, 2015, and the consensus from the group was that seven of the eight were in favor of Alternative 1. Staff recommends to proceed with the establishment of the Dixie Acres connection fee district for Alternative 1.

**Direction:** The PWCC concurs with staff recommendation.

## 3. Polk Countywide FEMA Mapping Project

## Issue Summary:

Mr. Schlickbernd reported that FEMA has a contractor updating all the FEMA maps for Polk County. Maps were sent out by FEMA on April 22<sup>nd</sup> which staff has reviewed and commented on. A packet

was provided to council members with the staff comments (Item 3). Mr. Schlickbernd asked the council members to review the packet and provide staff with any additional comments so that staff can respond by May 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Direction:** Information only.

## 4. Review of Mid-American Energy Surface Restoration Product

## Issue Summary:

Joe Cory, Public Works Deputy Director, reported that last July and August, Mid-American Energy had requested to test an alternative product to sod. The alternative product is Futerra Environet (Item 4). The areas where this product was used last summer indicate positive results. Mr. Cory discussed the results of the product with some residents in the test areas. Those residents indicated they liked the product and it appeared to work better than traditional sodding. Discussion included the best way to implement the use of the product with several CIP projects already in process that have sodding in the contract, as well as residents who may still prefer sod. Staff recommends allowing this product to be used for utility projects but to continue the use of sod for CIP projects. Staff also recommends that if residents request sod for utility projects, the utility company comply with that request.

**Direction:** The PWCC concurs with staff recommendation.

## 5. Cody Drive - No Parking

## Issue Summary:

Jim Dickinson, Traffic Engineer, reported that there is one resident along Cody Drive, west of Jordan Creek Parkway, that has requested parking be allowed on one side of the street. Currently Cody Drive is designated as a minor collector street with no parking on either side. In addition, there are mailboxes on both sides of Cody Drive. Mr. Dickinson is seeking direction from the PWCC on how to respond to the resident's request.

**<u>Direction:</u>** The PWCC recommends staff notify the resident that more interest from other residents along Cody Drive to allow parking on one side of the street would be needed before a change is considered.

## 6. Review of Public Works Items for Council Meeting (May 18, 2015)

- A. Approval of Proclamation National Public Works Week
- B. Approval of Traffic Code Amendments (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)
  - i. Special Stops Recommended Due to Visibility Issues
    - a. 63<sup>rd</sup> Street & Orchard Drive
    - b. 65<sup>th</sup> Street & Orchard Drive
  - ii. No Parking Zones 13th Street Locust Street to Walnut Street West Side

## C. Approval of Professional Services Agreements

- i. <u>Law Enforcement Center Roof Replacement</u> Linda Schemmel, City Planner, distributed two reports for the Law Enforcement Center roof. One report was done by the commissioning agent and the other report was done by the architect that has been working on some other City projects. With these evaluations, staff was seeking answers to some concerns with the roof:
  - 1) Replacing the flat roof sections of the building and how it connected with the rest of the building.

- 2) How long the current sloped metal roof structure would last with evidence of aging and anticipated maintenance issues.
- 3) Determine the cause of the leaking in the metal roof area.

Several maintenance issues were identified for the metal roof, but if maintenance is conducted the roof could last approximately 15-20 years. The leakage issue was narrowed down to the edge of the roof and how the flashing was originally installed. Staff recommends proceeding with a low roof replacement and continue to look at the best plan of action to address the maintenance issues and roof leaks. Council Member Messerschmidt requested that staff outline the maintenance history of the roof on the documentation that is submitted to Council.

- ii. Law Enforcement Center Garage
- iii. Public Services Facility Master Plan Study and Grading Plan
- D. Order Construction Alluvion Yellow Fiber Route
- E. Accepting Public Improvements Maple Grove West 4 and 5
- F. Approval of Change Order #8 Library and Law Enforcement Center HVAC Improvements
  Ms. Schemmel reported that the Library chiller replacement needs a larger enclosure than initially anticipated, which will encroach into existing parking spaces. Staff proposes to re-work the parking spaces to be parallel instead of front end parking to accommodate the larger enclosure. The cost for this change and the additional length of the enclosure fence is approximately \$26,000 and will require a budget amendment. In addition, due to the time needed for ordering material and fabrication delays, the contractor won't be able to start the work until June 8<sup>th</sup> so staff is recommending a change to the contract date from the end of May to Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup>.
- G. 139 6<sup>th</sup> Street Renovation (Human Services Building)

Ms. Schemmel reported that the contractor has requested early release of partial retainage on the project. With the exception of touch-up painting on the windows, construction is complete. Once the painting is completed, inspections will be conducted. Staff has received all the paperwork for the project, with the exception of the maintenance bond. The contractor is requesting 95% of retainage be paid. Staff recommends approval of the early release of the partial retainage.

<u>Direction:</u> The PWCC concurs with staff recommendations on the Council agenda items.

## 7. Staff Updates

A. 2015 Annual Spring Clean-Up Event – Bret Hodne, Public Works Director, reported that City staff and the Metro Waste Authority have taken significant action in educating residents on the new guidelines for the 2015 Annual Spring Clean-Up Event by providing information in a variety of media and sources. During the event, code enforcement will be patrolling the areas to ensure adherence to the guidelines. The hauler will also stake a notice next to items that aren't collected to inform residents on how to properly dispose of the items (Item 7). Council Member Messerschmidt requested that staff report back to the PWCC on the number of notices that are served.

**Direction:** Information only.

Meeting adjourned at 2:55 PM. The next Public Works City Council Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for May 26, 2015.

Copies of handouts are available at Public Works upon request. A recording was made. Respectfully submitted by Kim Pinegar, Secretary.



## PUBLIC WORKS COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, May 13, 2015 - 1:00 PM

Location: West Des Moines City Hall – Training Room 4200 Mills Civic Parkway

- 1. Barnes Heights Sanitary Sewer Fee District
- 2. Update on Dixie Acres Fee District
- 3. Polk Countywide FEMA Mapping Project
- 4. Review of Mid-American Energy Surface Restoration Product
- 5. Cody Drive No Parking
- 6. Review of Public Works Items for Council Meeting (May 18, 2015)
- Staff Updates
   A. 2015 Annual Spring Clean-Up Event
- 8. Other Matters

This agenda is created for planning purposes and is subject to change.

Any discussion, feedback or recommendation by Sub-committee member(s) should not be construed or understood to be an action or decision by or for the West Des Moines City Council.

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# **Thank you!**

# PUBLIC WORKS COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING GUEST ATTENDANCE

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WEST DES MOINES, IOWA
BARNES HEIGHTS CONNECTION FEE DISTRICT
DALLAS COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

On May 13, 2015 the writer spoke with Ted Trewin the Director of Dallas County Environmental Health concerning the procedures and requirement used by Dallas County Environmental Health in determining whether a property owner can perform maintenance or replace an onsite private sewage treatment system. Ted Trewin indicates Dallas County Environmental Health follows the requirements of Chapter 69 of the lowa Administrative Code and defers to the City of West Des Moines relative to the distance requirements for connection to the sanitary sewer system.

Property owners with an onsite treatment system are allowed to perform routine maintenance on their onsite treatment systems. Property owners that need to replace or perform major maintenance on the septic tank, distribution box and lateral field would be subject to the Chapter 69 requirements for connection to the sanitary sewer system if they fall within the required distance.

Chapter 69 of the Iowa Administrative Code indicates public sewer is available if it is located within 200 feet of the building. Section 7-8A-3 of the City of West Des Moines Code of Ordinances provides a connection is required if public sewer is located within 400 feet of the property line of the subject property. Ted Trewin indicated the policy of his office would be to defer to the City requirements, unless that requirement is less than the lowa Administrative Code requirement. In this instance, the West Des Moines requirement is more restrictive than the lowa Administrative Code requirement and Dallas County Environmental Health would require a connection if sewer is located within 400 feet of the property line.

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The lowa Administrative Code provides the administrator is the final authority whether a connection to the sanitary sewer system is required. There has long been recognition in some instances there are topographic or other factors that would override the requirement for sewer, even if the sewer is located within 200 feet of a particular property. The West Des Moines Code section does not specifically include this administrative discretion.

In the case of Barnes Heights the administrative discretion probably is not likely to be an issue as the types of constraints that would normally be considered in waiving the requirement for sanitary sewer connection would not be present.

In summary, based on the conversation with Ted Trewin it appears Dallas County Environmental Health would not permit major maintenance or replacement of an onsite treatment system in Barnes Heights is sewer is available within 400 feet of the property line. This requirement would apply based on the location of the sewer system at the time of each application.

If you have any questions or comments concerning the project, please contact us at 225-8000.

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fee applying to the gravity sewer area and a separate fee being applied to the low pressure sewer area. The City used the split fee concept in the Thornwood area. Use of the Thornwood area concept would vary slightly if it is applied to Alternative 4A because the Thornwood area included the grinder pump while Alternative 4A does not include a grinder pump.

The following tabulation shows the summary of connection fees for the five basic alternatives and the two alternatives without grinder pumps. In the tabulation Alternative 4A is shown as a single connection fee and as a split connection fee.

Alternative	Project Cost	Number of	Cost per
1 – Original Rear Yard Alignment	Project Cost	<u>Properties</u>	Property
	\$445,180	18	<b>\$24,732</b>
2 – Original Front Yard Alignment	\$486,430	18	\$27 <b>,</b> 024
3 – Gravity Sewer 63 <sup>rd</sup> Outlet	\$420,680	18	\$23,3 <i>7</i> 1
4 – Gravity Sewer on 63 <sup>rd</sup> Street	\$396,988	18	\$22,055
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4A – Gravity Sewer on 63 <sup>rd</sup> Street	\$269,660	18	\$14,981
Low Pressure on Ashworth	•		,
Road with no Grinder Pumps			
(single fee)			
4A – Gravity Sewer on 63 <sup>rd</sup> Street	\$219,850	10	\$21,985
Low Pressure on Ashworth	,		42.,303
Road with no Grinder Pumps			
(gravity sewer area)			
4A – Gravity Sewer on 63rd Street	\$49,810	8	\$6,226
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Road with no Grinder Pumps			
(low pressure sewer area)			*
5 – Low Pressure Sewer	\$430,793	18	\$23,933
5A – Low Pressure Sewer with no	\$133,12 <i>7</i>	18	•
Grinder Pumps		10	\$ <i>7,</i> 396

If the City were to construct a gravity sewer system in the Barnes Heights area the least costly alternative is Alternative 3 with an estimated cost of \$23,371 per property owner.

If the City were to consider the low pressure sewer alternative and include grinder pumps as part of the low pressure sewer alternative the least costly alternative appears to be Alternative 4 with gravity sewer on 63<sup>rd</sup> Street and the low pressure sewer along Ashworth Road.

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For Alternative 3 and Alternative 5 the properties with a low pressure sewer and grinder pump would incur the cost for a grinder pump and approximately 130 feet of service, or a cost of approximately \$15,100. For Alternative 4 with the rear yard location of the low pressure sewer the average service length would be 80 feet. The combined cost for the grinder pump and service line would be \$14,100.

The following table shows an approximate comparison of the overall cost of the alternatives, including both the public improvements and the estimated cost for the private onsite improvements.

Public Improvement	Onsite		
Cost per Property	<b>Improvement</b>	Total	
\$27,509	\$6,000	\$33,509	
\$34,162	\$3,200	\$37,362	
\$8,975	\$15,100	\$24,075	
\$10,005	\$14,100	\$24,105	
\$18 <i>,</i> 478	\$6,000	\$24,478	
<b>\$18,478</b>	\$15,100	\$33,578	
	\$27,509 \$34,162 \$8,975 \$10,005 \$18,478	Cost per Property       Improvement         \$27,509       \$6,000         \$34,162       \$3,200         \$8,975       \$15,100         \$10,005       \$14,100         \$18,478       \$6,000	

The general practice of the City providing sewer service to existing unsewered neighborhoods is to establish a connection fee district to fund the public improvements. The connection fee is established to spread the estimated cost for the public improvements over the number of properties that could potentially be served by the sewer. For the Dixie Acres area the connection fee would be the cost of the public improvements under each of the alternatives.

The historic methodology of spreading the cost uniformly to all of the properties would be the procedure for Alternative 1, Alternative 2, Alternative 3 and Alternative 4.

The City has not previously addressed how to allocate the cost for a combination alternative, such as Alternative 5. The illustration set forth above assumes the overall cost for the public improvements would be divided uniformly between the eight lots. This allocation procedure significantly increases the cost to the six lots with low pressure sewer as they experience a much higher cost for the grinder pump and service line compared to the cost for a traditional gravity sewer service that would be available to the two lots adjoining Ashworth Road.

## FLOOD HAZARD REVIEW SUMMARY CITY OF WEST DES MOINES - 190231 MAY 18, 2015

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is conducting a Countywide Flood Hazard Mapping Project for government agencies in Polk County. Since the City of West Des Moines is in Polk County, FEMA has provided flood mapping for areas of West Des Moines in Dallas, Madison, and Warren Counties as well. Preliminary flood maps were issued electronically to the City of West Des Moines for review on April 22, 2015. Comments have been requested by May 18, 2015. Preliminary flood maps are tentatively scheduled to be made available to the public in June 2015.

## ATTACHMENTS - PRELIMINARY FLOOD MAPS DATED MAY 11, 2015.

The following comments will be provided to FEMA:

## All Maps

- 'Notes To Users' mentions that 2013 photography was used to create base map. However, aerial
  photography does not appear to be taken in 2013.
- Determine whether 500-year flood information should be included for Zone A mapping. Typically only shown with Zone AE.

## Panel 0280 (Map No. 19153C0280F)

- Update jurisdiction boundary and include appropriate flood mapping.
- Review accuracy of inclusion of two ponds on Des Moines Golf and Country Club property near NW 141<sup>st</sup> Street and University Avenue (City of Clive).
- Approximate 9-foot hydraulic drop downstream of EP True Parkway structure along Jordan Creek may need additional review – varies significantly from 2006 FIS. Flood area in between 81<sup>st</sup> Street and EP True Parkway appears to be larger because of this.

## Panel 0285 (Map No. 19153C0285F)

No comments.

## Panel 0290 (Map No. 19153C0290F)

Update jurisdiction boundary and include appropriate flood mapping.

## Panel 0295 (Map No. 19153C0295F)

- Update jurisdiction boundary and include appropriate flood mapping.
- Jurisdiction boundary along Dallas/Polk County line south of Raccoon River is incorrect. Jurisdiction boundary along Polk/Warren County line west of I-35 is incorrect.
- A LOMR has been approved for 6000 Raccoon River Drive and needs to be taken into account.
- Review mapped area west of South 35th Street and south of Hidden Creek for accuracy.
- Review mapped area near cross section 'AJ' south of the Raccoon River floodway and north of Army Post Road. 2006 mapping excluded buildings in this area.

## Panel 0301 (Map No. 19153C0301F)

Review limits of mapped area near 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and University Avenue intersection for accuracy.

## Panel 0302 (Map No. 19153C0302F)

No comments.

## Panel 0303 (Map No. 19153C0303F)

- It is believed that Blue Creek theoretically overtops 22<sup>nd</sup> Street south of I-235. Verify flood mapping in this area.
- It is believed that Blue Creek theoretically overtops 20<sup>th</sup> Street south of I-235. Verify flood mapping in this area.
- Take into account approximately 48 approved LOMCs along Fairmeadows Creek.
- Determine accuracy of flood mapped area in Hy-Vee parking lot north of Railroad Avenue and east of Grand Avenue.
- Determine accuracy of flood mapped area southeast of Railroad Avenue and Grand Avenue intersection in Western Village.
- Determine accuracy of flood mapped area south of Lincoln Street and east of South 16<sup>th</sup> Street.

## Panel 0304 (Map No. 19153C0304F)

- Examine flood limits southwest of railroad north of levee near 8th Street and Office Park Road.
- Zone X from approximately Grand Avenue to the north is substantially different than 2006 flood mapping and may need to be revisited.

## Panel 0315 (Map No. 19153C0315F)

- The City of West Des Moines' South Area Lift Station along the '821' water surface elevation near
  the south edge of the Raccoon River floodway was constructed above the 100-year flood elevation
  (finished floor ~ 824).
- Determine accuracy of flood mapped area east of Grand Avenue near railroad. The newest facility for Chow's Gymnastics within this area was theoretically constructed above the 100-year flood elevation.



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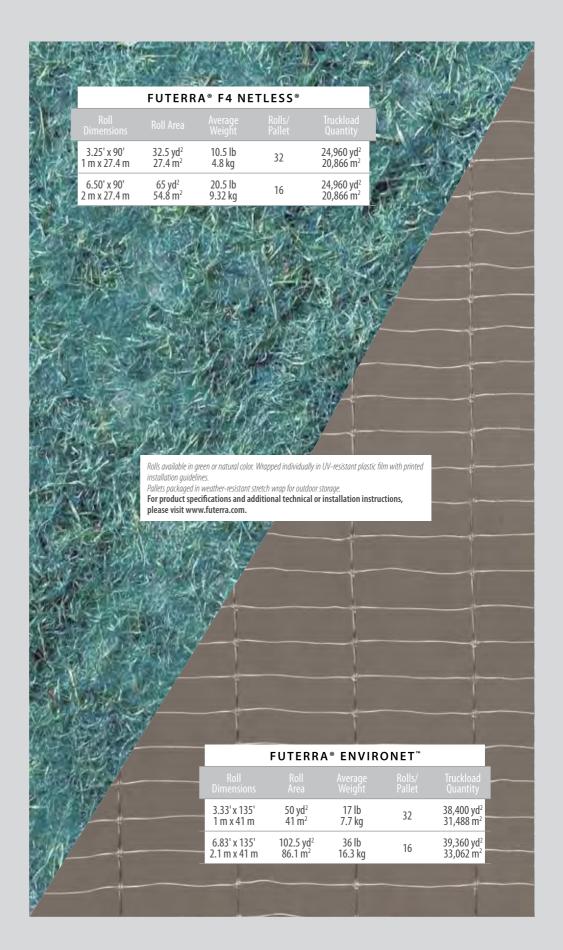
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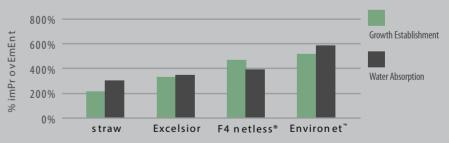
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Single-Net Excelsior Blanket	0.075	92.5%	29.8 lb
Bare Soil Control	1.000	0.0%	397.0 lb

Test Conditions — UWRL Rainfall Simulator, Slope Gradient — 2.5H:1V Soil Type — Sandy Loam; Rainfall Event — 5"/hr; Test Duration — 1 hr; Plot size 4' by 19.5'

## ABSORBS MORE WATER, SPEEDS GERMINATION



Average values of industry leading single-net straw and excelsior blankets as detailed in public AASHTO-NTPEP reports and independent laboratory testing using standard test methods ASTM D1117 and D7322





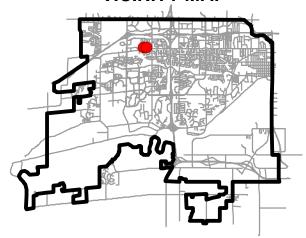


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<sup>\*</sup> Soil loss/acre calculation based upon extrapolation of soil loss to a one acre site disturbance



## **VICINITY MAP**





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PROJECT LOCATION





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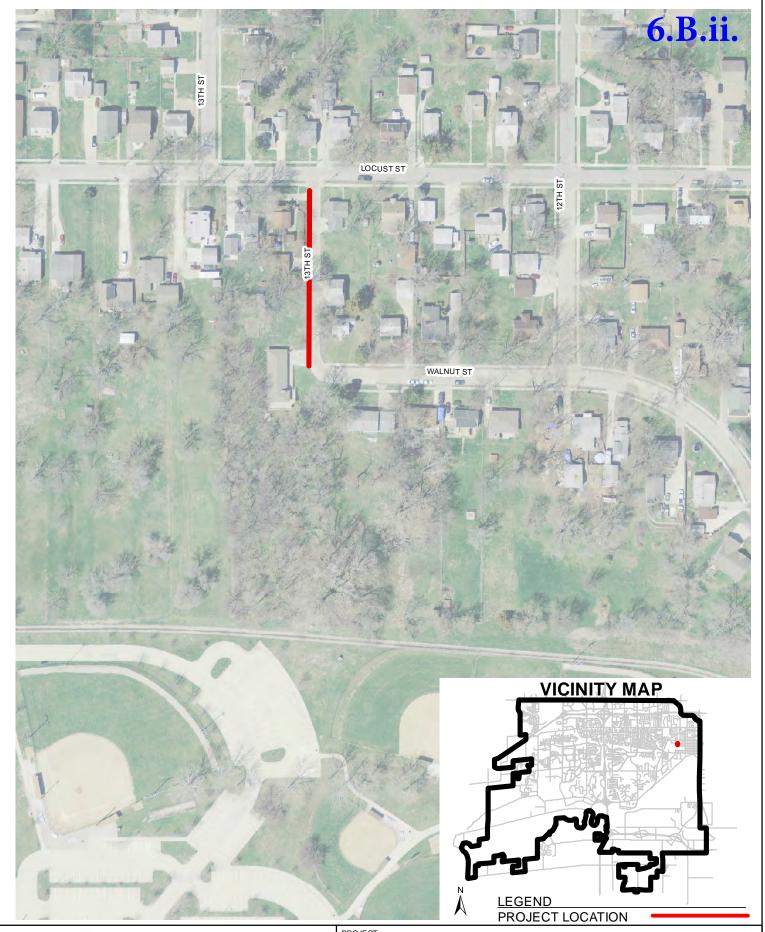
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Approval of Traffic Code Amendment Special Stops Required

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PROJECT: **Traffic Code Amendment No Parking Zones** 

LOCATION: 13th Street - Locust Street to Walnut Street - West Side

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April 23, 2015

Linda Schemmel
City of West Des Moines
4200 Mills Civic Parkway Suite 2D
West Des Moines, IA 50265

Re: Law Enforcement Center Reroofing Study

Dear Linda.

The following is a synopsis of our explorations and recommendations regarding a reroofing project for the Law Enforcement Center.

## **History and Goal**

Our involvement in this project dates back over the past several years. It began in the previous locker room project where, for a period of time we were planning to do some spray foam sealant work in the attic in order to minimize high moisture conditions periodically present in the attic/plenum. Since that time, a mechanical project was undertaken by another designer and we hear informally that conditions have improved since that time. But we also hear that there are times, particularly within about 2 days of a significant rain, when high humidity conditions occur.



We are aware that the low slope EPDM roofs on the project have reached or gone beyond their useful life and are due for replacement in the near term.

We believe the goal with our effort in this abbreviated study was to attempt to determine if there were any correctable issues with the existing standing seam roof or wall which enclose the attic. We believe we were challenged to come up with a big picture plan and budget information to deal with the roofs and upper walls at the Law Enforcement Center.

## Summary of Conclusions

We recommend the low slope EPDM roofs be replaced as soon as an appropriate project can be designed, bid, and installed. There has been some understandable hesitancy to proceed with this replacement project until analysis of the metal roof and walls was done. We have determined conclusively that the low slope roof project can proceed without significant issues involving the metal roof and walls. Suitable details have been resolved to



separate the low slope roof replacement from any potential work on the metal roof and walls.





During this study we worked alongside SystemWorks, which has been working directly with the City to help understand issues that may be occurring with the envelope. As a part building Systemworks' effort, a reputable sheet metal roofing company, Exterior Sheet Metal, spent some time and effort on site, doing some destructive evaluations and giving experienced opinions. Those observations and recommendations from SystemWorks are contained in their separate report. But based upon their observations and report, and our collaboration, it is believed that some leakage of water into the metal roof and wall areas is occurring through gaps in the upper metal roof copings and through joints in base flashings which can be somewhat easily addressed. We believe the existing metal roof and wall issues can be addressed with minor maintenance type work which will allow the metal roof and walls to serve the building effectively for another 15 to 20 years. This maintenance

type work can either be a part of the low slope roof project, or a separate project.

## Methods

The low slope roof project will need to have new and thicker insulation installed as a part of the project. This thicker insulation has the potential to create undesirably tight details where the low slope roof meets vertical components. But through analysis and creative thinking by participants, we believe the low slope roof project can proceed by cutting off the bottom ten to twelve inches of the metal roof panels above the low slope roofs in order to create appropriate layering of materials and flashings.





We believe the existing metal copings on the low slope roof should be removed and replaced during the project with more straight forward roof edge details. We believe mechanical units should be raised and other details adjusted as are typically done in these types of replacements.

We recommend the existing lightning protection system be removed and reinstalled with better detailing which will be more compatible with the new roof.

We recommend the low slope roof be replaced with an adhered PVC roof at concrete substrates and a mechanically fastened PVC roof at steel substrates. This will replace the existing ballasted EPDM roof. We believe PVC is a better material than EPDM and the workmanship we have experienced with PVC installations is better than EPDM.



We believe the gaps in the metal roof coping should be addressed by application of newer rubber butyl sealants and/or suitable joint covers which were not applied on the original project. We recommend the issues with metal roof edge flashings and gutters be addressed in this project or a parallel project.

## **Timing and Costs**

The anticipated construction cost for the low slope roof replacement project on both the Law Enforcement Center Building and the Pistol Range Facility, plus the remediation of the issues with the existing metal roof is \$390,000. Of that total, \$16,500 can be attributed to the maintenance and repair of the metal roof joints and flashing and battens as discussed above.

We believe that the city should budget \$870,000, in today's dollars, for the future replacement of the existing metal roofing and walls. This should be planned for approximately 15 to 20 years in the future. This future project will involve increasing insulation, a different type of wall panel system, and likely new doors and windows at the roof level.

We recommend the City plan to replace the new PVC roof being installed this year in approximately 20 to 25 years. The cost will be approximately the same as its replacement cost today, but obviously escalated to that future cost.



As we previously explained, the scope of this report was intentionally abbreviated in order to reduce its costs. Thank you for the opportunity to work on this project.

Sincerely,

Design Alliance, Inc.

David Harrison, AIA

DesignAllianceInc.com

## **Existing Roof Observation Report**

City of West Des Moines Law Enforcement Center West Des Moines, Iowa

Prepared for:
Linda Schemmel, AIA



SystemWorks LLC

409 Fifth Street, West Des Moines, IA 50265 515.975.0575 (phone); 515.255.1155 (fax)

## Summary of Site Visit

Project: Law Enforcement Center Roof Replacement

Location: West Des Moines, Iowa

Date: 4/14/2015

Prepared By: Jeremy Carroll Pictures taken by: Jeremy Carroll

## Items Noted:

The material installation matched the original construction documents at this location. The Tee-Panel standing seam metal roofing system has a snap-on seam cap with a vinyl weather seal, Figure 1. This snap-on seam cap is located under the Mansard panels. Exterior Sheet Metal (ESM) disassembled one Mansard panel at the EPDM roof line, Figure 2. ESM was unable to remove the snap-on cap without damaging the vinyl weather seal, Figure 3. If the Tee-Panel system needs to be removed to install the new flat roofing system, the snap-on caps and vinyl weather seals will need replaced.

A best practice roofing termination bar installation height requires an 8 inch minimum height from the finished roof deck elevation. To achieve an 8 inch termination bar height, both the Mansard and the vertical wall panels (Figure 4) will need to be field cut. The new roof will terminate directly below the shorten panels. The finished length of both panel systems will be determined by the type of flashings required by the selected roofing manufacturer. SystemWorks recommends reviewing this detail with the selected roofing manufacturer prior to cutting the panels. **Note:** the Tee-Panel's exposed edge may corrode; the corrosion may cause staining at both locations.

The internal gutter system was reviewed with David Harrison and ESM, Figure 6. With the addition of the box-gutter, the internal gutter may be removed. If the internal gutter stays, the new roofing membrane will need to be installed under this system. A new Lead Coated Copper system could be fabricated and installed after the new membrane is installed. To avoid removing the Tee-Panels, the aprons on the existing system would need to be field cut and soldiered over the top of the new Lead Coated Copper system.

The stone coping caps are starting to deteriorate, Figure 7. To avoid damage to the new roofing system, SystemWorks recommends removing or replacing the stone caps.

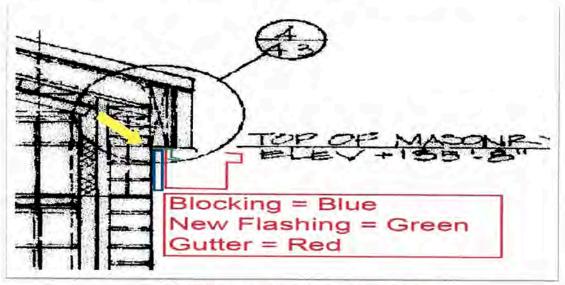
A large two piece flashing system is installed at the ridge of the Tee-Panel system, Figure 8. This ridge flashing is part of the vertical Tee-Panel termination as well. The majority of the field joints are open and not permanently sealed, Figure 9. There are two field joints ever 10 feet. These open joints are likely allowing moisture to migrate under the Tee-Panel system. If the building is operating under a negative pressure, moisture could be pulled into the condition spaces.

The existing lightning protection system is significantly deteriorated, Figure 10, Figure 11, and Figure 12. Areas where the lightning protection system enters the building are not permanently sealed, Figure 10 and Figure 12. David Harrison will review a replacement system that would reduce penetrations. If the existing system remains, SystemWorks recommends moving all penetrations into the flat roof system. These penetrations can likely be incorporated into the roof's 20 year warranty. The sealant joint shown in Figure 10 is likely to fail in 5 to 7 years.



The removal of the existing EPDM system will cause uncontrolled movement around the roof drains, Figure 13. To avoid delayed issues, SystemWorks recommends replacing all the primary and overflow roof drains prior to installing the new roof. There also appears to be existing roof curbs (Figure 15) and penetrations that are abandoned or no longer in service, Figure 14. The owner will assist in identifying items that can be removed during construction.

A large amount of staining is reoccurring along the North elevation. SystemWorks and ESM reviewed the new box style gutter along this elevation. This is not a seamless system. The gutter is manufactured in 10 foot lengths and assembled in the field using rivets, Figure 16. It appears ice buildup has damaged multiple joints. The damaged joint shown in Figure 16 is above the large stained area on the North elevation; however, the damaged gutter joints are not the sole cause of the staining. The box gutter has been installed over a 1 inch sacrificial blocking. A flat piece of flashing was installed over the blocking and down the back of the gutter apron, Detail 1. It appears the Mansard sill flashing joints (Figure 17) are allowing moisture to migrate behind the sacrificial blocking (area shown by yellow arrow in Detail 1).



Detail 1: Box gutter installation detail (not to scale).

## General Maintenance

A few general maintenance items were noticed during our site visit. It appears a urethane based sealant was used for the majority of the exterior control joints. Most urethane sealants that are exposed to the elements will last about 10 years. The control joints around the East elevation windows are separated at multiple locations. The vertical masonry control joint are in similar condition.

To achieve the desired 50 year life expectance of the Tee-Panel system and with the constant expansion and contraction that this system will endure due to seasonal changes, an annual maintenance program for the entire system would greatly reduce unnecessary wear and tear. The snap-on caps are not securely fastened in multiply locations, Figure 19.



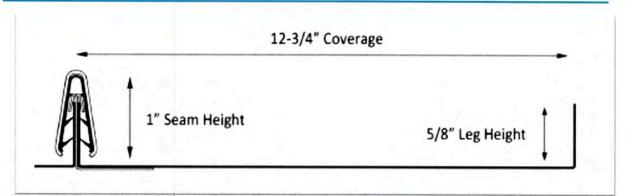


Figure 1: Tee-Panel profile (not to scale).



Figure 2: One Mansard panel was removed to review the sill flashing installation and the EPDM membrane termination.

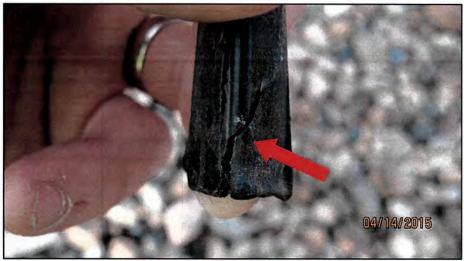


Figure 3: The vinyl weather seal was very brittle and split during the removal of the seam cap (area shown with red arrow).

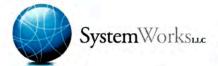




Figure 4: East Elevation, these vertical Tee-Panels will need to be field cut to allow for the installation of the new roofing system.



Figure 5: The Mansard panels sit on the sill flashing shown above my hand; the EPDM membrane terminates behind the treaded lumber.



Figure 6: The internal gutter system that is located at the main entrance of the LEC.



Figure 7: Sally Port Roof, the concrete coping caps are starting to deteriorate.

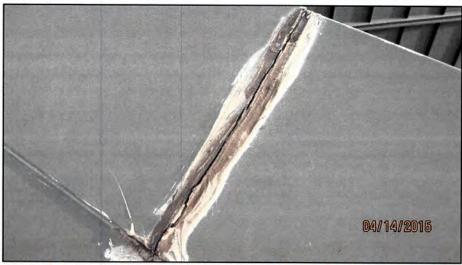


Figure 8: Two-piece ridge cap flashing, the exterior control joint sealant is completely separated.



Figure 9: Additional image of the two-piece ridge cap flashing. The majority of the field joints are not permanently sealed.

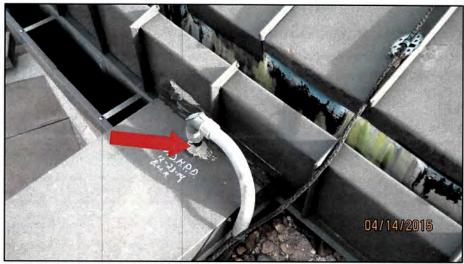


Figure 10: The existing lightning protection system is installed through the center of the coping cap. The sealant at the base of the penetration is starting to fail (area shown with red arrow).

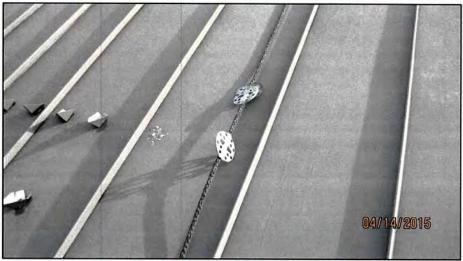


Figure 11: The adhesive base plates are not adhered to the Tee-Panels.



Figure 12: The lightning protection system conduit is not permanently sealed (area shown with red arrow).



Figure 13: Recommend that all roof drain seals, including over flow drains, be replaced.



Figure 14: Some of the mechanical curb heights need to be raised.



Figure 15: East Elevation, vacant mechanical curb. Roof curbs and penetrations should be capped below the new system to reduce roof penetrations.

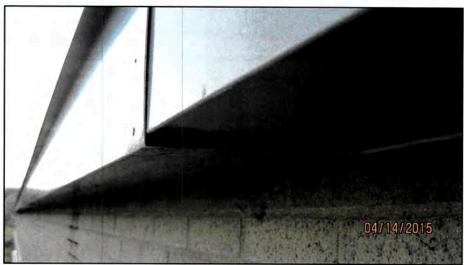


Figure 16: North Elevation, it appears ice buildup has damaged this joint.

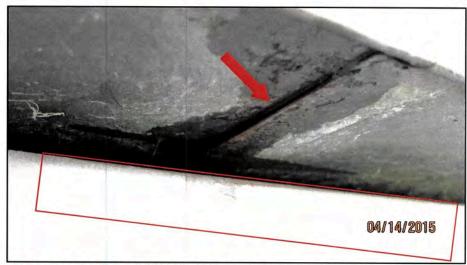


Figure 17: North Elevation, the Mansard sill flashing joints (area shown with red arrow) are allowing moisture to migrate behind the box gutter (area outlined in red).



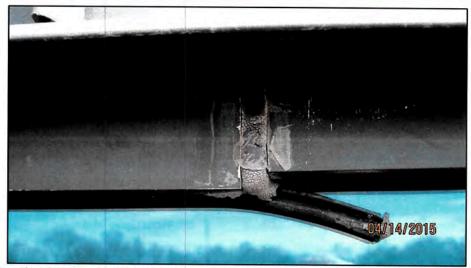


Figure 18: East Elevation, the control joints and gaskets around the exterior windows are separated in multiple locations.

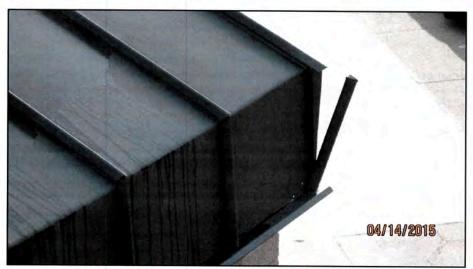


Figure 19: The Tee-Panel seams need repaired in multiply locations.

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	Your item is too large/heavy. Two people are unable to lift it.
	<b>SOLUTION:</b> Call your garbage hauler and make special arrangements for your item to be collected, or self-haul to the landfill.
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