

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

*Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado, February 20, 2003*

Minutes of a Regular meeting of the **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE** of the Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado. Meeting held in the Municipal Building in said Town of Estes Park on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2003.

Committee: Chairman Barker, Trustees Doyle and Habecker  
Attending: All  
Also Attending: Assistant Town Administrator Repola, Public Works Director Linnane, Construction Manager Sievers, Clerk O'Connor  
Absent: None

Chairman Barker called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

### **COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT FUND PROJECTS – REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO SOLICIT PRICES & PROCEED.**

**Heated Sidewalk System (Electric) – Installation.** The Community Reinvestment Fund includes funding for a heated sidewalk system be installed at the northeast entrance to the Municipal Building, from the handicapped parking spaces to the rear door (approx. 50' long, 10' wide). Due to sidewalk's northern exposure and ice melt/freeze, pedestrian accidents have occurred resulting in injuries. Sidewalk heaters were initially installed on this walkway; however, they were damaged during library construction. The budget contains \$25,000 for this project.

**Audible/Visible Pedestrian Countdown Timers.** The Community Reinvestment Fund also contains \$8,000 to purchase the hardware for the installation of said timers with audio alert (chirping) at the Moraine/Ave./Elkhorn Ave. Intersection. CDOT will perform the installation, wiring, timing and traffic control design. Police Chief Richardson noted that in his experience with the chirping devices, there were no noise annoyance complaints expressed by adjacent shop owners. Additionally, the devices could assist in public safety concerns when the Summer Community Service Officers (CSO's) are not on-site. The Police Department intends to have the CSO's monitor these devices informally during the summer season.

**The Committee recommends staff be authorized to solicit prices and proceed with both projects for the budget costs of \$25,000 and \$8,000 respectively.**

### **HIGHWAY 34 GATEWAY SIGN PROJECT – REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO SOLICIT BIDS.**

A second gateway sign is planned on Highway 34, across from Mall Rd., near Olympus Lodge (adjacent and east of existing Town limits—in CDOT right-of-way). Staff has obtained preliminary CDOT approval of the design and location with the project; however, CDOT must issue final approval prior to the Town proceeding with the project. Thorp Associates has agreed to assist with design/materials, and Cornerstone Engineering would serve as general contractor. Staff confirmed that the Rotary logo is not included on this sign. The budget line item for this project is \$30,000.

Discussion followed on this particular location and the potential traffic hazards, alternate sites, urgency, existing traffic speed, and financial value to continue with this project at this time. **The Committee recommends delaying the project at this time, directing staff to provide digital photos of this site and alternate sites, to be presented at a future Public Works Committee meeting.**

### **FISH CREEK TRAIL, PHASE I CONSTRUCTION – REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO SOLICIT BIDS.**

The Public Works Committee approved the design and construction scope of services submitted by Cornerstone Engineering in January, 2003 for this first phase of the Trail from Brodie Ave. to Country Club Dr./CreeksideCrt. The project timetable is to bid the project in March, and this

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timeframe would facilitate construction in April, with completion anticipated in June, weather permitting.

**The Committee recommends staff be authorized to solicit construction bids, returning to the Committee in March for bid approval.**

**REPORTS.**

Estes Park Trail System Map. The Committee reviewed said map and Cost Sheet:

**EXISTING TRAILS**

**LAKE ESTES UNDERPASS, ETC.**

		TOWN FUNDING	OTHER FUNDING	TOTAL
TOWN	\$1,444,000	\$1,444,000	\$1,444,000	\$2,888,000
EVRPD	\$122,000			
CDOT	\$907,000			
GOCO	\$198,000			
LARIMER	\$150,000			
BOR	\$67,003 + Land			

**OTHER TRAILS (Stanley Ave., Riverwalk)**

TOWN		\$1,200,000	---	\$1,200,000
<i>TOTAL EXISTING</i>		<i>\$2,644,000</i>	<i>\$1,444,000</i>	<i>\$4,088,000</i>

**2003/04 PROPOSED TRAILS**

<b>Fish Creek, Brodie to Carriage Dr., Phase I &amp; II</b>				
TOWN		\$ 540,000	---	\$ 540,000
<b>Fall River, Performance Park to Sleepy Hollow Sub., Phases I, II, III</b>				
TOWN		\$ 770,000	---	\$ 770,000
<i>TOTAL PROPOSED 2003/2004</i>		<i>\$1,310,000</i>		

<b>TOTAL TRAILS CONSTRUCTED BY 2004</b>	<b>\$3,954,000</b>	<b>\$1,444,000</b>	<b>\$5,398,000</b>
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Director Linnane confirmed that: (1) the EVRPD maintains the Lake Trail (includes snowplowing); and (2) the Hwy. 36 west detached trail redesign (Beaver Pt. area) has been delayed due to CDOT's budget constraints. Staff anticipates a funding delay of at least 3 yrs.; however, this project is included on the 6-yr. State Transportation Plan for potential funding in 2006.

Riverside Dr. Roadway/Utilities Project. Construction/Facilities Mgr. Sievers gave an overview of the Project and the upcoming Phase II. Pursuant to the sewer main location and deepness of the trenches required for sewer and electric facilities, staff reported that the optimum alternative is to close Riverside Drive for the duration of construction, estimated at 2 months. Discussion followed on opening the roadway on weekends, however, this option would delay the project. **The Committee recommends closing Riverside Dr. throughout the entire construction period, with the intent that this complete closure will facilitate a much shorter construction period, directing staff to improve the construction signage to better facilitate traffic movement.**

Fall River Trail, Phase II - Update. Staff anticipates that the Fall River Village easement currently under negotiation will hopefully be converted into an Outlot for public use to encompass access to the river. Staff will submit the proposed construction cost to the March Public Works Committee meeting for review/approval.

There being no further business, Chairman Barker adjourned the meeting at 8:51 a.m.

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Vickie O'Connor, CMC, Town Clerk