

Special Planning & Development Committee
Tuesday, April 26, 2016 – 630 p.m.
1st Fl. Council Committee Room – City Hall
-Minutes-

Present: Chair, Councilor Lundberg; Vice Chair, Councilor Valerie Gilman, Councilor Sean Nolan (Alternate)

Absent: Councilor Cox

Also Present: Jim Destino; Chip Payson; Mike Hale

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

1. Advertised Public Hearings Continued from April 20, 2016:

- A) PP2016-006: Application by National Grid & Verizon New England to install S.O. Pole at Centennial & Western Avenues re: new Blynman Canal Bridge House
- B) PP2016-007: Application by National Grid & Verizon New England to install underground conduit, and handholes re: Service to new Blynman Canal bridge house

These public hearings are opened at 6:30 p.m.

Those speaking in favor:

Peter Glynn, National Grid (NG) representative, said that National Grid (NG) and Verizon New England explained that after reconsideration it was determined that National Grid and Verizon New England would ask for the SO Pole, stated length of underground conduit and handhole to service the new Bridge Tender House at the Blynman Bridge. **Mike Hale**, DPW Director, indicated by a nod to the Committee chair that he was in agreement with the permits moving forward.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Gilman, seconded by Councilor Nolan, the Planning & Development Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to permit National Grid and Verizon New England to install one (1) S.O. (Single Owner) Pole to be numbered 1311-1 on Centennial Avenue beginning at a point approximately 81 feet northwest of the centerline of the intersection of Western Avenue including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures as shown on Plan #21375104, dated 03/14/16, with the following conditions:

- 1.) Notification to the Department of Public Works 72 hours in advance of the proposed work. A construction schedule will be prepared by the applicant for review and acceptance by the Department of Public Works;
- 2.) Proposed excavation may only occur during accepted road opening and construction season, 15 March – 15 November. No winter construction shall be permitted.
- 3.) In the absence of a detailed construction plan, the Department of Public Works requests: all proposed conduits and appurtenances shall be placed so as to cause minimum conflict with existing underground utility services.
- 4.) All excavated trenches shall be patched flush with the surrounding asphalt using hot mix asphalt binder at the end of each work day, to minimize pedestrian hazards. Asphalt shall be applied in two lifts of 2-inches, totaling 4-inches.
- 5.) All final paving shall be done in consultation with the Department of Public Works and an agreed upon final paving plan executed by the applicant.

MOTION: On a motion by Councilor Nolan, seconded by Councilor Gilman, the Planning & Development Committee voted 3 in favor, 0 opposed, to permit National Grid and Verizon New England to install Underground (UG) conduit on Centennial Avenue from new SO Pole 1311-1 to MH108 approximately 65 feet; to install UG conduit on Western Avenue from MH108 to MH109, approximately 72 feet; to install UG conduit on Western Avenue from MH109 to new Handhole, approximately 60 feet; and to install new Handhole adjacent to new Blynman Canal Bridge House, approximately 14 feet from the centerline of Western Avenue including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures as shown on Plan #21375104, dated 03/14/16, with the following conditions:

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A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dana C. Jorgenson
Clerk of Committees

DOCUMENTS/ITEMS SUBMITTED AT MEETING: None.