Staff Responses to Council Questions October 16, 2018

5. Consent Agenda

E. - H. IGA with Sanitary District, Assignment of Easements, Assignment of road leases to the Sanitary District relating to sanitary sewer facilities

I am concerned this is on the Consent Agenda in the first place. While I know it can be pulled off, it goes to the Active Agenda which is still not a First Reading. Such items should not slip through.

Is there a rush to get this done? Is it time sensitive? If so why?

The Sanitary District is planning to install a solar power system on the lift station. They would like to move forward with this project as soon as possible.

I would like a map of the area covered. I did not see it in the material. See the attached map.

What is a "lift" station?

Wastewater lift stations are facilities designed to move wastewater from lower to higher elevation, particularly where the elevation of the source is not sufficient for gravity flow.

How much has it cost annually to maintain all the property in question? Maybe go back 3 years. This has certainly cost more than the \$133 per year. What is the annual savings on our budget? The Village spends \$133 per year on the access easement. The Sanitary District is currently responsible for the operation and maintenance of the lift station.

Can this property be sold or leased for any other purpose?

No, the Village is only conveying approximately 1 acre of land where the lift station is located.

Once conveyed, can the Sanitary District convey it without Village approval?

Yes, we will be conveying the property to the Sanitary District by quit claim deed and will not be retaining any interests in the property or facilities.

Does this conveyance require 6 votes?

The conveyance of the property requires 6 votes, the assignments of the lease and easements only require 4 votes.

Does this involve the Tollway Authority in any way? No, this does not involve the Tollway Authority.

7. First Reading

C. ORD 2018-7884 An ordinance adopting the fiscal year 2019 budget in lieu of passage of an Appropriation Ordinance

Budget concerns surround the narrative around balanced general fund with deficit spending in funds that are supported by the general fund (Health, Risk, Fleet and ERF). I know a lot of work by staff goes into the budget and that there is a lot of support that is behind the summary pages in the .pdf files; however looking at just the items posted on-line make it difficult to see why / when we can anticipate deficit spending in funds to change. I certainly understand that there will be fluctuations and that as time passes the estimates become easier as they are not as far out in the future, but if you go back and look at past budget and projections they don't seem to tie back here.

The internal service funds primarily supported by the General Fund (Health, Risk, Fleet and ERF) serve as stabilization funds to protect the General Fund from any unforeseen expense fluctuations. While these funds may be unbalanced in any given year, over a period of many years, they do maintain fund balances that provide for overall financial sustainability and predictability, particularly in the General Fund. The table below reflects changes in fund balance for the internal service funds over the past four years.

Change in Fund Balance: General Fund Related Funds					
	Health	Risk	Fleet	ERF	Total
2018 est.	\$354,450	-\$153,965	-\$112,308	-\$350,123	-\$261,946
2017	-\$366,652	\$413,549	-\$229,164	\$149,358	-\$32,909
2016	\$749,176	\$577,287	-\$190,327	\$317,319	\$1,453,455
2015	-\$242,254	\$843,101	\$124,580	\$385,168	\$1,110,595
Total	\$494,720	\$1,679,972	-\$407,219	\$501,722	\$2,269,195

Attachments

Map of IGA Agreement - Sanitary District Area

There are no rEmarks this week



