

## STREET & SEWER COMMITTEE

Aug 28, 2025

### MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Olive  
Alderman Dennis  
Alderman Bryant  
Alderman Driskell

### ALSO PRESENT

Mayor Barry  
Superintendent Mann  
Superintendent Brunc  
Alderman Dorchinecz  
Clerk Richardson  
Alderman Brown  
Stephanie Ballinger  
Treasure Nichols  
Jim Morris

Chairman Olive called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M.

### PAY PROGRESS – TAYLORVILLE FOOD CENTER.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Dennis to recommend to the City Council to direct the Mayor to sign UCM Change Order # 2 for Taylorville Food Center in the amount of -\$52,446.88. Motion carried (4-0).

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Driskell to recommend to the City Council to authorize and direct the Mayor to sign Pay Request #2 from UCM in the amount of \$286,531.18 for the work on the Taylorville Food Center Improvements, this conditioned upon receipt of signed mechanics lien waivers in this amount, certified payroll records and recommendations by the Project Engineer that work has been satisfactorily performed. Funds to come out of line item 010-5-410-52401. Motion carried (4-0).

### REPAIR 05-1 TANDEM

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Olive to recommend to the City Council to authorize the repair of 2001 International F4900 (05-1 Tandem) by JLS not to exceed \$14,000.00. Funds to come from line item 010-5-410-512. Motion carried (4-0).

### DISCUSSION OF WEST MAIN CROSS BUDGET NUMBERS

Jim Morris of Benton & Associates provided an overview of the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Grant Program. The program offers a grant of \$2,500,000.00, with bid submissions closing on September 19, 2025. Morris reviewed preliminary budget estimates related to the West Main Cross project and explained how the grant funding could be applied. Discussion included anticipated project scope, potential matching fund requirements, and alignment with IDOT timelines.

### MFT STRIPING SPRESSER

Jim Morris of Benton & Associates addressed the Committee regarding the re-striping of Spresser Street. He provided information on the scope of work and associated costs for the project. Details included the necessity of the re-striping and potential benefits to traffic flow and safety.

### ADAMS STREET BUDGET AND CONSTRUCTION

Superintendent Mann and Jim Morris from Benton & Associates explained what will need to be done for the Adams Street Improvements.

Motion by Alderman Driskell and seconded by Alderman Bryant to recommend to the City Council that Benton & Associates proceed with seeking proposals for the Adams Street Improvements. Motion carried (4-0).

#### **SAFE ROUTE TO SCHOOL**

Jim Morris of Benton & Associates provided an update on Safe Routes to School

#### **SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT**

Superintendent Mann provided updates on several ongoing projects throughout the city. He spoke on sewer update on Lincoln Trail/Bertinetti. Breckenridge Rd has been seal coated. They have continued to mow.

#### **ANY OTHER MATTERS**

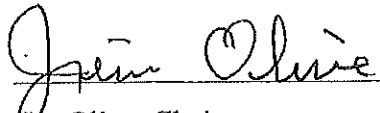
Alderman Driskell raised concerns regarding the cost to the City for operating the lighting at the Industrial Park. She questioned whether the ongoing expense is justified and suggested the City consider turning off the lights as a cost-saving measure.

Superintendent Mann spoke on Bland Property on Sportsman Dr. The property owner is requesting that the existing sewer line be removed from their property.

Mayor Barry addressed the Council regarding the potential sale of a city-owned lot located on Poplar Street. He stated that a neighboring property owner has expressed interest in purchasing the lot.

Stephanie Ballinger of Benton & Associates presented information regarding a Safe Routes to School Grant opportunity in the amount of \$25,000. She explained the purpose of the grant and outlined eligible project types aimed at improving pedestrian and bicycle safety for school-aged children. Ms. Ballinger outlined the types of projects eligible under the grant and inquired whether the City would be interested in pursuing the application, noting that Benton & Associates could assist with the application process at a cost of \$3,200.00.

Motion by Alderman Bryant and seconded by Alderman Dennis to adjourn. Motion carried (4-0).  
Meeting adjourned at 6:58 P.M.



Jim Olive, Chairman  
Street and Sewer Committee