

### Council Report Backs

#### 2023 Revised Budget Questions – Part 2

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| <b>Question 1</b><br>Parking System Study | <b>Question From</b><br>Grayeb/Kelly | <b>Answer From</b><br>PW |
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## Downtown Parking Study - Scope and Estimate of Cost

### Financial Analysis \$30,000

#### Tasks

- Prepare overview of visitor issues and obstacles to visiting the downtown
- Inventory existing business uses and create a parking needs analysis
- Analyze parking usage and demand to develop recommendations for parking modifications and management strategies in various zones
- Analyze off-street parking system
- Analyze interactions between on-street and off-street parking in the downtown
- Analyze leasing perceptions and parking demand
- Summary review of the past five years of the parking system budget to identify trends and note areas for more thorough review
- Identify parking needs based on current business occupant demand
- Provide justification for either removing or retaining paid on-street parking
- Provide recommendations for ongoing management and operation of parking system to balance on-street and on-street parking
- Recommend parking rates for public off-street parking
- Review operational policies and daily parking tasks
- Develop estimates of future enforcement revenue and costs

### Public Involvement \$10,000

#### Tasks

- Develop Project Working Group: This group will consist primarily of city staff and will work directly with the consulting team. The consulting team will meet regularly to review progress and suggest changes to approach as conditions might dictate.
- Conduct interviews with staff and business owners to understand demand and issues.
- Prepare and administer a merchant survey to understand perceived value in parking for shopping/visitors
- Online Survey: develop and host an online survey via Survey Monkey or other suitable means. The City will help to promote the survey effort by providing links to the online survey site via web pages, Facebook, and direct email blasts.
- Host Public Workshop: Organize structured public workshop to provide a means to hear community concerns. Utilize interactive technology to provide an experience where the community not only expresses their opinion, but also learns about effective parking and transportation systems.

### Technology \$5000

#### Tasks

- Review of the latest parking technologies, including but not limited to customer interface, convenience, mobile payments, and parking availability
- Technology recommendations: such as License Plate Recognition (LPR) to assist in enforcing overtime parking

**Data Collection and Engineering \$15,000**

Tasks

- Conduct spot occupancy checks at public and private parking facilities across downtown.
- Create inventory of metered spaces by block and area with unique identifier for each space
- Catalog parking restrictions and dedicated uses throughout study area
- Provide inventory and usage assessment including determination of occupancy and turnover
- Develop updated mapping for City to share with public explaining new parking requirements
- Recommend timed zones for enforcement, as needed per demand
- Recommend placement of specific zones as needed (Loading, taxi, bus, etc.)
- Recommend signage needed to notify public of parking zones and restrictions
- Recommend alternative to the current meter hoods for service vehicles
- Recommend City Code changes that may be necessary to enact recommendations

**Report \$5000**

Tasks

- Incorporate the feedback and comments received from the Project Working Group, interviews, and surveys into the final report document. The final report will include an executive summary detailing all elements of our analysis, along with tables, aerial maps, graphs, graphics, and appendices. The final report will be presented to the City Council, once approved by the City staff.

**Total Estimated Cost = \$65,000**

Schedule - 6 months From Date of agreement

- Phase 1: Kick-Off, Communications Plan, Schedules, and Timeline
- Phase 2: Review of Existing Conditions
- Phase 3: Findings and Draft Recommendations
- Phase 4 Final Report Submission

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| <b>Question 2</b><br>Young Minds Project Funding Options/ Carle UPH | <b>Question From</b><br>Mayor | <b>Answer From</b><br>CM/Finance |
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On October 25<sup>th</sup>, Unity Point provided the City Council with a presentation on a new youth and adolescent mental health facility at the Heddington Oaks Facility. During that presentation, Unity Point requested \$1 million in funding from City Council. Per council direction staff have put together 3 options for City Council to consider.

***Option #1 General Fund***

The City Council could use revenues from the 2023 General Fund budget to fund the request from Unity Point. The 2023 Revised Budget currently has \$1.9 million surplus in general fund. The General Fund would be able to absorb the contribution without going into a negative position in 2023. Staff have included this surplus in future planning as included in the 2023 Revised Budget. In reviewing the 2022 projections, staff believe personal property replacement taxes (PPRT) will come in stronger than the amount shown in the 2022 projection. This would allow the City to make up the loss in the 2023 surplus.

***Option #2 Depot Street Projection Reallocation***

In the 2023 Revised Budget there is \$875,000 included in Capital Fund for some of the public improvements for the Depot Street projection. These expenses are anticipated to be included in a Special Service Area that will be recouped during future years. The Depot Street project is occurring in the Warehouse District TIF.

To accommodate the funding for Unity Point, council would move the \$875,000 for the Depot Street project to the Warehouse District TIF which currently has a surplus of approximately \$1.5 million. Instead of the Special Service Area revenue being paid back to the Capital Fund, under this scenario it would be repaid to the Warehouse District TIF. The City would then supplement the contribution with an additional \$125,000 from the Capital Fund to make the full contribution to Unity Point.

***Option #3 ARPA Funding with Demolition Shift***

As part of the 2023 Revised Budget, \$1 million was allocated for demolitions using ARPA funds. If Council wanted to use ARPA funding for the contribution to Unity Point, the \$1 million for demolitions could be moved to the general fund. This action would have the same net effect as option #1, but has the City use ARPA funds instead of general fund revenues.

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| <b>Question 3</b><br>Site Selector Report Back | <b>Question From</b><br>Velpula | <b>Answer From</b><br>ED |
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The following report back come from Chris Setti, CEO of the GPEDC:

On Friday, October 14 the three site selectors presented to a room of about 50 community members on their findings. We did not receive a copy of their slides until last Thursday, October 20, which also happened to be the day of the Big Table - an obviously all consuming day for GPEDC and our entire staff. That following Sunday, staff attended the Industrial Asset Management Council's Fall Forum in Detroit as a guest of Caterpillar. (IAMC is an association of professionals who manage property for large corporations, like Caterpillar.)

Briefly, the familiarization tour involved the following activities:

Wednesday October 12

- Welcoming private reception at OSF Healthcare Ministry Headquarters, including a tour of their renovation

Thursday October 13

- Tour of Peoria NEXT (Veloxity Labs and Midwest BioProcessing) and discussion of Peoria Bio-Made Initiative
- Tour of ICC North healthcare training facility and discussion of regional workforce pipeline and initiatives
- Lunch meeting at Art, Inc. with a discussion led by Mayor Ali regarding diversity initiatives
- Tour of potential industrial sites in Peoria (Medina Plains) and Morton (adjacent to new Precision Planting facility)
- Visit with Rheo Engineering, a Peoria company that makes machinery for the manufacturing of pharmaceuticals
- Reception with community leaders at the Betty Jayne Brimmer center in Peoria Heights
- Dinner at the Peoria Country Club with Rep. Spain, Sen. Koehler, DCEO Director Sylvia Garcia, and Intersect Illinois CEO Dan Seals

Friday October 14

- Public presentation on findings at the Peoria Riverfront Museum

Our immediate steps have been to reconnect with the Peoria Bio-Made board of directors and our Greater Peoria Attraction Team (GPAT; working group of local economic development professionals, including City of Peoria staff, that advises GPEDC on strategy and helps with implementation).

There are some long-term strategies identified by the consultants that need to be addressed, but they were also very clear in some of the more immediate steps that could be taken. Specifically, when asked what they'd like to see in the next 3-5 years that would make Peoria more attractive and competitive,

they each said a more vibrant and developed downtown and riverfront. They called it the "hole in the donut." That can be a hard thing to hear, and some might even disagree, but we didn't pay them to come here to just tell us what we want to hear. I appreciated the candor of their feedback, both positive and negative. While GPEDC is not in a position to lead urban redevelopment issues in downtown -- and luckily you have a well funded Downtown Development Corporation -- we are more than willing to be a partner in making that happen.

Thank you for your continued investment in the Greater Peoria EDC. Your support of us allows us to create great learning opportunities like this.

Chris

(Slides are attached)

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| <b>Question 4</b><br>Fulton Plaza | <b>Question From</b><br>Riggenbach | <b>Answer From</b><br>PW |
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With the Fulton Plaza street reconstruction pending in the future years of the CIP, the City staff proposes to do the following maintenance items:

- 1) The broken vault entry on the northeast side of the plaza will be replaced;
- 2) Public Works street crews will complete any surface treatments the remainder of the year where needed and as long as Hot Mix Asphalt is available;
- 3) Vegetation will be landscape planned and installed in the spring of 2023.

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| <b>Question 5</b><br>Transportation Commission Recommendations | <b>Question From</b><br>Jensen | <b>Answer From</b><br>PW |
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On October 18, the Transportation Commission passed the following resolution:

**Resolution by the Transportation Commission providing input to the City of Peoria 2023-2024 biannual budget – specifically input to the Community Investment Plan**

The Transportation Commission Ordinance directs the Commission to make recommendations and proposals to the city council and the city administration. It also shall promote Complete Streets concepts. The commission shall also assist and advise concerning transportation items contained in the annual Community Investment Plan (CIP).

The Transportation Commission supports funding for, but is not limited, to the following General Infrastructure Projects:

- 1) To incorporate context sensitive Complete Streets facilities in projects as appropriate including increases that support vehicle, bike and pedestrian safety.
- 2) To incorporate green infrastructure in future projects as appropriate.
- 3) To prioritize funding for accomplishing the bicycle accommodations in the Peoria Complete Streets Projects following the Peoria Bicycle Master Plan.
- 4) To increase roadway safety for all modes of transportation by increasing funding for maintenance for roadways, bike paths and sidewalks.

This resolution was adopted by the Transportation Commission at its meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> of October, 2022.



| <b>Question 6</b>          | <b>Question From</b> | <b>Answer From</b> |
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| Kickapoo Terrace CIP Sheet | Jackson              | PW                 |

Staff prepared a CIP sheet for the Kickapoo Terrace project. It was inadvertently omitted from the report back Part 1 last week. It is now attached.