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April 20, 2009

Honorable Councilman Mollette
c/o City Clerk's Office, JoAnn Aeh
728 2nd St.
Portsmouth, OH 45662

Re: Response to Correspondence #09-010 (Capital Improvement Budget)

Councilman Mollette-

Please find attached the City's response to your correspondence #09-010 regarding the Capital Improvement Budget and other various topics.

Please contact my office if you should need further clarification regarding any of these matters.

Respectfully,

James D. Kalb, Mayor
City of Portsmouth

JDK/crk

cc: City Council
Trent Williams, Auditor
Michael Jones, Solicitor
JoAnn Aeh, Clerk

Memo

To: Mayor
From: Jennifer Hanlon, Director
CC: file
Date: April 9, 2009
Re: Councilman Mollette's questions

Each year Departments submit an updated 5-year plan to the Mayor so the City can better plan and prioritize projects and funding needs. The average cost of my annual request is \$400,000. As the entire CIP is usually around \$1 million, until more revenues are raised whether through an income tax increase or other means, there will always be more projects than there is funding.

The Department also hopes that Council will be able to enhance future revenues as the Department is in dire need of more personnel. Currently, the department workload is quadruple what it was when I became Department Director. Our department does not have secretarial, janitorial or other support staff, so the two-person department spends time on tasks such as referring telephone calls, cleaning the restroom, setting up meetings, making copies, typing meeting minutes, etc... that takes away from the completion of our regular duties. We also hire consultants for tasks that could be completed with City staff if we had more personnel.

Here are my responses to the questions from Councilman Mollette concerning my 2009 CIP request:

3. The Community Development Department has requested a vehicle at the proposed cost of \$25,000. Please confirm the need and evaluate the availability/suitability of current City owned vehicles? Fuel economy?

The Community Development Department is the only department not housed in the City building which does not have a City vehicle. The staff needs a vehicle to effectively perform City duties. Both the Director and the Grants Technician use their vehicles for City business and are only reimbursed for mileage when they attend out of town trips specifically related to grants which allow for travel reimbursement.

On average, I have used my personal vehicle 6,000 miles annually in the completion of City business since I began working for the City in 2003. The Grants Technician averages about 3,000 miles annually.

For the 5 years I have worked for the City, I have requested a vehicle in every annual CIP. Each year, the request is removed and I am told I can have a hand-me down vehicle from another department. Service Department Director Chris Murphy and I review these hand-me downs, and each year, these vehicles are not suitable as they have been driven many miles, have moderate to severe wear and tear, and do not meet our needs.

The Community Department regularly drives locally, regionally and state wide to attend meetings, workshops and give presentations as part of our City duties. To complete and monitor projects, we make multiple daily trips to other City offices and project sites. We regularly visit project sites to monitor work, interview employees, meet with the contractors in order to monitor compliance with the contract and grant guidelines. We routinely escort consultants, engineers, developers and other around the city. Just last Friday, a consultant and engineer met with my office and we visited several locations in the Third Ward concerning a possible grant project. Again, this tour was completed using my personal vehicle. Our department staff also serves on several boards and committees as part of our City responsibilities and regularly attends meetings to fulfill this part of our job duties.

When I purchased a new personal vehicle several years ago, I chose an energy-efficient smaller SUV solely because of the needs of my City job. We need room to have 4-5 persons in 1 vehicle, and we also need room to pack equipment for presentations, to take materials to the department's fair booth, and so on.

I plan to purchase an SUV Hybrid similar to what the Service Department purchased a few years ago. This will be the most gas efficient vehicle that meets the needs of the Department and gets an estimated mpg 30 (based on vehicle data and Chris Murphy's actual mileage).

4. The Community Development Department has requested \$50,000 Historic Preservation and \$50,000 CDBG Matching Funds. Please elaborate on these proposed budget items.

Part of the Community Development and Service Department's long range plan has always included Spartan Stadium and Branch Rickey Park. I requested \$75,000 in Historic Preservation funds in this year's CIP to perform several vital projects relating to both the Stadium and Branch Rickey. Since the originally requested amount has been modified, some of the proposed work will take place in another year.

As Council may recall, the City Schools consulted with an engineering company several years ago concerning Spartan Stadium, and this company merely performed a site visit to the stadium before issuing a report. To date, there have not been any studies of the Stadium performed by architects or engineers who specialize in historic properties.

This Historic Preservation project will allow the City to employ the services of an approved consultant by the Ohio Historic Preservation Office, one that specializes in historic structures. The following tasks need to be performed:

A. *File National Register nomination*

Fee range is \$3,800 to \$6,500.

Project includes:

- Research
- Documentation
- Preparation of nomination forms
- Coordination with the Ohio Historic Preservation Office (OHPO) and the National Park Service
- First draft submission to OHPO
- Modifications to first draft
- Photographic documentation per National Park Service requirements
- Final draft submission

B. *Preservation Plan*

Fee range is \$19,000 to \$24,000.

Project includes:

- Conditions Assessment
- Structural Assessment
- Utilization Plan
- Prioritize major projects

C. *Maintenance Plan*

Fee Range is \$20,000 to \$30,000.

Project includes:

- Inventory materials
- Photo-documentation
- Maintenance Philosophy
- Schedule routine work
- Schedule extraordinary work
- Checklists to accompany
- Reporting system
- Specifications for maintaining materials

As the initial CIP request has been reduced to fit into the City's entire 2009 CIP budget, we will perform as much work as possible. That may include A, B and C on the Stadium or A and B on both Branch Rickey and the Stadium. Chris Murphy and myself will review actual project quotes and determine how best to proceed to complete as many tasks as possible in 2009. Once we complete the above tasks, future work will include requesting funding from grant sources and the CIP to perform the major maintenance items that need to be completed.

During 2009, the City hopes to apply for both the 2009 Community Development Block Grant Formula Program and the Neighborhood Revitalization program. As Council may recall, we received a \$300,000 Neighborhood Revitalization grant in 2007 and this year the construction for that project will commence, replacing sidewalks and catch basins in the East End and adding ADA accessible curb cuts throughout the neighborhood. Both grants require matching funds from the local community. The more matching funds we have, the higher we score on grant applications which make us serious contenders for funding.

In the past, the Department has merely tagged on with other departments; Engineering, Waste Water, Water and Service graciously have set aside some of their funding to assist with matching funds. However, it is difficult to manage a project when a department does not have direct control over funds. Since many grants span multiple years, the department must ensure that the other departments carry over funds. Likewise, if there is an emergency in another department, sometimes our matching funds are used for other purposes, and then we must scramble to find monies. As part of grant requirements, we also must keep documentation of how funds are spent. Currently we must wait on other departments to furnish this information.

In addition, the CDBG grants require third party cost estimates and drawings for construction-related projects. For simple items like paving, the City can merely provide the road dimensions to a local paving company who can provide estimates. However, for more detailed projects, a qualified engineer is required. Again the past, we have had to rely on the kindness of other departments to provide funding for Community Development to hire engineers and other qualified consultants.

With my current 5-year plan, I am requesting funds annually in the CIP for matching funds for our CDBG grants. Beginning in 2010, we will also be applying for the housing grant program. By having these funds directly under Community Development, we can better manage the funds and more easily track and monitor fund usage. It will also allow us to specifically know how much funding we have available when we need to hire an engineer or consultant for pre-grant application needs and facilitate the hiring of such.

The \$50,000 for the 2009 CDBG programs will allow us to hire an engineering firm who is familiar with CDBG funding to complete drawings and cost estimates as required for the grant applications in addition to having matching funds for the grants.

5. In the 2008 CIP Budget the Community Development Department requested \$25,000 for Skate Park Planning and \$20,000 for Website Improvements. Please elaborate on the status of these projects.

The City is still looking for an appropriate site for the Skate Park. If the City Center initiative had passed and we were able to relocate all offices contained within the City building at 2010 Charles Street (the old Naval Reserve Building), this site would have been partially razed to provide room for the Skate Park. The building has large hanger-type bays and one of these would have remained to provide indoor skating possibilities in addition to building an exterior park. The addition of a skate park to this current recreational area would have enhanced the Branch Rickey/Spartan Stadium area.

As this site is no longer an option, the next best location that the City owns which meets the needs for the Skate Park is Mound Park. It has adequate space available and is also currently a recreational area. We have contacted the Ohio Historic Preservation Office as such a project near the Mound would need to have the approval of this office. Tim Allen with OHPO stated that since there is an Indian Mound at the park and it has not been surveyed, we must perform a phase 1 before any construction could occur. This would cost approximately \$1,500 - \$2,000. Mr. Allen will provide the City with a list of qualified firms who can perform this work. Once this survey is completed, we will know exactly where we can build at Mound Park. Once we know the exact location, we can then hire a designer for the project. We have been in touch with the local skate shop and will be creating a committee to work with the design company. Since I personally do not skate board, I want to be sure the skate board park reflects the needs of the local skating community. Skaters, parents and others will be involved in the planning committee. We plan to establish the committee in 2009.

The City website project has been pushed back. When the 2008 CIP was passed in May, the Community Development was already involved in the CDBG grant applications which were due in June, working with the consultant and engineer on the 2007 Neighborhood Revitalization grant, and the Certified Local Government Grant. Then the department was at half staff for the last three months of the year; thus projects which had grant deadlines took priority and other projects were pushed back.

Currently, I have asked the Mayor to allow Mike Penn, Chris Murphy, Crystal Weghorst and Shannon Southworth to work on this project. Several companies have been identified as being able to provide the database-driven site that will allow each department to have control over updating their respective information and provide other features that will enhance the City's operation and communication. Several companies have developed programs specifically for municipal governments. One company has already provided several demonstrations to the Mayor, Mike, Crystal and myself and developed a sample new main page. We hope this project will be completed in 2009.

Engineering Dept.

ITEM 6:

Traditionally, there has been a total of \$200K available each year for the paving program and this year the Engineering Department has a \$19K carryover from 2008 combined with the requested \$181K and, as of April 01, 2009, will be used to pave the following streets:

1. 17th St. from Grandview Ave. to Mabert Rd. – approximate cost: \$65,578.00
2. Thomas Ave. from 17th St. to Dorman Dr. – approximate cost: \$64,599.00
3. Dorman Dr. from Circle Dr. to Thomas Ave. – approximate cost: \$20,450.00

With the rise in cost of all petroleum based materials used in the paving process, there has been a steady decline in the amount of paving that can be accomplished each budget cycle. Consequently, fewer streets are paved each year.

ITEM 7:

The investments from 2008 -

1. The HP Large format scanner that was purchased allows this department to offer a wide range of scanning services to all city departments. The primary reason for this purchase was to archive all of the drawings located within the numerous flat-file storage cabinets. This scanner has also been used to scan quite a few current drawings (ex: the water line drawings for GIS input) and continues to be a very useful tool.
2. The aerial photos were purchased to update the existing aerial photos that were flown in 1999. The new photos are hi-resolution, full-color, 6"pixel photos that show a LOT of changes in our city from 1999 – 2008.
3. The laptop's actual price was much lower than the \$6,000 allocated and is used as a portable workstation for the GIS as well as to support the city's IT issues.
4. The software maintenance agreements cover all of the GIS software (ex: Map3D, Civil3D, MapGuide Enterprise).

2009 -

The GIS CIP budget submitted was for a total of \$71,300 and includes the software maintenance mentioned above and one major GIS project. The project is the implementation of Topobase, a program that will allow the water, wastewater, and engineering departments to consolidate all relevant data about their individual infrastructures into one Oracle based database and will be able to, via the soon-to-be-installed wi-fi network or Verizon Aircards, input data directly into the GIS and make the information available on the internet. A summary of Topobase will be included.

ITEM 8:

Special Projects update -

Wi-Fi: The city has talked to representatives from a few different vendors and have, so far, received two proposals from CISCO and Scioto Wireless.

CISCO proposes a wireless mesh network that involves the installation of approximately 300 nodes throughout the city but could cost a few million dollars.

Scioto Wireless proposes more of a two or three high-capacity broadcast tower nodes that may only cost around \$100K or so. We have not received an official proposal from them yet.

Grandview Ave. - We have discussed the proposed widening with ME Companies and they are also currently working on a cost estimate.

Also, during the course of the year there are always small projects that need to be done that cannot wait until the following year and these funds are used for that purpose.

The proposed \$120K - Looking at the proposed budget (a copy is enclosed) there is \$20K added for projects this year with \$285K carried over from 2008 (for the Grandview Ave. and wi-fi projects) to cover the small projects that usually pop up through the year.

ITEM 9:

\$20K for building repairs -

Some of the maintenance items that have been discussed for 2009 include an additional electrical panel installed in the engineering department to support the large format copier, large scanner, large plotter, the computers and the servers. Some of the AC units need to be replaced in a few departments. The remainder of the funds will be used to repair broken water lines, broken doors & windows, leaking walls and ceilings, repairing the walls that have material crumbling off of them, and other items.

ITEM 10:

The \$140K was requested in order to replace our main CMI server, 6 Windows servers (housing our website, email, building application, anti-virus, PubWorks, and a bunch of other applications), the firewall, add a dedicated anti-spam/anti-virus appliance, rework our IP scheme for better security, VLAN implementation (network segmentation), SAN (storage area network) implementation (all user's "My Documents" folders will be redirected to the SAN and backed-up by a dedicated D2D backup). Some computer parts will be purchased. These will include a few mice, optical drives, hard drives, and other parts that go bad throughout the year. Other equipment will be purchased to support the city's channel 24 initiative to include an additional video camera, extra digital backgrounds, a light kit, 3 mics, and a few miscellaneous items like cables and connectors.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN
2009

CIP FUND	DESCRIPTION	2007	2008	2008	As of 12/31	Carryover	Proposed	Total
		Carryover	CIP Added	Total CIP	Spent	to 2009	2009 CIP	CIP Plus Carryover
301.112	Computers	0	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	2,000
0.5536	Miscellaneous Equipment	0	1,000	1,000	164	836	164	1,000
0.5325	Street Resurfacing	90,000	110,000	200,000	180,925	19,000	181,000	200,000
0.5325	Curbs and Sidewalks	5,000	15,000	20,000	0	20,000	0	20,000
0.5536	GIS Equip./Services	0	49,500	49,500	49,500	0	71,300	71,300
0.5529	Miscellaneous Projects	35,000	275,000	310,000	17,065	285,000	20,000	305,000
0.5529	Building Repairs	3,000	15,000	18,000	13,688	0	20,000	20,000
0.5536	Central Computer & I.T. Equip.	0	33,700	33,700	33,700	0	140,520	140,520
TOTAL 2009 CIP=							414,984	759,820

301.112.5536 - GIS Equip./Services - Topobase Installation & Software Maintenance. Topobase will prove to be a critical application to the engineering, sewer and water departments. Details will follow.

301.112.5536 - Central Computer & I.T. Equip. - Computer replacement parts, Norton Ghost, SAN, New Servers, software renewal, etc....plus video and sound equipment. We need to start replacing servers again. Their 5 year lifespan has ended and replacement becomes critical.

301.112.5325 - Street Resurfacing - Plans are to pave 17th St. from Grandview to Mabert; Thomas Ave. from 17th to Dorman; and Dorman from Circle Drive to Thomas; their will also have to be some curb installation/replacement in places.

301.112.5529 - \$275,000.00 of this amount is carryover from the Mayor's money for parking spaces on Grandview Avenue, and City's WIFI System.



Price Quotation

Quote: 3208938
Reference: 457246
Date: 03/13/2008
Expires: 03/24/2009

To: Mr. Michael Penn
City of Portsmouth Engineering
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Portsmouth, OH 45662

From: Mary-Elizabeth Foley
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#	Part No.	Description	Qty	Contract	Unit Price	Ext. Price
1	9701-5202mwg	Autodesk Topobase Client 2009 Network License with Subscription and Autodesk Gold Support - 1 year	1	GSA	\$10,386.35	\$10,386.35
2	9701-5204mwg	Autodesk Topobase Web 2009 New Network License with Subscription and Autodesk Gold Support - 1 year	10	GSA	\$936.51	\$9,365.10
3	DLT0100	Firm Fixed Pricing Services Solution: Autodesk Based Service to be provided per attached Customer Confirmation Document "City of Portsmouth, Ohio Topobase Quick Start" 08-18-2008	1	OM	\$43,010.75	\$43,010.75
4	TRAVEL	Travel and Expenses Estimate for Travel and Expenses. Will be billed as Actuals.	1	OM	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00

Total: \$67,762.20

GSA Schedule Data:
Contract #: GS-35F-4543G
Contract Category: Schedule 70
Contract Term: 04/01/1997-4/1/2013
DUNS #: 78-646-8199
Federal ID #: 54-1599882
CAGE Code: OS0H9
FOB: Destination
Terms: Net 30 (On Approved Credit)
DLT accepts VISA/MC/AMEX
Ship Via: Fedex Ground/UPS

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SunTrust Bank
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Portsmouth Police Department
2009 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET
FOLLOWUP RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS

April 10, 2009

Mayor Kalb, I offer the following in response to Councilman Mollette's questions submitted to you regarding the Police Department's CIP requests.

14) The Portsmouth Police Department maintains an assigned vehicle program. This program is vital to the quick response of officers to emergency situations. In order to maintain a safe and well-maintained program, it is important that cars be replaced periodically. This request is vital to the maintenance of the fleet and the safety of our officers.

15) The purchase of the in-car cameras and the license plate recognition equipment is consistent with the long term planning of the Portsmouth Police Department. The installation of in-car cameras in our cruisers began in 2008. This is a continuation of that project. The license plate reader technology enables us to better combat crime and allows us to collaborate with multiple jurisdictions throughout the state of Ohio and neighboring states in locating felony vehicles. It furthers our ability to meet the goals and objectives set forth in the Law Enforcement Homeland Security Program on both a regional and state level.

Myself and/or the Police Chief will be prepared to answer specific questions in regards to the Police Department requests.

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Robert Ware, Captain

Portsmouth police Department



CITY OF PORTSMOUTH
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April 13, 2009

2009 CIP Expense Justification

Engine 1 is a 1950 model Mack Convertible Pumper. This truck is used for public relations and fire safety education. Currently it is out of service in need repairs to the breaks and clutch.

Engine 2 (Vehicle 194), several discharge valves leaking, side warning lights inoperable, pressure relief valve inoperable, equipment mounts broken or nonexistent.

Engine 4 (Vehicle 190) Rear Discharge Valve Leaking, rear cross lay gauge broken, compartment door warning light inoperable, officer's seat belt needs extension, driver's seat needs re-upholstered, water level gauge inoperable.

Engine 14 (Vehicle 179) dash gauges inoperable, booster reel rewind inoperable, air leak in break system, pump plumbing leaking, #1 # 3 #4 discharge valves inoperable, pressure relief valve inoperable, water level indicators inoperable, battery switch intermittent, tires dry rotted.

Engine 13 (Vehicle 189) sequential light inoperable, air pressure gauges inoperable, oil pressure gauge inoperable, cab roof leaking, rpm gauge inoperable, side beacons inoperable, front axle seals leaking

Vehicles 179 and 189 are reserve trucks which are placed in service when the first line trucks require repairs or maintenance. They are also placed in service when our first due companies are committed to other emergencies. These vehicles if properly maintained will provide 3 to 5 years service.

Reference; 3rd Ward Councilman, Bob Mollette, Memorandum, Subject: 2009 Capitol Improvement Budget, dated 6 April 2009

**FROM: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE, 55 Mary Ann Street,
Portsmouth, OH 45662**

TO: Mayor, City of Portsmouth, 728 2nd Street, Portsmouth, OH 45662

Per your request, the following information is submitted as it pertains to this department.

Item# 17: During the 10 November Council Meeting, CL 08-50 was introduced with an attached brochure explaining the function and operation of the "Speed Sentry" units. Council gave it three readings and the ordinance passed 8 December 2008. I am asking for two more units to bring the total to four, so we can at least perform traffic counts at one intersection at the same time.

Item #18: The 60" Boom Head is needed to cut shrubs and weeds along side the roads and highways on the other side of guardrails. The dump bed replacement is pretty self explanatory. Over the years salt has corroded the dump bed to the point it needs replaced. The truck itself is in good shape. The request for a dump truck is tow the "Dura-Patch" trailer. Currently we are using an older F-450. The weight of the trailer on many of the hill streets is too much for the truck and is beginning to damage the transmission. A bigger truck is required for this operation.

Item #19: The Levy Walk is something that has need attention since my coming to the Service Department. Many of the lights are not working or have fixtures missing. Tracy Park – the city has partnered with the Kawanna's to put in a play ground at Tracy Park. These funds are the City's contribution toward that project. Mound Park / Cyndee Secrest Park – Cyndee Secrest currently has a basketball court and a tennis court. The plan is to resurface the courts while replacing the basketball court with another tennis court; put in new poles and nets; add lighting to both Mound & Secrest courts. Plans are in the works to put in a new basketball court near the Secrest Park Area. Miscellaneous – All parks are in desperate need of having water fountains repaired or replaced.

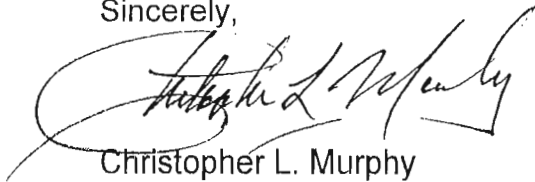
Item #20: There are currently no major investments scheduled for Branch Ricky or Spartan Stadium. There is much to be done but not enough money in the City funds to accomplish the tasks needed. Just to put a sealer on Spartan Stadium alone would cost nearly \$90,000 dollars. This does not include making repairs prior to sealing the concrete surfaces. Bathroom upgrades are needed at both facilities. All the doors at Branch Ricky need to be replaced at a cost exceeding \$10,000. New bleachers need to be installed at Branch Ricky. The Track around the Stadium needs to be replaced at a cost over \$800,000. It is my plan to remove Rose Street Park from the cities inventory. We are continuing to work with Sherrod Browns Office to procure some funding to complete some of these

bigger projects. Shawnee State has moved their Baseball program to Branch Ricky. They will be able to assist in some things.

My question to City Council is, "What is Council's plan to procure the needed funds to accomplish the needs to this cities recreational facility?" I know what needs to be accomplished; I need the funding to do it.

Item #30: The video security system that was installed in Greenlawn Cemetery over two years ago is functioning properly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christopher L. Murphy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "C".

Christopher L. Murphy
Director of Public Service
City of Portsmouth

Memorandum

TO: Mayor James Kalb

FROM: Sam Sutherland, Director of Water

SUBJECT: 2009 CIP Budget Questions from Councilman Mollette

DATE: April 9, 2009

21. Waterworks receives approximately \$600,000.00 per year into Fund #606. The current balance of that fund is \$1,130,000.00.

22. The Valve Insertion Machine is needed to alleviate problems like the occurrence of the intersection of Gallia Street and Kendall Ave. in December 2008, the backhoe to be replaced is beyond the use of the Water Department and the old unit will be handed down to the Service Department for concrete repairs and street restoration, Truck #62 is a 2001 Dodge pickup with 105,000 miles and will be replaced with a smaller more economical truck.


23. The fencing is to secure the property behind the Filtration Plant which will ultimately become the Pipeyard. The camera upgrade is to give a better view of the MIEX Equipment and also the east gate of the plant. The \$43,825.00 is balance of money left from the \$300,000.00 that is normally budgeted for CIP will be used to replace small waterlines throughout the system as needed and also any address maintenance issues at pump stations.

24. The status of the project is nearly complete and there are issues still being dealt with.

25. Part of the \$43,825.00 from question number 23 is to be utilized for the painting and repairing of the Sunrise Ave. Reservoir. The spalling that appears on the reservoir is not structural but cosmetic and will be addressed as soon as weather permits.

If there are any further questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,


Sam Sutherland, Director
Portsmouth Waterworks

Crystal Weghorst

From: Richard Duncan
Sent: Thursday, April 09, 2009 5:51 PM
To: Jim Kalb; cweghorst76@yahoo.com; Crystal Weghorst
Subject: 2009 Capital Improvement Budget (Mollete 4/6/09 memo)
Attachments: Five years plans: Wastewater, Flood Defense

Mayor:

The following is my response to Councilman Mollette's memo.

26. The amounts in the Capital Budget represent the funds needed for engineering and design expenses for the projects described in Council Letter 63 of 2008 and the Contract authorized by Ordinance No. 11 of 2009. These projects are needed improvements to the Portsmouth Wastewater Treatment System which are proposed for funding as part of the Federal Economic Stimulus Plan. The City's consultant, Environmental Engineering Service is designing the improvements.

27. The City's consultant, Strand Associates, is continuing their update of the Combined Sewer Overflow/Long Term Control Plan. We are in ongoing discussions with USEPA and Ohio EPA regarding compliance with CSO/LTCP requirements of the Clean Water Act, options for addressing basement flooding issues, and acquiring federal and other available funds these needs. I hope to give you and City Council an updated report in the near future.

28. I have attached my five-year plan for Flood Defense. (Excel File.) Regarding available Flood Defense funds, I believe the current unencumbered balance in Fund 265 is around \$1,000,000. The City Auditor can provide the precise balance.

29. The proposed crane truck for Flood Defense will enable City personnel to lift heavy flood gates, valves, pumps and other equipment, as needed from time to time for repairs and maintenance, rather than having to rent a crane. It will also assist the City in the periodic erection of flood gates at all flood wall openings which is a new requirement of FEMA and the US Corps of Engineers.

Richard Duncan, PE
Director of Wastewater
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