ASHLAND Water Advisory Committee MINUTES March 26, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Graf called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM

Committee Members Present: Pat Acklin, Joe Graf, Rich Miller, Don Morris, Kate Jackson, Donna Rhee,

Committee Members Absent: John Williams, Lesley Adams, Darrell Boldt, Alex Amarotico

Staff present: Paula Brown, Steve Walker, Michael Morrison, Kevin Caldwell, Julie Smitherman, Lea Richards, Taina Glick

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

PUBLIC FORUM

None

Old Business

- **A.** Water Treatment Plant Pre-design Progress Caldwell and Brown apprised the group of the status of the design phase of the WTP. Cost estimate and 30% plans should be completed in May. Potential start of construction in 2020.
- **B. T.I.D. Piping Project Update** Brown shared the <u>presentation</u> of the piping project to the group and requested input on ways to improve how the data is presented. Committee members discussed the following concerns and suggestions with staff:
 - Storm water runoff
 - E Coli levels
 - Make presentation available on paper as well as digitally
 - Flow rate reduction
 - Clarification of anticipated tree removal and parameters for removal
 - Clarify the term "connectivity"
 - Highlight the challenge of quantifying the projects effect on property values
 - Actual excavation size
 - Amount of theft

Committee members and staff discussed costs associated with the project.

Staff thanked committee members for their input.

Graf inquired if action was necessary from the Committee. Brown requested that the group submit a letter of support for the project. Committee members suggested. Jackson moved to submit a letter of support to City Council. Motion was seconded. Jackson amended her motion to support option 1 and not support Option 4. Amendment seconded. All ayes. Brown indicated staff would compose a draft and send it to the group for editing.

C. Next Steps for Water Master Plan

Brown described that WTP costs and treatment process have been outlined. Committee members were asked to attend three more meetings related to the plan: April, May, and June.

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New Business

None

Next Committee meeting April 23, 2019 4:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT: at 5:35 pm

Respectfully submitted, Taina Glick Public Works Administrative Assistant