

## Citizens' Advisory Panel

**Date:** Monday, January 7, 2013  
**Time:** 12:15 – 1:15 PM  
**Place:** Victoria City Hall – Committee Room 1

## MEETING NOTES

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### Attendance

**Members:** Jim Kerr, Sid Chow, Don Prittie, Margaret Lucas, Andrew Turner, Richard Linzey  
**Staff:** Peter Sparanese (Chair), Gail Stephens, Katie Josephson, Ken Jarvela, Dwayne Kalynchuk, Bridget Frewer, Laura Baker (recording secretary)  
**Guests:** Joost Meyboom, MMM

### 1. Agenda and Call to Order

Peter thanked everyone for coming and called the meeting to order at 12:15 pm. There being no additions to the Agenda, it was adopted as circulated.

### 2. Approval of CAP Minutes

Copies of the notes for the meeting held October 25, 2012 were distributed to the Panel for the purpose of having them approved.

### 3. Johnson Street Bridge Contract Award

Ken and Dwayne provided a technical presentation on the fixed price contract award for construction of the new Johnson Street Bridge.

It was explained that, following the competitive process with three world class construction companies, the City awarded the fixed price contract worth \$63,235,000 to PCL Constructors Westcoast Inc. PCL is the largest contracting organization in Canada, and the sixth largest in the United States. PCL has built large scale bridges across North America.

The fixed price contract to PCL to construct the new bridge is within the project budget, consistent with the plans on file from the referendum, and meets the requirements of the project Charter and the Project Definition Report.

The contract includes roadway, landscaping, paths, trails, decommissioning of the old bridge, and the new lifting bridge. In addition to the project, PCL will build a retaining wall as lease improvement to adjacent City property on Harbour Road.

The contract also includes six design optimizations approved by the City, which are consistent with the objectives of the Project Charter. Joost provided an overview of these optimizations, which identify opportunities to optimize design for further benefit to the City (i.e. reduce capital costs, reduce maintenance costs, expedite timeline, reduce environmental impacts, and manage project risks).

The six optimizations are the following:

- Bascule Pier – reduction in size;
- Hydraulic Mechanical System;
- Rest Pier – simplified geometry;
- Simplified Truss Sections;
- Concrete Approach Spans rather than steel;
- Concrete Multi-Use Trail Overpass rather than steel.

Dwayne concluded the presentation by addressing the timeline milestones for the project: the contractor is scheduled to be on-site in April 2013 with construction to begin in summer 2013; the new bridge is scheduled to open in fall 2015 and the project completion date is March 2016.

#### 4. **Next Steps**

- **Project Start Up Meeting:**  
The project start up meeting will take place between the City, MMM, and PCL on Wednesday, January 9, 2013. This meeting will discuss the project's construction details.
- **Development of Project Schedule:**  
Communications is developing a stakeholder engagement plan based on the detailed construction schedule from PCL and will inform CAP once this has been identified. This communications plan will be presented to CAP prior to finalization in March. Laura will follow up regarding the next CAP meeting.

#### 5. **New Business**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.