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Transportation and Mobility Committee

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Summary

- The city is working on developing a safe way for residents to travel regardless of the form of transportation they choose to use.
- Officials are applying for grants to help with the infrastructure updates to reduce the money the city will need to contribute.
- Council Member Brian Kazy was adamant about contractors holding the city hostage and their need to fulfill the contract even if the city denies an increase in payments.

Follow-Up Questions

- Is there something in place to counteract the blocking of sidewalk access by the scooters and bikes?
- Will this availability of scooters and bikes be extended further east?
- How are the bikes and scooters collected?
- Will more protected bike routes help connect neighborhoods, including those disconnected by tragic events such as the [burning of the Sidaway Bridge during the Hough Riots?](#)

Notes

The meeting began at 10 a.m. and ended at 12 p.m. In attendance were:

Kerry McCormack, chair

Kevin Bishop

Deborah Gray

Charles Slife, vice chair

Rebecca Maurer

The committee approved the following four [emergency ordinances](#).

[866-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Port Control to enter into one or more contracts with Impact Communications Co. for professional services necessary to provide design, engineering, production, fabrication, delivery and other necessary services for the Viktor Schreckengost sculpture “Time & Space” to be installed at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport, for the Division of Airports, Department of Port Control.

Acting Director of Port Control Dennis Kramer: To reinstall artwork from artist Viktor Schreckengost, a native of Sebring, Ohio, at the airport.

Approved

[986-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Port Control to employ one or more professional consultants, software developers or vendors to develop and implement an Emergency Alert Notification System, and related services, at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport and Burke Lakefront Airport; authorizing the purchase by one or more contracts of the systems, for a period of one year with four one-year options to renew, exercisable by the Director of Port Control.

Kramer: Contract for a crash phone, which is an emergency-alert notification system. The present one is out of date. This is a direct connection to air traffic control, making response time faster.

McCormack: The cost is \$120,000.

Approved

[989-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Port Control to enter into one or more professional services contracts, purchase contracts and requirement contracts to assist in the development of a continued proactive marketing and advertising strategy, including but not limited to a new website to promote Cleveland Hopkins International Airport and Burke Lakefront Airport, marketing, promotional, public relations, advertising, and creative services; authorizing the purchase or lease of television and radio advertising time and other media, each for a period of one year, with three one-year options to renew, the second of which requires additional legislative authority.

Kramer: Seeking new contract. The current contract expires in February 2023.
Approved

[1038-2022](#) AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE Authorizing the Director of Port Control to enter into an amendment to Contract No. MA 1505 RC2019-87 with Nachurs Alpine Solutions, LLC for the purchase of various FAA-approved deicing chemicals to provide a new provision to allow for a modification to the unit prices of the products due to supply issues and rapidly fluctuating prices.

Kramer: Amend based on current conditions to get in line with current pricing.

McCormack: What is the increase?

Dejan Radosavljevic, Assistant Commissioner of Airport Operations: 40 to 50 percent increase.

Kazy: When does this contract expire?

Radosavljevic: November of 2023.

Kazy: What are the advantages or disadvantages of holding them to the current contract price?

Radosavljevic: Would have to go into litigation. We have denied price increases in the past, but the vendor can no longer continue at a loss.

Kazy: Companies hold us hostage. It is not our fault that they are having trouble.

McCormack: Is this the only supplier in Ohio?

Radosavljevic: Two main suppliers, the other is in Iowa. We will see similar prices but also an increase in freight cost and time.

Approved

After the approval of the previous four [emergency ordinances](#), there was a presentation of the “Active Transportation Update.” The entire presentation can be viewed here:

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The Mobility/Active Transportation Plan involves making it safe for people to walk and use bikes, wheelchairs and scooters to move around the streets of Cleveland.

The Superior Midway project is the test pilot for this Active Transportation Plan. It would accommodate protected bike lanes. Project cost is \$24 million. Have received grant funds and will start the design at the beginning of 2023. Expect to begin construction in 2025.

Project Area

- The project area is 2.5 miles of Superior Avenue from Public Square to E. 55th Street
- Includes Wards 10, 7 and 3
- The corridor is primarily commercial with commercial, light industrial and residential side streets. The image below is a rendering of the project.



The Lorain Avenue Midway Project is another initiative featuring protected bike lanes. The planning dates back to 2011.

Project Area

- 1.8 miles from W. 65th Street to W. 20th Street.
- Includes Wards 15 and 3

- The corridor is primarily mixed use (commercial/residential) with residential side streets

Cost estimate \$30 million for total project. Have a grant for \$15 million so far, an official said. To advance, the city needs to issue a [request for proposal \(RFP\)](#) for design services.

This is a rendering of shared-mobility parking hubs for scooters and bikes.



McCormack: A robust mobility plan is an issue of environmental justice, an issue of economic justice, and we know that it is an issue of equity as well.

The presentation showed three grant updates that are pending and four grand updates with upcoming deadlines.

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