

June 9, 2011



Unauthorized Items

1. OPWC Pre-Application Revision (Draft 11-49)

In Committee last month staff requested and received Council's authorization to submit an OPWC pre-application notice for additional funds for the Summit Street Traffic Project in the amount of \$490,000. However, in communicating this request with OPWC we were advised that the use of OPWC funds for that purpose was not eligible for funding so now staff is requesting Council's authorization to submit a request to resurface Majors Lane in the amount of \$110,500. (attachment)

Administrative Recommendation

I recommend Council's support for the submission of the revised OPWC pre-application request.

Council Action

Authorize staff to submit the revised OPWC pre-application request to fund the resurfacing of Majors Lane.

Information Items

1. June 7th Planning Commission Meeting

Gary Locke has enclosed copies of the Planning Commission agenda and staff report for the June 7th, 2011 Planning Commission meeting. There was 1 item up for consideration: 1) Acorn Alley Phase II Plaza site plan review. (attachment)

2. GovQA Citizen Action Center Report

As a follow up to the staff presentation of the GovQA online Citizen Action Center, Suzanne has provided an activity summary for the site from 1/1/11 through 3/31/11. During that period, we had 1,447 visitors to the site who viewed 7,798 pages, and submitted 16 questions and 28 service requests. In dollar terms, the online site information service saved the City nearly \$8,000 in staff time for the first quarter of 2011. (attachment)

3. Kent Central Gateway License to Occupy

As previously authorized by Council, Jim Bowling has been working with PARTA to prepare the legal agreement necessary to allow PARTA to occupy a portion of the public right of way adjacent to their building where the building foundation will need to encroach in the public right of way. PARTA's foundation will encroach no more than four feet on Erie Street and 1 foot on Depeyster. This item will appear on your Regular Council Agenda as authorized so I wanted to share this latest update with you for your information. (see attachment)

Information Items (continued)

4. Kent Police Statistics

Chief Lee has provided a copy of the police statistics report for April 2011. In 2011 calls for service are down 6% (439 calls); traffic citations are down 8% (110 tickets); accident incidents are up 13% (38 incidents) and serious crimes are down 3% (7 cases). (attachment)

5. Congratulatory Letter From Congressman Ryan

For your information I have attached a copy of a congratulatory letter sent to Kent State University, the City and PARTA from Congressman Ryan in recognition of the progress with the downtown redevelopment project. (attachment)