

CITY OF COOS BAY CITY COUNCIL
Agenda Staff Report

MEETING DATE July 5, 2016	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
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TO: Mayor Shoji and City Councilors

FROM: Jennifer Wirsing, Engineering Services Coordinator

THROUGH: Rodger Craddock, City Manager *REC*
Jim Hossley, Public Works Director *H*

ISSUE: Consideration of Night Time Work for Construction of the Blossom Gulch & S 10th Street Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project

BACKGROUND:

The City of Coos Bay's Municipal Code (Chapter 9.20 Offenses Against Public Peace) regulates "unreasonable noise" (section 9.20.010). The code states, "The following are declared to be unreasonable noises in violation of this Section...The erection, including excavation, demolition, alteration, or repair of any building in residential districts, other than between the hours of 7:00am and 6:00pm except in case of urgent necessity in the interest of the public welfare and safety, and then only with a permit issued by the City."

The limits of the Blossom Gulch & S 10th Street Sanitary Sewer Improvement project are from Elrod Avenue to Anderson Avenue adjacent to Blossom Gulch Elementary School. During a normal school day there are parents and busses dropping off students before 8:00am and from 2:30pm on. It is very congested in this area in the morning and afternoon and if construction is being performed it would cause safety concerns along with significant delays with respect to the school traffic. After September 5, 2016 the School District is requesting night work for safety reasons. In all likelihood construction will be completed prior to September 5, 2016; however, if the project is extended past this date it is anticipated the night work will be completed on or before September 23, 2016.

Residences impacted by the night work have been sent letters advising of the work and that Council will be considering this issue tonight. A copy of the letter sent to residences is attached.

ADVANTAGES:

Night work will reduce congestion and minimize safety concerns with all the traffic and pedestrians.

DISADVANTAGES:

The disadvantage would be the construction activity occurring after normal working hours. If approved, staff will canvas immediate areas, send out a Public Service Announcement and send letters notifying them of the impacts caused by the night work.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

None.

ACTION REQUESTED:

If it pleases the City Council, allow the contractor that is awarded the bid for Blossom Gulch & S 10th Street to work nights starting September 6, 2016 during the hours of 4:00pm through 6:00am to a maximum date of September 23, 2016.

ATTACHMENTS

Copy of letter sent to residents



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June 21, 2016

Subject: Construction of Sanitary Sewer Line along S. 10th Street and Night Work

Dear Property Owner/Resident,

The City of Coos Bay will be replacing the sanitary sewer line located along S. 10th Street between Anderson Avenue and Elrod Avenue. Because this project is located adjacent to Blossom Gulch Elementary School it must be constructed during the summer days and potentially nights when school is in session.

During a normal school day there are parents and busses dropping off students before 8:00am and from 2:30pm on. As you may know, It is very congested in this area in the morning and afternoon and if construction is being performed it would cause safety concerns along with significant delays with respect to the school traffic. After September 5, 2016 the School District is requesting night work for safety reasons. In all likelihood construction will be completed prior to September 5, 2016; however, if the project is extended past this date it will be necessary to complete the project at night. If this night work is necessary it starts September 6, 2016 and will not extend past September 23, 2016.

The City understands that with this construction, there may be some inconvenience and understands that night work is not ideal. However, the City is dealing with an aging system and needs to construct this project before further damage occurs to the streets, other utilities and sidewalks while minimizing impacts to the school. The approval for night work will be going to council at 7:00pm on July 5, 2016 and you are more than welcome to appear for public comment. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments the City would very much like to coordinate with you. Please contact me at 541-269-1181 ext. 2221 or email jspann@coosbay.org, before July 1st, 2016.

Thank you in advance for your patience as we work diligently to complete this project in an efficient manner. It is anticipated that construction could begin as early as July 2016. Once a construction schedule has been set another letter will be sent out to notifying you of the specific dates.

Sincerely,

Jessica Spann (Engineering Service Coordinator)