

**City of Lowell, Oregon**  
**Minutes of the City Council Work Session**  
**October 1, 2019**  
**Maggie Osgood Library**

The Work Session was called to order at 7:06 PM by Mayor Bennett.

**Members Present:** Mayor Don Bennett, Gail Harris, Patricia Angelini, Tim Stratis, Samantha Dragt

**Staff Present:** Matt Wadlington - City Engineer, Max Baker - Public Works Director, CA Cobb


**Work Session Topic(s)**

1. **Advanced Metering Infrastructure** – CA introduced topic, provided a slide presentation, giving an overview of existing system, provided financial justification, explained advantages and disadvantages for new systems, and listed the benefits for the city. Max provided information from Public Works perspective and much discussion followed with many questions from council.
2. **Resolution 728 – Employee Compensation Adjustments** - CA presented information on the new employee’s 6 month review, local area wage compensation comparison and request for wage adjustment.
3. **Informal Solicitation – Tree Removal and Disposal Service** – CA stated only one proposal was received at deadline for the Railroad Corridor Trail and wants to get more. He continues to work with FEMA in regards to the winter snow storm and paperwork continues to grow as a result.
4. **Informal Solicitation – Landscape Architecture Services** – CA stated two proposals were received for the Rolling Rock Park and Cannon Street landscape architecture services. We have dealt with one contractor in the past, pricing had significant differences, and it’s questionable if one had complete understanding of the project. Discussion followed. Focus was on irrigation, turf and trees in this phase.
5. **FY 2019/20 Capital Improvement Plan** - CA provided a copy of the CIP for review.

**Adjourn: 8:55 PM**

Approved:   
Don Bennett, Mayor

10-15-19  
Date

Attest:   
Jared Cobb, City Recorder

10/15/19  
Date