DPW/ACEC COMMITTEE MEETING
June 22, 2023 @ 3:30 pm EST
The Dugout Bar & Grill - Indy
621 Virginia Avenue, Indianapolis

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2. Handouts
   • Agenda and Sign in Sheet

3. Meeting Sponsors CTL, VS Engineering, & Corradino

4. Welcome all DPW Attendees and any committee subs!
   a. This is the last meeting of the year.

5. Introductions (Name, Company, & Subcommittee)

6. After today’s meeting, Chris Miller will transfer to the new chair. Over the next couple of weeks pole will be sent out to
choose subcommittees for upcoming season.

7. DPW Program Updates – Nathan, Jayson, Ericka, John, Shannon, Brandon
   a. Updates on bid pricing & impacts to schedules
      i. Previously discussed 10 to 20 percent bid increases; Trend Continuing?
         • Jason Watt: Bids are volatile now. Paving bids seem to be coming in well; typically, below engineers estimates and competitive. Specialty work is typically having less bidders and high costs above engineers’ estimates. Overall, a good mix however there have been some bids that came in too high to be awarded. DPW has broken up some of the residential street reconstructions. Have been bidding well this way. Seeing a shortage of labor for stormwater installation, less of that skillset in the industry. Have tried to accelerate some projects but have been told that contractors did not have staff to do so. There may be better chance to bid this fall when some contractors have indicated that they have some work dropping off by that point. Doing some partnering with CEG to look at complete streets and get some work done in advance of roadway work commencing.
      ii. Consultants have been seeing Road projects bidding under Engineers Estimates
      iii. Bids coming in Under Engineers Estimate could be directly related to INDOT average Unit Price Adjustments. DPW bid history is now available to designers which is helping with estimating along with INDOT bid histories.
      iv. Bridges still seem to be an issue.
      v. Storm Water Structures and Pipe still coming in higher than normal.
      vi. Have seen contractors that install culverts doing their own paving. Also see some contractors that perform concrete work such as sidewalk and curb ramps wanting to utilize field mixers.
   b. DPW Staff updates
      i. Safety Engineer: Per Nathan Sheets, they have hired someone to fill this position. Jason Bowers who started at DPW the first of the month.
      ii. Natalie Stevens has been hired to into Shannon Killion’s department.
      iii. Bill Kincius has moved to a new position. Tess Modella has been promoted into Bill’s position. Forestry inspector position to be opened now. Also, to have a project manager position open in Shannon’s area.
      iv. Program Manager(s)
      v. Updated Organization Chart to be sent by Ericka Miller for distribution to members of this committee.
      vi. Ben Weber promoted to senior project manager position.
      vii. Looking for participation in new committees from consultants.
      viii. Sam Ryan hired full time to be a project manager.
      ix. Alena Jones has accepted another position. Want prompt submittal of SWPPPs so that she can review before she moves onto her new position.
   c. Expected RFQ’s/RFP’s and other professional service’s needs.
      i. June RFP release due, June 23rd.
      ii. Anticipated Next round of Projects/RFQ will come out on September 1st.
      iii. Will DPW continue utilizing Alternative funding opportunities like BOT’s?
         • The first BOT RFP put out was a street rehab on the northwest side. BOT has been made available to use for streets and bridges last year. DPW has not done it before so wanted
to start simply. Project was awarded to Avenue who has Milestone and Crossroads on their team.

- Working to see if they can gain some efficiencies. Most projects will continue to be developed as they have been.
- Over this year and the next 4 years DPW does have a budget to try some BOT projects.
- White River Innovation District project has been put out as BOT. large project with several partners. The IDC is building some infrastructure and so is DPW. DPW has commitments to Elanco. Given the timeline and complexity DPW felt that putting it out as a BOT may help. They are not using much of the operate portion of that project. We’re looking for guaranteed pricing and schedule innovation. WSP and Lochmueller are doing design for this project and will be the designing firms of record. DPW has learned that there was a lot of confusion on the amount of design required for this project. DPW will work on being more detailed in this in the future. Garmong, Superior, and Milestone will be the team.

d. Urban Forestry & Land Stewardship updates

e. Other

8. 2022-2023 Subcommittees
   a. **Designer Training Subcommittee**
      i. 2022-2023 Chair – Matt Larrabee
      ii. DPW Representatives Ericka Miller and John Bowen
      iii. Scheduled for August 31st @ Crane Bay 8:30 am to 4:00 pm
      iv. Registration will be available online.
      v. Final Agenda topics will be established by End of June. Working with DPW to finalize presenters for that. Will be comprised of both DPW and consultant staff.
      vi. Consultant presenters will still need to register.
      vii. Presentations to be populated to the OneDrive by August 17th. presentations will be due in advance of this date.

   b. **RPR Workshop Subcommittee**
      i. 2022-2023 Chair - Kevin Goldner
      ii. DPW Representatives – Jayson Watt
      iii. Would like other Feedback, comments regarding the last workshop to implement into future one. Feel free to provide to any members of the committee.
      iv. Future Speaker Topics recommendations being accepted.
      v. Not much to be updated at this time.

   c. **Contractor Virtual Workshop Exploratory Committee**
      i. 2022-2023 Chair - Haseeb Ghumman
      ii. DPW Representative – Jayson Watt
      iii. Will be Contractors, DPW and Committee members. Will work with ICI.
      iv. Subcommittee Potential Topics

   d. **Standards (Processes) Subcommittee**
      i. 2022-2023 Chair - Mike Maurovich
      ii. DPW Representative – Ericka Miller and John Bowen
iii. Subcommittee has held (4) meetings.
iv. Keeping DPW updated on new releases.
v. NEPA vs. SEPA and process through the IMPO Federal Exchange Program
   • Presented Lunch & Learn at DPW about SEPA Process & Construction changes.
   • Discuss further clarification on SEPA and Guidance for city PM’s to review. Separate out specifications. There is a guidance document now, but the SEPA portion is very general. INDOT does have their own guidance document; available on INDOT website.
   • Per Ericka, a lot of their PMs require more guidance on SEPA. Maybe in advance of doing the next training we should solicit questions to get to Mike Maurovich from project managers. INDOT used to do certain items for DPW that they will not do anymore. Ericka would like refresher on this.
vi. Continue to gather information.
vii. Present INDOT Spec updates in separate presentation (Possibly second Lunch & Learn with the 2023/2024 subcommittee

e. Standards Updates Subcommittee
i. 2022-2023 Chair - Randy Sanford
ii. DPW Representative – John Bowen & Shannon Killion
iii. Storm Water Manual changes
   • Recommended Changes were presented and approved.
   • Updated manual on the website. Currently taking a wholesale look at the manual. Looking at other changes to make that can make the manual more user friendly with new MSDS requirements coming out next year.
   • Would like feedback on how DPW manual compares to others.
   • Push for incorporation of green infrastructure approach
   • Looking at things internally on how to manage stormwater and right-of-way. Putting together guidance documents
iv. Chris Miller and Dave Henkel attended the April 12 BOW meeting. ACEC provided support for approval of the proposed changes and updates.
v. Reach out to make sure you get input from stormwater team to identify process followed to attempt to comply with regulations for stormwater even if it is not a stormwater project. Stormwater team member can also help facilitate conversations with Citizens for connecting into combined systems. Need to identify any concerns Citizens may have or that DNR may have to know we are receiving the same input across the board. Want to have the same or similar conversations with these groups.
vi. DPW is a phase 1 permit and INDOT is a phase 2. Need to cater how projects are designed for different clients with phase 1 or phase 2 permits.
vii. Currently working on next subcommittee meeting agenda.
   • Bi-annual updates
     • Previously Discussed Annual Update opposed to Bi-Annual
     • Development of a PM Manual

9. Chris Miller asked if Transportation Standards needs review. Does this need its own subcommittee or can review of these items be incorporated into another subcommittee. Some potential changes are needed, per Nathan Sheets, it may not be a stand-alone committee. Chris can talk about this more with the incoming committee members. Nathan noted there are some issues with conflicting information with subdivisions being built that do not match DPW standards. Having some meetings to discuss these conflicts and get them adjusted.

10. Misc. Items:
    Legislation update – Beth Bauer
    • Road funding task force will start meeting again in July. They will meet until January when they
develop a report of recommendations. Generate ideas for funding.

- INDOT commissioner talked to ACEC about urban versus rural issues. General assembly approves something than INDOT can carry it out. Will be looking at tolling as well.
- Updates will be available on website.
- Drainage task force for flood plain mapping. Within a few years will get onto more advanced technology. will be update from DNR on flood plain mapping.
- Incoming committee chair is Rachel Wilson. Beth will be meeting with her next week.

b. Dave Henkel – ACEC Board updates
   - DPW Email concerning the “Consultant Contract Rates for PSA Contracts: Design, Inspection and Studies” Dates January 21, 2021
     - ACEC to discuss internally with newly appointed 2023-2024 Board and help move this forward. Liaison will be Adam Burns with CMT. Subcommittee possibly made of Managing Partners or members that work/contract directly with DPW.
     - Will be looking at information for adjustments to wage rates. The incoming Board of Directors and Adam Burns will take on establishing a subcommittee for review of rates for adjustments.

c. Meeting Date – New Chair will Establish Next Meeting Date with DPW at 3:30pm

d. Closing comments
   • Thank you all for a great Joint Committee year! We made a lot of progress on multiple topics. I really enjoyed being the Chair, and I wish you all the best. I look forward to serving with you in the future, and to support Rachel as she helps to lead the committee into 2024 – Chris Miller

2023 SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS

Designer Training/Workshop
Zach Bishton, *(Chair) Matt Larrabee*, Cassie Reiter, Sam Robertson

RPR Training/Workshop
Steve Chastain, *(Chair) Kevin Goldner*, Rich McPhail, Sanjay Patel, Melissa Walker

Contractor Workshop (Exploratory)
Jesse Combs, *(Chair) Haseeb Ghumman*, Aaron Kitchens, Cory Mahan

Standards Changes & Updates
Jason Deering, Ian Lesko, Jeff Matern, *(Chair) Mike Maurovich*

Current Standards
Michael Farmer, Rachael Wilson, *(Chair) Randy Sanford*, Stacey Paul