

UTILITY COMMITTEE
February 1, 2021

PRESENT: Chairperson Turchi, Members Hegy, Sikora, Carroll

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Utilities Brian Rhodes

Call to Order – Chairperson Turchi called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Common Council Chambers of Hartford City Hall, 109 North Main Street.

Public Comment Period – None.

Electric Service Interruptions and Water Main Breaks – Director of Utilities Rhodes provided information on the electric service interruptions. Two outages occurred on January 16th. The first affected about 20 customers on the 400 block of W. Washington where an overhead primary wire burnt out, the crew made necessary repairs. The second outage affected about 32 customers on the 300 block of Monroe Avenue. A primary underground cable faulted and the line crew was able to splice the wire and restore power. The final outage occurred February 1 on the 200 block of West Sumner Street affecting about 20 customers. The line crew replaced a transformer fuse that had failed.

There was a water main break on January 10 at the intersection of Fairview and Cedar St. The break was on a 6 inch water main, repaired that same day, affected 30 customers. That water main is not currently on the CIP, Rhodes intends to put it on the 2026 CIP due to several breaks occurring in that area.

Discussion and Consideration of Purchasing Street Light Pole and Fixtures – Two of the decorative light poles needed to be replaced this year on Main Street due to traffic accidents. Based on current inventory levels, it is recommended to purchase 6 decorative street lights and fixtures from Spectrum Lighting and Controls not to exceed \$23,454. It was decided in 2000 that all light poles match down Main Street, which were originally purchased from Spectrum Lighting and Controls. Director of Utilities Rhodes responded to questions about the purchase.

MOTION by Alderperson Hegy, and seconded by Alderperson Sikora recommending the purchase of 6 decorative street lights and fixtures from Spectrum Lighting and Controls not to exceed \$23,454. MOTION CARRIED.

Adjournment – MOTION by Alderperson Hegy, and seconded by Alderperson Sikora for adjournment. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Hetzel, City Clerk

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