City of Lake Oswego/City of Tigard Water Supply Partnership
Summary of Oversight Committee Meeting #48
Meeting held
July 13, 2015

Present:
City of Lake Oswego: Oversight Committee: Mayor Studebaker, Councilor Bowerman
Staff: Joel Komarek, Dave Prock, Kari Duncan, Katy Fulton, Jordan Imlah, Susie Shinn
Other: Scott Lazenby, David Powell, Jackie Manz
City of Tigard: Oversight Committee: Mayor Cook, Councilor Snider
Staff: Dennis Koellermeier
Other: Marty Wine
Brown and Caldwell: Jon Holland, Mike Prett, Tom Lebo
Cable Huston: Clark Balfour, Kevin Kiely
Kennedy Jenks: Brad Moore

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Oversight Committee Chair Mayor Studebaker called the meeting of the Lake Oswego/Tigard Water Partnership Oversight Committee to order at 5:30 p.m. on July 13, 2015, at the West End Building, Oswego conference room, 4101 Kruse Way, Lake Oswego OR 97035.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Studebaker asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the May 11, 2015 meeting. Mayor Cook motioned to approve, Councilor Bowerman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments.

4. OLD BUSINESS

4.1 – Follow up on gaging station discussion

Mr. Komarek referenced the handout in the meeting packet. He reported that the gaging station is owned and maintained by United States Geological Survey (USGS) and is located at the south fork water board intake which is about a mile upstream from the Lake Oswego Tigard intake. Mr. Komarek stated that meetings were held with USGS staff responsible for operating and maintaining the gaging equipment. There are two instruments at the south fork intake facility which work redundantly together, a flow transmitter and a submerged pressure transducer, which provide
information on stream levels and flows. That information is logged automatically in a data logger sent via Centurylink telephone line to the USGS. That information is made available on a daily basis to the public. He added that he can view the data from his computer. The instruments are checked every six weeks and replacements are on hand, if necessary. Mr. Komarek noted that there are some data gaps and has asked USGS staff to research why these gaps occurred and why they weren’t addressed/investigated in a more timely manner. There was a 30 day data gap period five years ago. Another meeting will be held to discuss USGS’ findings and what can be done to mitigate data gaps in the future. Mr. Komarek continued that the Partnership is proceeding ahead with USGS to establish a protocol to make the required calculations at the appropriate time to determine if reduced diversions need to occur. Councilor Snider asked if this investigation was valuable. Mr. Komarek said it had been very valuable and has initiated further conversations for developing a protocol for gathering data from USGS website to help the water treatment plant operationally. Mayor Studebaker asked Kari Duncan if she is using this information now. Ms. Duncan affirmed that her staff has been using this information for years for a variety of parameters. Councilor Bowerman asked what other measurements besides flow are monitored. Ms. Duncan replied that temperature, dissolved oxygen, turbidity, and the presence of algal toxins are examples of what can be monitored. Councilor Bowerman asked where these measurements are recorded and what is their availability? Ms. Duncan replied that the monitoring instruments are located at the south fork water board intake facility, the Carver Bridge, and in Estacada. The data is housed on the USGS website.

4.2 – Mapleton Drive open-cut neighbor guidelines:

At the previous Oversight Committee meeting, committee members requested to see the Mapleton Drive pipeline neighbor guidelines which were distributed to all residents along Mapleton. Mr. Komarek explained that the guidelines were developed through a series of meetings with staff and Robinwood neighborhood representatives. Ms. Fulton explained that the guidelines document was distributed via US mail with a cover letter, as part of the conditions of approval requiring two week and 48 hour notification to the neighborhood of work beginning. She also noted that they were included as part of a door-hanger 48 hours prior to work beginning. The guidelines are available on the project website and a link is provided in all construction update emails that are sent out. Hard copies are also available at all neighborhood construction update meetings. Mayor Studebaker asked if there had been any feedback from neighbors. Ms. Fulton replied that there had not but it has proven to be a good reference when people have questions about construction activities. Mayor Studebaker asked how many neighborhood construction update meetings are being held each month and if the same people attend. Ms. Fulton replied that meetings are being held twice a month and that there were two new attendees at the most recent meeting but they hadn’t attended the meet the contractor meeting. She continued that generally there are 4 to 6 attendees and recently, Councilor Perry has been attending. Councilor Snider asked if the tone of the meetings had changed. Ms. Fulton replied that it’s about the same.
5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 – Metrics Report

Mike Prett reviewed the metrics report and noted that approximately $189M has been spent, about 75% of the program budget. He continued that there hasn’t been any change in schedule since the last report and noted that all construction projects will be complete within the next six months except the water treatment plant and schedule 4 pipeline.

5.2 – Program baseline budget forecast update

Mr. Prett explained that the overall budget estimate remains unchanged. There have been underruns in city personnel costs and overages in right of way and legal costs. There is also an overage for extended construction management services at the water treatment plant. Sponsor Contingency is at $1.5M. Mr. Prett noted that construction contingency had decreased from $5.5M to $4.5M, mainly due to flagging cost increases. Councilor Snider asked if pipeline work is where the flagging increases are occurring. Jon Holland reviewed that schedule 5 is B Avenue at State Street to Waluga Reservoir, schedule 1 is in Gladstone, and schedule 3B is Highway 43 and Laurel & Erickson Streets in Lake Oswego, and schedule 3A is Mapleton Drive in West Linn. He continued that during schedule 5 construction and after schedule 3 had gone out for bid, it was discovered that the designer may have underestimated flagging needs. The contractor is responsible for enforcing a safe work zone so increasing the flagging effort was necessary to do so. Councilor Snider asked for clarification that the contractor bid is based on what the bid documents estimate. Mr. Holland affirmed and explained that for schedule 5 and schedule 3 the designer made an estimate of flagging quantities, but for schedule 4, the bid item was lump sum.

Mayor Studebaker asked if the assumption was that the $4.4M construction contingency would be spent. Mr. Prett responded that the contingency started at $8.4M and $4M of that has been spent or is projected to be spent, leaving the $4.4M for the rest of the program and items that may or may not be coming up. Mr. Prett continued that the original contingency amounts were 5% of the estimated overall construction costs and at this point with $72M budget remaining to be spent, of which $55M is for construction, the current contingency is at 8 – 10% of remaining costs.

Mt. Prett turned attention to the risk register. He pointed out the following items which are currently funded: water treatment plant extended duration increased costs for construction manager and inspection services; flagging costs for pipelines are higher than anticipated. Items of note not currently funded are acquisition costs for a disputed easement for pipeline construction, and potential litigation relating to the water treatment plant delay. The final risk register item noted was West Linn researching the possibility of retroactively imposing any land use requirements or restrictions regarding the water treatment plant construction schedule delay.

Councilor Snider asked if the contractor is staying on schedule at the water treatment plant. Mr. Lebo responded that the contractor is staying on their recovery schedule.

Mayor Studebaker asked if there had been any publicity in the West Linn Tidings about Lake Oswego providing water to West Linn recently while a main break was repaired. Ms. Fulton replied
that information was included in the weekly West Linn email update and that she would reach out to the Tidings to see about an article.

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION, under authority of ORS 192.660(2)(h) to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed; and under authority of ORS 192.660(2)(f) to consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection.

7. The next Oversight Committee Meeting will be held September 14, 2015, in the Oswego Room at the West End Building / Yakima Products, 4101 Kruse Way, Lake Oswego.

8. ADJOURN

Chair Mayor Studebaker adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Susie Shinn, Administrative Assistant

Approved by the Oversight Committee:

On September 14, 2015___________________________