

**Hillsboro City Council Meeting**  
**“Public Hearing”**  
**September 13, 2022**

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 pm.

Roll call was taken and those present were Mayor Downs and Commissioners Wright and Gregory.

The “Pledge of Allegiance” was recited.

There were no public comments.

Commissioner Butler arrived at 6:51 pm.

City Engineer Jeremy Connor started discussion by informing the Council the public hearing was called to discuss the ITEP- Cycle 15 grant the City will be submitting. Connor said the grant will be for sidewalks along Seymour Ave. and parts of Mechanic St. which will provide connectivity for pedestrians and improve ADA compliance. Connor said there are some drainage improvements on Seymour that will go with the project. Connor said the project will allow connectivity to other schools, along with businesses such as grocery stores.

Community Planner Sarah McConnell said everyone know there are pedestrian issues in the area with the school and McConnell said it will provide safety for pedestrians and cyclists in the area. McConnell said it will connect to an area on Mechanic St. that has already been finished and the more connectivity you can show the better the grant will score. McConnell said they can show connectivity with project all the way to downtown and some future trails.

Commissioner Wright asked if a water line would be in the way if the sidewalk was put in and she was told by Connor that the main would not be under the new sidewalk. McConnell said the project will complete a nice big square that will connect everything. Connor said once the grant is approved you could accelerate the water line replacement in the area if needed. Mayor Downs said there are no sidewalks in the area so it would really help the school and kids in the area. Mayor Downs said when the City had the hydraulic study done that whole area needed water lines replaced to improve the area. Connor said if we know the area the City can always plan ahead for the water lines.

**Motion to Adjourn was made at 6:57 pm by Commissioner Wright** and seconded by Commissioner Gregory. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cory M. Davidson, City Clerk