

JUNE 16, 1986 - 7:00 P.M. GORDON COUNTY COURTROOM BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC HEARING WITH MAYOR JOHN D. MEADOWS, III, COMMISSION CHAIRMAN HAROLD FAITH, MAYOR PRO-TEM KING, ALDERMAN BOND, ALDERMAN OLDFIELD, ALDERMAN MCENTIRE, COMMISSIONERS HOPPER, HOLCOMB, SCOTT, GREESON, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR EDDIE PETERSON, CITY SUPERINTENDENT JAMES HOBGOOD, COUNTY CLERK TERESA MCDEARIS, CITY CLERK CATHY HARRISON AND ENGINEER JOHN SWEITZER WERE IN ATTENDANCE.

1. Mayor Meadows opened the hearing and stated the City and County were fortunate in obtaining the \$400,000.00 block grant to install sewer in the Fox Subdivision area. He stated this was the second phase of the total project, the first having been completed in June, 1985.
2. Commission Chairman Faith stated this phase of the project would cover part of the area east of Peters Street and there was definitely a need for the service.
3. Engineer John Sweitzer stated it was his pleasure to be able to work on the second phase since he had worked on phase one. He stated the grant was for \$400,000.00 from the Federal Government coming through the State Dept. of Community Affairs. He stated according to surveys the project would benefit 64.4% of low/moderate income families. He further stated the City of Calhoun would act as lead agent and records would be maintained at City Hall and would be available for the general public to review during normal business hours.

He stated the time table would be similar for phase one.

Engineering Authorized	5/30/86
Public Hearing	6/16/86
Plans & Specs. to EPD	8/1/86
Bid Opening	8/28/86
Notice of Award	9/8/86
Notice to Proceed	9/30/86
Pre Construction Conference	10/7/86
Start Construction	10/13/86
Substantial Completion	5/1/87
Project Close Out	6/30/87

Customer taps would be free to those residents in the area provided they sign up prior to the beginning of construction.

Monthly charges for the sewer service would be the City's normal outside sewer rates in effect at the time the project is completed.

Engineer Sweitzer stated there would be no displacement of persons required for the project.

He stated the funds would be spent primarily for construction, with very little for administration, only audit funds. The breakdown by activity being:

\$375,965.00	Construction	#A-3j-P
2,500.00	Administration	#A-16
21,535.00	Contingency	#A-17

He stated the City would also improve the existing water lines in the area and the County would pave the streets when the project was complete and settled.

Engineer Sweitzer displayed a map of the area specified as Phase II. (North east part of Peters Street, Ga. Drive, Jeep Street, Circle Drive, Linda Lane, East May to Hazel, Erwin Street to 41 and Jones Street.)

Engineer Sweitzer stated the project includes running 4" service laterals to each house. He stated the fact the streets would be torn up during construction would be the biggest disadvantage. He stated he would work with the contractor in minimizing the inconvenience as much as possible.

Harold Stamey, a resident, asked how residents of the area could assist with the project?

Engineer Sweitzer stated they could be of great benefit in the procurement of the easements which would be needed for the project.

A citizen asked if the project completion would mean the property would be in the City?

Engineer Sweitzer stated no, it would not, but the citizens would become sewer customers for the City in the same manner they are presently water customers.

City Supt. Hobgood stated that over the past 7 or 8 years several requests had been made for sewerage on Erwin Street and Circle Drive but the residents were not able to afford the cost on a private basis. This grant will definitely be a benefit for the area.

There were no further comments and the hearing was closed.

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