

Judge Doyle Garage:

The Common Council approved a resolution ([Legistar File #53580](#)) on November 20th, authorizing the City to advertise and receive bids for the above-grade “podium”. It is expected to be issued for bid on December 10th, with bids due January 24, 2019. At the November 20th Common Council Meeting, the substitute resolution ([Legistar File #53530](#)) to amend the development agreement with Beitler Real Estate was moved for reconsideration and referral to the January 8, 2019 Common Council Meeting. While there are various legal considerations related to amending the development agreement, the construction and timeline for completion of the public parking garage and podium are not impacted, and construction will continue as planned.

State Street Campus Garage Safety/Security

Over the past year, the Parking Division, in collaboration with MPD, implemented a number of changes to address and improve safety at this facility. Changes include the installation of additional cameras, an ordinance change prohibiting weapons in City parking structures, which was adopted late 2017, construction of the Frances electrical and lighting upgrade project was moved up to 2018 from 2019 to provide better and brighter lighting quality with the replacement of fixtures with LED lighting, and additional fixtures were added to Hawthorne Court and exterior walkways, and implementation of a late night Pay-on-Entry to improve egress at the bar-time rush and discourage “cruising” in and out of the garage during the entry grace period. Traffic Engineering recently replaced high pressure sodium street lighting with LED lighting on the adjacent blocks on State Street, Lake, University, and Frances. MPD also has presence in the area, and officers perform occasional drive-thrus and walk-thrus of the garage, as well as coordinate the closure of Frances Street with the start of the late night Pay-On-Entry fee. The Parking Utility also contracts with a private security firm to provide security at parking facilities.

Despite these efforts, and even with a high police presence in the area for the Freakfest event, there was a fatal shooting in the garage that occurred toward the end of the Freakfest event in late October. To further address ongoing concerns related to safety, MPD will be spearheading meetings with the Parking Division to discuss options and strategies for next year, performing a site safety and security evaluation, and Parking Utility is reviewing scenario training options for staff.

IPS Smart Meters

The contract document is expected to be finalized this week and begin routing for signatures. A purchase order for the meters is expected to be issued by the end of the year, and delivery and installation will take place four to six weeks from the order date.