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TO: City Commission
FROM: David Dillner, City Manager
SUBJ: Weekly Report
DATE: March 22, 2024

Items of Note:

- The scoreboard at McDonald Stadium has been installed. Baseball fans attending games will appreciate the left field location as it will be easier to read in the early innings of evening games.
- The City is working with HF Sinclair to get an easement issue resolved for the Constant Creek Sewer Inceptor Project. The City will commence the archaeology investigation on the property once the easement is secured.
- Ashlyn has received a copy of the old contract with Wholesale District 8 along with comments for changes. She will begin working on the new contract draft for all districts and we will give it to them for review.
- The base station for the automated meter system was installed this week. The City will begin to install the pilot meters so system testing may begin.
- The Lead Service Line Inventory continues to make progress with a documented completion rate of nearly 50% of account addresses. The department has until October 2024 to complete the inventory.
- The backwash tower inspection revealed some damage that needs addressed. The Utilities Department is waiting for the full report before planning the next steps.
- Flock camera technicians were in town installing the remaining five cameras. There was a delay in the installation of these five cameras because of back orders on specific parts needed to affix the cameras to our traffic signals. Once these cameras are installed, it is anticipated that we will start seeing an increase in activities because of locations and the volume of traffic.
- Seasonal staff orientation meetings started and will continue for the next three weeks. This is the opportunity for seasonal staff to complete their hiring requirements and to begin to learn more about the policies and procedures for their respective positions.
- The City has taken possession of the concession/restroom facilities at Central and East Parks. The contractor will finish wrapping both buildings with the City logo when the design is approved, and the weather cooperates. The City started receiving delivery of some of the appliances that were ordered for the concession areas.
- Parks Division staff started clearing flower beds of leaves and debris and replacing mulch in areas. The W. Central Avenue median has been completed and they are moving on to other facilities over the next few weeks. Mowing has started in some areas where we have seen some early growth. The Parks Division anticipates delivery of a large load of mulch late this week or early next week for use in our flower beds and playgrounds.

- Recreation Division staff has been applying chemical applications to ballfields and cemeteries as the wind has allowed. These applications have a tremendous positive impact on the look and condition of our grounds.
- Recreation staff has also been making changes to our baseball backstops from the “net and wood” configuration to a “net and pad” system. These improvements are a part of the ballfield improvement project.
- The City will partner with Butler Community College on the cost of updating the sound system at McDonald. The City’s cost for its share of the project comes to about \$7,200. The project will update the existing sound system and make it easier for the various entities who use the stadium to access the sound system.
- A revised term sheet for the BG Stadium financing has been distributed to the entities and Ray Connell, who serves as the EFABC’s legal counsel. The City’s bond counsel will draft an authorizing resolution and interlocal agreements for the three entities’ governing bodies to review and consider prior to the issuance of general obligations bonds by the City.
- Staff submitted forty-four capital projects requests totaling an estimated \$44 million for the next five years. The capital improvement program will be brought to the City Commission for review in May.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** The Mural Plaza ribbon cutting has been scheduled for May 2.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** Coffee with a Cop is scheduled for May 14 at 7:00 pm at the Elk’s Club, 121 E. Pine Avenue.

City Manager’s Priorities:

1. Housing Work Plan
2. Economic Development Work Plan
3. Quality of Life Work Plan

Upcoming Milestones/Deadlines:

- **March** – Transportation Master Plan Public Engagement Phase Ends
- **April** – Completion of East Park Concession/Restroom Facility
- **April 1** – Central Avenue Project Contract Approval
- **May 6** – Constant Creek Sewer Interceptor Project Contract Approval
- **May 15** – Turf and track replacement at BG Stadium begins.
- **August** – Transportation Master Plan Completion

Personnel Update:

- *Vacant, advertised positions:* Public Works Maintenance Worker (6), Patrol Officers (1), Management Internship, Detective, Wastewater Plan Operator
- The firefighter position closed and interviews will happen soon.
- On March 15, Officers Kamaris Dickson and Kody Marvin graduated from the Kansas Law Enforcement Training Center. Officer Marvin was the Class President and delivered

a speech at the graduation ceremony. Officers Dickson and Marvin have started their 14-week field training.

- Officer Isaac Forster was scheduled to complete field training this week at which time he will be released on his own.
- Two applicants were scheduled for testing and interviews Thursday. Both were no call no shows.
- The applicant for the open detective position was scheduled to test and interview Friday. He contacted the department stating that he was unable to attend due to an injury. He still has an interest in the position.

Commission Calendar: *Upcoming City Commission Items (subject to change):*

- **April 1 Regular Meeting** – Fee Schedule Ordinance and Resolution; Street Cut Ordinance; Excess Sales Tax Projects
- **April 10 Work Session**- Civic Center Disposition, RHID Policy, Quail Ordinance; Stadium Financing; Public Comment Policy
- **April 15 Regular Meeting** – El Dorado Inc. Quarterly Report; Public Hearing for 1000 Blk of W. Locust (sewer); Public Hearing for 119 W. Ash (concrete); Public Hearing for Adlesperger-Smith Infrastructure (sewer); Public Hearing for Adlesperger-Smith Infrastructure (street); Stadium Authorizing Resolution & Interlocal Agreement; Central Avenue Improvement Project Bids
- **May 1 Work Session** - Central Avenue Project Overview; CIP Final Review; Economic Development Work Plan