

# EL DORADO

## KANSAS

TO: City Commission  
FROM: Tabitha Sharp, Assistant City Manager  
SUBJ: Weekly Report  
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### **Operational Updates:**

- The HVAC system at the new Central Park concessions was repaired this week, our workers and our concession supplies are all cooling off.
- A large sycamore tree fell at East Park in the wind earlier this week. Due to the rain, we were unable to get equipment into the park that day but are working to get it removed now.
- Recreation and Cemetery staff completed installation of the field signs on the scoreboards at Central and East Park.
- We believe lightning may have been the cause of the pump motor issues at the pool this week. Bill's Electric and Recreation staff worked together to repair the problem and were able to keep the pool up and running.
- The pool will be closed on Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, due to a shortage of lifeguards.
- Cameron Day began his 14-week journey at KLETC this week. Once he completes academy and his 14-week field training, he will be released to patrol on his own.
- The Police Department assisted the Sheriff's Department yesterday, a vehicle chase that began on HWY 400, took a turn on HWY 54 to El Dorado. Officers began diverting traffic on South Main Street, but prior to entering the city, the vehicle turned and fled south. Our officers were not engaged in the pursuit.
- Police responded to 186 calls for service this week, 50 of which were criminal cases worked by officers.
- Jason and Scott continued to work with Nowak and Garver on the Constant Creek Sanitary Sewer Interceptor project. Nowak is sending over some new pricing for the modifications and then we will work with Garver on where to go from there.
- In after action reviews of the many leaks that happened on Saturday/Sunday, staff have identified some areas of improvement in the limits currently provided by our software. Pedrotti, the software provider we use at the plants, will be coming to look at the Treatment Plant to see if they can improve some of those processes.
- The IT staff have brought in a new company to repair the recording issues in the Commission Room. The last meeting was recorded without issue, and staff will continue to work with them to prevent further problems.
- It is breeding season for dogs; therefore, the animal shelter has filled up with unwanted puppies. This is true for all shelters; we continue to encourage animal owners to spay and neuter to prevent the issue from occurring.
- Public Works staff are working to clean up the property at the shooting range to make room for the Central Ave. project debris.

- The North Main project is finishing up, striping was delayed a bit due to the rain on Wednesday.
- We unfortunately have not seen much progress on the Central Avenue project. As I said in the Commission meeting earlier this week, the contractor was delayed on several other jobs because of rain, and they are trying to complete those before diverting their attention to our project.
- The Arnold Group was here this week to begin discussions with Directors on the salary survey, they will be back next week to continue those discussions. After the second meeting, we will be able to schedule presentations with employees and the City Commission. The meetings have been very productive and positive, and I think we are going to see some really great things come from the study.
- Our headliner for GoldFest was a little overzealous and was ready to begin announcements this week, but we haven't signed a contract yet. Kate has reigned them in and we hope to be able to make the announcement after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. We don't want to overshadow the events happening that day.
- Unfortunately, the opening act we booked is not acceptable to the new headliner, we are looking at bringing that act to a separate event or to GoldFest in 2025.
- Our artists are back and working on the baseball mural at McDonald Stadium. We hope that it will be ready before the 4<sup>th</sup> so that we can incorporate it into the festivities.
- I wanted to say thank you again to all the employees and sponsors that helped with Kids Week, it was a very successful week, and we couldn't have done it without everyone's support. If you haven't already seen it, Julie put together a great video and it's available on the Experience El Dorado Facebook page.

**Upcoming Events:**

- Kansas Veterans Festival – June 21-23 at Veterans Point, El Dorado Lake
- City-wide Garage Sale Weekend – June 21-23
- El Dorado Farmer's and Art Market – June 23<sup>rd</sup>, East Park, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- SCMHC Children's Mental Health Day – June 28<sup>th</sup>, East Park, 3 – 6 p.m.
- Fireworks:
  - Can be discharged beginning:
    - June 27<sup>th</sup> - July 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.
    - July 4<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m. to Midnight
    - July 5<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.
  - We have tents located at the following addresses:
    - Wholesale Fireworks 600 N Main
    - Wholesale Fireworks 107 S Hogoboom Dr
    - Ka-Boomers 2502 W Central
    - Bellino Fireworks 700 N Main

**Personnel Update:**

- *Vacant, advertised positions:* Public Works Maintenance Worker (6), Patrol Officers (2), Public Utilities Maintenance Worker (1)

- *Vacant, not advertised:* Sanitation Leadsperson (1)
- *Position Status:*
  - Utility Cashier – Shana McCoy has accepted and will begin on June 27<sup>th</sup>.
  - Patrol Officer – The Police Department has extended two conditional offers.
  - Code Enforcement Officer – Interviews will take place July 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  - Senior Center Director – They have narrowed the field to two candidates who will participate in a second interview next week.

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

- **June 26 Work Session** – Revenue Neutral Rate; Mill Levy Funds
- **July 1 Regular Meeting** – TBD upon David’s return