



City Manager's Report

November 8, 2022

Admin: (October sales and use tax figures not yet published) Sales Tax, September: \$44,639.48. Use Tax, September: \$7,379.02. We have completed 4 months of Fiscal Year 2023, so we are 33% into our annual budget. In General Government, we have received 35.2% of expected revenues and spent 32.6% of budgeted expenses. In Public Works, we have received 36.8% of expected revenues and spent 34.7% of budgeted expenses. We are on track with our budgetary plan.

Projects: We are progressing with our water treatment plant upgrade project. The project will eliminate the clearwell and replace it with a modern inline chlorinator. The \$543k project, will be funded by a \$401k REAP grant from ACOG and the balance from ARPA funds. Myers is engineering the project and building the bid package. Myers Engineering will publicly request bids on the project which will be opened and selected by City Council at a public meeting. The bid process and all work will be administered by Myers Engineering. I will provide monthly updates on the progress of the project. We have applied for a number of infrastructure grants this season, which will address the needs identified in our Capital Improvement Plan. We are working on a \$1M grant application to be used for water and wastewater infrastructure projects including a wastewater lift station to provide sewer services to the unserved area south of Van Buren within city limits. We are also applying for an oilfield roads grant, to repair West Washington and Railroad Ave. Both streets were constructed as residential roads, not commercial roadways. As a result of the heavy vehicle traffic, they have been very difficult for us to maintain. We are passing an ordinance to adopt the State

Parks: We are waiting for concrete at the ball field in the city park. Public Works has assembled the stands and will move them into position after the concrete is poured. Park properties are winterized.

-Ryan Wallace, City Manager