

City Manager's Report

May 9, 2023

Admin: Sales Tax, March: \$44,347.81. Use Tax, March: \$10,548.09. We are 83% through Fiscal Year 2023. In General Government, we have received 95.4% of expected revenues and spent 80.4% of budgeted expenses. In Public Works, we have received 87.1% of expected revenues and spent 86.5% of budgeted expenses. We remain on track with our budgetary plan.

Projects: We are progressing with our water treatment plant upgrade project. The project will eliminate the clearwell, which would otherwise be due for an expensive rehabilitation project and replace it with a modern in-line chlorinator. The \$543k project, will be funded by a \$401k REAP (Rural Economic Action Plan) grant from ACOG (Association of Central Oklahoma Governments) and the balance from ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds. We are still waiting for DEQ to approve the permit application.

We were successful in our \$1M ARPA grant application with OWRB, to be used for wastewater infrastructure projects including a new wastewater lift station to provide sewer services to unserved areas of the city. This project will include a new lift station on the property in contract on 151 acres south of Crescent City Limits. The project engineering is paused until we close escrow on the property purchase.

We received the signed contract for our MRDAF (Municipal Road Drilling Activities Fund) Grant. The grant will provide \$500k of funding toward a \$672k project. Costal Chemical has, so far, been unwilling to participate in the project. Costal Chemical was the loudest voice requesting road improvements and their trucks have been the hardest users of the roads on W. Washington and nearby streets. The city will keep looking for participation.

The City is continuing with the purchase contract to buy 151 acres of land south of Crescent City Limits. This land, and other privately held land that will be annexed into City Limits, will represent the largest growth Crescent has seen since 1904. We expect the property to close escrow within 2 weeks.

The City submitted a grant application for a Community Economic Resiliency Initiative (CERI) grant to assist with planning efforts for the development of the new property. In preparation for the grant application, the city reached out to community members and put together a steering committee. The 8 member committee will help to ensure voices throughout the community are represented in the project development.

-Ryan Wallace, City Manager