

City Manager's Report

May 14, 2024

Admin: Sales Tax, April: \$57,665.34. Use Tax: \$10,106.49. We are 83% through Fiscal Year 2024. In General Government, we have received 96.2% of expected revenues and spent 83.1% of budgeted expenses. In Public Works, we have received 84.4% of expected revenues and spent 80.9% of budgeted expenses. We are continuing to operate within budget.

Projects: We are moving forward on our \$1M OWRB grant funded wastewater infrastructure project. The project will include a new wastewater lift station, pressure main and gravity sewer serving the south side of the city. The project engineering is complete, and the DEQ permit has been submitted for approval. Once approved, Myers engineering will administer the construction and bidding process. Based on feedback from the DEQ permitting backlog, the construction will likely start in summer 2024.

The MRDAF road project is still underway. Most paving is complete, except the paving held up by the storm drainage project. The storm drainage in the alley west of Grand between Madison and Monroe has been difficult, but PWA will prevail ultimately. The City will extend the project deadline, to prevent liquidated damages charges for the contractor, as delays were not the contractor's fault.

In February the Council voted to approve a \$259,482.89 REAP grant for rehabilitation of the elevated water tower, tonight the Council will vote to approve the contract with AGOG for receipt of funds. The project will begin after a notice to proceed is received in mid-summer.

Last week the Council met in a special session to approve application for a \$332,500 grant application to the CWSRF (Clean Water State Revolving Fund) for system engineering. We scored well on this grant application and are expected to win. More information when it becomes available.

The FY2025 budget cycle planning is complete. Tonight, the City Council will vote to approve the budget. We have provided a balanced budget that will meet the needs of the public. This fiscal cycle we will see some long-awaited projects leave the drawing board and become reality.

-Ryan Wallace, City Manager