



City of Lansing
800 First Terrace
Lansing, Kansas 66043

City Administrator's Report

March 4, 2021

Agenda Items:

Ordinance No. 1055 would rezone 00000 N Main St (aerial of property enclosed in packet) from B3 Regional Business District to R4 Multi Family Residential District. This parcel is east of Econolodge and retained its B3 zoning when the property was split. While this property does not meet the future land use plan from 2014, this property is adjacent to denser multifamily to the east and based on its proximity to K7 and other commercial businesses, staff felt this was a reasonable request. One citizen within 200' has called the Community & Economic Development Director to voice opposition, but we have not received a written letter against the request yet. This request was recommended by the Planning Commission with a 7-0 vote.

The Santa Fe Townhomes preliminary plat is also included on the agenda as an informational item. The preliminary plat has been reviewed by Public Works, Community & Economic Development, and the Wastewater Department. Please let staff know if you have any questions related to the preliminary plat.

A Flood Safety Awareness Week Proclamation is on the agenda Thursday evening.

Community & Economic Development:

Great progress is being made on the new Mutual Savings Association building on K7! The interior of the building is near completion. The contractor is currently working on the interior of the building as well as exterior masonry. Inspection services are being provided by IBTS.

Walls are being erected at the Club Carwash on Eisenhower. Evergy recently installed electrical to the site via boring under Eisenhower Road. We are hopeful for a spring opening.

We anticipate Harbor Freight to break ground later this month. All plans have been approved, and the final step is ensuring all contractors are licensed. Harbor Freight is applying for Neighborhood Revitalization, which will rebate them the value of the improvement on their property taxes over the next ten years, de-escalating each subsequent year after the first six years. We are excited to welcome this new business to Lansing!

The City is proud to welcome Clearview Imaging and Pain Group to Lansing! They are in the Eisenhower Medical Building at 1004 Progress Drive, Suite 170.

Public Works:

Design work continues on the Eisenhower/K7 intersection project. We had productive meetings with Evergy and KDOT last week to discuss the relocation of above ground power lines. Based



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on recent meetings, the plans now call for boring near TSC toward ShoeBox, placing the Everygy lines underground and cleaning up the intersection a bit. The box culvert under Eisenhower will need to be extended, which was not part of the initial engineering scope. The additional work for the box culvert adds approximately \$11,000 in engineering fees to each Lansing and Leavenworth. We are anticipating a bid date this summer, with completion currently slated for mid-2022. Since this is a project where space is at a premium, KDOT gave approval to a slight lane shift along with lane narrowing from 12' to 11'. Recent construction estimates have the project coming in around \$1.5Million. Our KDOT grant will cover 80% of the construction, with Lansing covering the remaining 2/3 and Leavenworth covering the final 1/3. There will be other costs associated with the project, including land acquisition, utility relocation, and engineering, which KDOT will not contribute.

The engineering plans for the roundabout are 98% complete, with the next steps being land acquisition and utility relocation. We originally had discussed tackling this project in 2022. In the future, we need to refine our timeline and discuss the best way to move forward funding this project.

Wastewater:

Pipe installation continues on the Ward One Sewer Project. To date, Linaweaver Construction has installed approximately 850' of new pipe and is approximately 85% complete. The project was extended north by approximately 25' to terminate the project outside of right of way. The contract allows for 75 calendar days for final completion, but recent weather delays have pushed back completion to mid-March.

The McIntyre Sewer Expansion Study was approved by the City Council at the February 18th City Council meeting. At this time, we have not decided the preferred method to serve the area. Staff is evaluating ideas and potential partnerships to design the line to ensure it is shovel ready for development along southern Lansing.

Sales Tax Update:

	2020 YTD	2021 YTD	Difference
Local Sales & Use Tax (1.45%)	\$259,891	\$272,289	\$12,398 (4.77%)
County Sales Tax	\$158,237	\$160,631	\$2,394 (1.51%)
County Use Tax	\$42,243	\$43,134	\$891 (2.11%)
Guest Tax	\$29,499	\$55,277	\$25,778 (87.39%)



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Meetings & Announcements:

The City received \$19,451 from the totaled-out Ford Explorer that was in an accident two weeks ago. Mainstreet Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram of Lansing is honoring their previous low bid price from January when we purchased two Durango's, so we will replace the Explorer with another 2021 Durango Police Package.

The City has openings for the Police Officer I/II position.

The City is accepting volunteer applications for the following positions: Tree Board, PRAB, Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, and Library Board.

We are still in Phase Two of the vaccine rollout. As of February 26th, Leavenworth County has administered 6,125 first doses of the vaccine, and 1,940 doses of the second vaccine, for a total of 8,065 doses administered. I offered assistance to help get the word out on the City eblast and social media, as well as our facility when the times comes.

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| • Thursday, March 4 th | City Council Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall |
| • Thursday, March 11 th | Tree Board Meeting, 5:30pm, Lansing Activity Center |
| • Thursday, March 11 th | PRAB Meeting, 7:00pm, Lansing Activity Center |
| • Tuesday, March 16 th | Planning Commission Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall |
| | ▪ Rezone Request, 1153 Industrial Terrace, B3 to I1 |
| • Thursday, March 18 th | City Council Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall |
| • Thursday, March 25 th | City Council Work Session, 7:00pm, City Hall |
| | ▪ Discussion on housing in Lansing? |
| • Thursday, April 1 st | City Council Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall |

Sincerely,

Tim Vandall