



City of Lansing
800 First Terrace
Lansing, Kansas 66043

City Administrator's Report

June 17, 2021

Agenda Items:

A fence request for 124 Meadow Lane is on the agenda Thursday evening.

ARP Funds:

Lansing's final American Rescue Plan allocation totals \$1,812,742. Funds to the City will come in two batches, with the first half coming very soon, and the second coming approximately next summer. Entities have until December 31st, 2024 to spend the funds. Based on previous discussion with the City Council and amongst the CARES/ARP Committee, we are evaluating ideas to improve broadband internet speed and reliability. Additionally, we are internally evaluating and discussing wastewater projects that can help spark growth in Lansing and improve our sewer capacity. Although internet and sewer projects are eligible, street projects are not an eligible use of funds.

Community & Economic Development:

Harbor Freight broke ground in May and site work is underway. They have installed much of the storm sewer items and are working on the building footings.

The Planning Commission will revisit the apiary buffer suggestion at their June 16th meeting.

A preliminary plat for two lots on 1.84 acres is also on the Planning Commission agenda on June 16th. This property is generally in the vicinity of Beth Street/Carol Street and North 7th Street.

Public Works:

We anticipate concrete curb repair around Lansing to begin the week of June 21st. We expect asphalt milling to begin around July 19th, with the overlay to take place later in July.

Every's portion of utility relocation along K7/Eisenhower is going well and near completion. Other utilities are not quite as far along yet. The land acquisition consultant has spoken to all property owners and easement/row acquisitions have been marked. 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.

The gravel roadway within the City along New Lawrence Drive was paved as part of the County's Eisenhower Road project, with the City reimbursing the contractor. While on site, the



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contractor also replaced a damaged drainage pipe so the City will not need to tear up a new road in two years to replace the pipe.

Public Works Director Mike Spickelmier, PE, will present the findings of the Gilman/K7 intersection review on July 1st.

Sales Tax Update:

| | 2020 YTD | 2021 YTD | Difference |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Local Sales & Use Tax (1.45%) | \$616,746 | \$710,655 | \$93,919 (15.23%) |
| County Sales Tax | \$371,941 | \$396,811 | \$24,870 (6.69%) |
| County Use Tax | \$95,182 | \$115,668 | \$20,486 (21.52%) |
| Guest Tax | \$49,379 | \$110,925 | \$61,545 (124.64%) |

The .45% sales tax has generated \$220,303 thus far in 2021, on pace for \$528,727 by the end of the year. DeSoto Road debt this year is slated for \$386,275. These funds will also be used to fund the Parks & Recreation Phase One design this year.

Wastewater:

Design on the Town Centre Trunk Sewer Replacement project was approved at the May 20th City Council meeting. A kickoff meeting is schedule for later this month.

The McIntyre Wastewater Extension Study was approved by the City Council on February 18th. Leavenworth County has agreed to partner with the City to design this crucial line for future growth. Staff is communicating with GBA to finalize the contract, which we hope to be presented at a future council meeting.

Meetings & Announcements:

The City is currently accepting applications for the position of Building Inspector I/II. We also have the Street Superintendent position open internally.

Citizens Academy is slated to kick off in September. If you know of anyone who wants to register and learn more about the City, please encourage them to contact us!

We expect to receive census data in late August or early September.

We have volunteer openings for Tree Board and PRAB.

- Thursday, June 17th City Council Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Thursday, June 24th City Council Work Session, 7:00pm, City Hall



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- Thursday, July 1st
 - Saturday, July 3rd
 - Monday, July 5th
- 2022 City Budget
- City Council Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Independence Days Celebration, Bernard Park
- Independence Day Holiday Observed, City Offices Closed

Sincerely,

Tim Vandall