



City Manager's Report

April 11, 2023

Admin: Sales Tax, March: \$96,235.34. Use Tax, March: \$6,807.33. We are 75% through Fiscal Year 2023. In General Government, we have received 79.8% of expected revenues and spent 73.1% of budgeted expenses. In Public Works, we have received 78.6% of expected revenues and spent 79.4% 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 waiting for DEQ to approve the application, meanwhile Myers Engineering is working on the bid package.

We are planning a \$300k rehabilitation of the City water tower located in the city yard, west of Pine Street. The project was intended to be funded with 2 REAP grants from ACOG and OWRB (Oklahoma Water Resources Board). The ACOG grant is expected to proceed as expected, but the OWRB grant will likely not fund this fiscal year due to a budget shortfall. We are hopeful the DWSRF (Drinking Water State Revolving Fund) grant will provide the balance of funds to allow this project to progress.

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. The project is in the engineering phase now. This project will include a new liftstation on the property in contract on 151 acres south of Crescent City Limits.

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. We are working with oil field services companies within the City Limits of Crescent to raise much of the \$172k of matching funds necessary to repair the city street damaged by oilfield truck traffic.

We are pursuing 2 more grant opportunities. The first application will be a \$1M grant project that will be used for water system improvements, including removing the duplicate fire hydrants left by a previous water system project. The second application will be for a \$1M grant to be used for sewer system improvements, including replacing aging lines within the city limits that cause sewer line obstructions.

In the last 12 months, the City has won approximately \$2.3M in competitive grants, and is seeking an additional \$2M in grant funding.

The big news this month, is the City has entered a 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 the month.

-Ryan Wallace, City Manager