



City Manager's Report

March 12, 2024

Admin: Sales Tax, January: \$42,709.26. Use Tax: \$7,438.17. We are 66.7% through Fiscal Year 2024. In General Government, we have received 84.2% of expected revenues and spent 66.0% of budgeted expenses. In Public Works, we have received 68.7% of expected revenues and spent 66.6% of budgeted expenses. We are continuing to operate within budget.

Projects: The water system improvement project is complete. The new chlorinator is operational. water quality tests have passed and been submitted to OWRB and DEQ. The city is now petitioning OWRB for a permit to operate the well and secure water rights the City has access to.

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 will replace various roads including Railroad Ave, and parts of W. Washington, and repair other roads in that area. The project scope increased to include some storm drainage in the alley west of Grand behind Madison and Monroe. This drainage will help to dewater the downtown buildings and preserve the asphalt by reducing standing water. Construction was scheduled to begin on March 21st. The contractor started early on March 4th. The project must be completed by May 10th for the contractor to avoid liquidated damages charges.

Last month the Council voted to approved a \$259,482.89 REAP grant for rehabilitation of the elevated water tower. The project will begin after a notice to proceed is received in midsummer.

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. If this grant is received, the funds will be used to plan and engineer system improvements for the next decade.

The Crescent PD has completed a USDA grant for 55% assistance with patrol vehicle(s). We are working together of the narratives to support the grant application and will submit. If successful, the City will likely finance the balance of one or more police vehicles.

The Board of Adjustments met on March 8th to hear a zoning variance application for 102 S Mulberry. The applicant seeks to build a daycare center on the property. Based on the evaluation criteria, the board felt the zoning variance was in the best interest of Crescent and passed it unanimously.

-Ryan Wallace, City Manager