

**City Administrator's Report
February 25, 2025**

Water & Sewer

Obrist Construction has substantially completed water and sewer work for the South Park Subdivision and has moved to the 6" water main extension from 2nd and Walnut to State Highway 14. We continue to have issues with contractor not notifying property owners of work in area, inconveniences, and access issues. We are documenting.

Streets

Work on alley paving improvements will resume in the Spring – reminder that these are funded by capital improvement sales tax funds. Next on the this is the east-west alley by Pizza Hut, Schalks, Gragert's.

Park

Eli Porter Project is underway – the major structure is up. The rubberized surfacing to be installed this Spring.

The Clark Street Park and Trail Extension Project is underway – the RFP for Trail Design, Pavillion/Restroom Building Design, and Park Site layout was awarded to JEO. Planning will occur in 2025 with bid letting in late 2025, and construction in 2026.

The Cardinal Cage Project – fundraising for Phase II continues. The Phase 1 building contract was awarded last month. Tree removal at the Sports Complex site have begun and construction is expected to begin this Spring. The City is applying for a State CCCFF grant and if awarded will be able to incorporate Phase II as well.

General Administration / Other:

Tire-Amnesty Collection Grant – was approved and will be held in fall of 2025.

Warren Myers has been reviewing nuisance ordinance of other communities and has asked me and City Attorney Wright to review our ordinance in order to simplify and clarify some provisions. This may be presented to council for consideration in the near future following our review. **Warren, Darren, and I met – Darren to work on drafting changes to present to City Council.**

Warren anticipates that the State of Nebraska will be updating the Building Code standard to ICC 2024 this year so we will be reviewing our building codes and may present a draft ordinance this winter to update to the ICC 2024 series of codes.

Planning Commission Vacancy

There is still one (1) vacancy.

***Please direct any interested parties to City Hall or to the Mayor.**

Attached is the previous month Sales Tax Report – showing the monthly trend of sales tax receipts.
Also attached is an unaudited Treasurer's Report/Budget Performance Report and an unaudited Balance Sheet Comparison Report.