

# MANAGERS REPORT



**DATE:** October 28, 2021  
**TO:** Mayor Benage and City Council  
**FROM:** Ty Lasher, City Manager  
**RE:** November 2, 2021 Agenda

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## **Proclamation (Item V)**

*Veterans Day, November 11, 2021* - In 1954, the federal government declared November 11<sup>th</sup> as Veterans Day and designated it a federal legal holiday. Veterans Day is celebrated and commemorated in observance of those Americans serving or have served in the armed forces, for their honor, sacrifice, courage and dedication.

## **Consent Agenda (Item VII)**

The consent agenda contains the minutes of the previous Council meeting on October 19, 2021. In addition, the consent agenda contains a Fireworks Display Permit for the Christmas Open House at City Hall on December 4<sup>th</sup>. Stellar Fireworks provided the fireworks displays for last year's Christmas open house and July 4<sup>th</sup>. For this display permit, Stellar has provided all the necessary documentation including insurance, operator licensing, and their application to the Sedgwick County Fire Marshall. Sedgwick County will review their site plan and give a final okay closer to the event date, when forecasted weather conditions are known. The permit now comes before Council for approval, contingent upon approval by the Sedgwick County Fire Marshall.

## **Appropriations Ordinance (Item VIII)**

As we near the end of the year, we are seeing more subscription and membership renewals. During this reporting period the city paid the annual fee to Core and Main for water meter software (\$19,861.91). PPJ Construction submitted payment requests totaling \$156,506. This was for asphalt work at Woodlawn from 45<sup>th</sup> to 53rd; Webb/ 49th and \$55,000 in patchwork at numerous locations across town.

## **Public Hearing (Item XI)**

The purpose of the public hearing is to give property owners and other interested parties the opportunity to speak on the proposed 2021 City of Bel Aire Land Bank Fund Amendment.

### **2021 Land Bank Fund Budget Amendment (Item A)**

At the October 19<sup>th</sup> meeting, Council approved publication of the amendment and approved the date of the public hearing for November 2, 2021. The 2021 budget was adopted by the Bel Aire City Council on August 18, 2020. Since then, the City of Bel Aire refinanced its existing land debt obligation and secured a lower interest rate. Due to several land sales of property owned by the Land Bank, \$1,600,000 was used to pay down debt service principal. This planned 2021 Budget Amendment will increase the Land Bank budgeted expenditure amounts from \$430,000 to \$2,111,000. Most of this amount (\$1,600,000) is due to a prepayment of land debt principal related to the 2021 refinancing. Municipalities are authorized by K.S.A 79-2929A to amend budgets to spend money not in the original budget. The additional expenditures must be made from existing revenue and cannot require additional tax levies. Staff recommends Council adopt the budget amendment and authorize all required signatures.

### **Conditional Use Permit To Allow Private Swimming Pool (Item B)**

At their October meeting, Planning Commission reviewed the conditional use request for a private swimming pool in an R-5 Residential Zoning District (CON-21-02). The applicant was present and stood for questions from the Commission. The Commissioners found there would be limited impacts to the neighborhood. The property is already fenced. Planning Commission voted 5-0 to recommend that Council approve the private swimming pool in an R-5 district as presented. Staff recommends Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve a conditional use (CON-21-02) to allow the private swimming pool.

### **Discussion And Future Issues (Item XIV)**

The regularly scheduled workshop for November is the 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. This will be after the election, but no members will be sworn in at this time. If council would like to move forward with the workshop, topics would include Woodlawn agreement, code review, and employee bonus policy.

Please note City Hall will be closed for these upcoming holidays:

- Veteran's Day, November 11<sup>th</sup>
- Thanksgiving, November 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>
- Christmas, December 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>
- New Year's, December 31<sup>st</sup>