



**City Manager's Monthly Update
July 22, 2024**

106 South Center Demolition:

The County Land Bank took the request for proposal packet before the land bank board for approval on July 16th. If approved, the land bank will send me the request for proposal language so our contractor can extend his bid and include the requirements of the request for proposal. After receiving the information from the land bank, I will work with Cross Excavation.

5 W. Main Street:

The Office of Community Service is speaking with a potential buyer.

Hiring at DPW:

The city hired Jose Arturo Rivera to work for the Department of Public Works, and his first day of work was June 17.

WWTP Update:

Construction at the WWTP has not begun yet. Nicol will be meeting with Wightman to find out the schedule.

Streetscape Downtown Improvement:

The streetscape project is moving along schedule. The flowers in the planters have been removed, put into several flower pots, and placed downtown. The planters were demolished on July 16th and 17th. Sidewalk replacement and repair are next on the schedule. The perennials will be planted the week of August 19th or 25th.

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)

EGLE completed the priority scoring for fiscal year 2025 Drink Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) projects. The City of Hartford project scored 90 priority points; the city increased our points by ten from last year. We are hopeful we will receive a draft funding offer in mid-September.

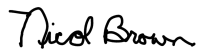
Spark Grant/DNR/Council Michigan Foundations:

The City of Hartford was awarded \$869,900 from the Department of Natural Resources. The grant dollars will be for Ely Park improvements, including additional parking spaces, sidewalks, lighting and electrical upgrades, and pavilion and restroom improvements. The grant closeout date is September 30, 2026.

PFAS Project:

I met Mickey with Wightman and Associates on July 12th. The PFAS project involves hooking up Hartford Twp property owners whose PFAS was detected. The properties are switching to the City of Hartford water system (water/sewer). 39 out of 75 properties are connected to the City's water and sewer. We are waiting for the meters to be delivered, which will take 6 – 8 weeks. Also, we are waiting for railroad flaggers to become available around September 9th to complete the project at the railroad.

Respectfully Submitted,



Nicol Brown
City Manager