



City of Lansing  
 800 First Terrace  
 Lansing, Kansas 66043

**City Administrator’s Report**  
 March 7, 2024

**Agenda Items:**

Approval of the pool bid is on the agenda for Thursday evening. Bids for this project were opened publicly on February 15<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. The bid package included five alternates, including items like a splash pad in site, speed slide, family slide, fencing upgrades, and a climbing wall. The low bid came from Royal Construction out of Leawood. A copy of the bid tabs are listed below. The City’s Parks & Recreation Director Jason Crum, as well as our Project Engineer Jeff Bartley met with Royal Construction to go over their bid line item by line item to ensure nothing was omitted. Royal Construction also provided a list of their proposed subcontractors to the City. The City’s purchasing policy allows a local preference if a business located in Lansing is within 2% of the low bid, or if the contractor is in Leavenworth County and is within 1% of the low bid. Sands Construction is in Leavenworth County but exceeds the 1% threshold to meet the local preference. Representatives from Waters Edge, as well as Royal Construction will be in attendance Thursday night to address any questions. Staff is recommending Royal Construction.

Firm Name	Base Bid	Diff	%	Alt #1	Alt #2	Alt #3	Alt #4	Alt #5	total w/ Alts	Diff.	%
Royal	\$ 5,691,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 184,000.00	\$ 82,000.00	\$ 147,000.00	\$ 132,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 6,266,000.00	\$ -	0%
Sands	\$ 6,960,000.00	\$ 1,269,000.00	22.30%	\$ 315,000.00	\$ 133,000.00	\$ 130,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 7,620,000.00	\$ 1,354,000	21.6%
Crossland	\$ 7,477,000.00	\$ 1,786,000.00	31.38%	\$ 423,000.00	\$ 153,000.00	\$ 178,000.00	\$ 62,000.00	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 8,330,000.00	\$ 2,064,000	32.9%
Carrothers	\$ 7,557,000.00	\$ 1,866,000.00	32.79%	\$ 220,000.00	\$ 71,000.00	\$ 145,000.00	\$ 54,000.00	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 8,073,000.00	\$ 1,807,000	28.8%
Icon	\$ 7,814,000.00	\$ 2,123,000.00	37.30%	\$ 69,000.00	\$ 161,000.00	\$ 184,000.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 8,316,000.00	\$ 2,050,000	32.7%
Centrec	\$ 8,166,411.00	\$ 2,475,411.00	43.50%	\$ 540,139.00	\$ 145,564.00	\$ 161,803.00	\$ 29,380.00	\$ 37,686.00	\$ 9,080,983.00	\$ 2,814,983	44.9%

A 15-minute executive session is on the agenda for economic development.

A proclamation to designate Lansing as a Tree City USA is on the agenda this week. There is also a proclamation for flood safety.

**Public Works:**

We anticipate installation of the new light poles to take place in the next few months. The islands have been removed, with asphalt being poured the week of November 13<sup>th</sup>. A total asphalt overlay is not included at this time, but staff is planning to list Center Drive as an alternate on the 2024 CIP bids.

Staff has followed up with a property owner about completing the drainage project on Robin Road. Unfortunately, the failing pipe is not within an easement since there was no drainage easement established when Sherwood Forrest was platted as a county-subdivision in the 1980s. In order for the City to complete this project, the property owner would need to grant a utility easement.



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Based on discussion at the January 25<sup>th</sup> work session, we will likely delay the box culvert repairs on 147<sup>th</sup> Street to 2025. The goal of this delay is to not have two major roads in close proximity closed concurrently during the summer of 2024.

The storm drain and asphalt work on Valley Drive in the Stonecrest subdivision was completed in late 2023. The pipe liner near the creek and church was completed recently. We anticipate Linaweaver Construction completing the final portion once school is complete on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The City is looking to apply for a grant from the KDOT Transportation Alternatives program to fund a 10' trail from Lansing High School to the existing trail that terminates on 4H Road, at the northwest corner of the Wyndham Subdivision. Please note this area has no curb or gutter, which may need to be evaluated as part of our application. We will work to receive community feedback from residents to help support our application. Lansing's Angel Falls Trail was funded by the Transportation Alternatives program.

The Public Works Department has been working with an engineering firm to design minor repairs for the bridge in Bernard Park. Depending on budget considerations, we may schedule the work for 2024. We are also looking to add the LES Crosswalk as an alternate for the annual CIP.

#### **Wastewater:**

Construction of the McIntyre Sewer Project is in full swing, thanks to the warm and dry weather this month. Presently, there are five crews working simultaneously, three installing pipe and one crew is continuing the road bore under K7 highway. Blasting crews should wrap up activities in the next two weeks. To date, approximately 1,400' of pipe has been installed. The aerial crossing over the 9 Mile Creek is complete and will be seeded in the next few days. This project is scheduled for substantial completion in November of 2024. This project will be paid for partially by a GO Bond, a \$1.3Million grant from the State of Kansas, and Leavenworth County also contributed \$240,000 for design.

The Town Center Sewer Replacement Project is set to go to bid in September of this year, with construction to take place afterward. This project is expected to take 120 days.

#### **Update on ARPA Funds:**

A summary of the total amount received from the federal government, and what we have spent the funds on is below. The ARPA funds need to be committed by 12-31-2024 and spent by 12-31-2026. ARPA funds can be used for fire equipment.

- \$1,823,526.76 American Rescue Plan Act Funds Received
- \$800,000 High Speed Internet in Lansing



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- \$90,822 Sewer Improvements near Fairlane
- \$80,000 Sewer Improvements near First Terrace
- \$35,000 Economic Development Data (Buxton)
- \$314,667.73 Water Line Center Drive
- \$503,037.03 ARPA Funds Remaining

### YTD Sales Tax Update:

The final year-end sales tax updates are below.

	2023 YTD	2024 YTD	Difference
Local Sales & Use Tax (1.9%)	\$375,852	\$474,064	\$98,212, 26.12%*
County Sales Tax	\$169,532	\$153,110	-\$16,422, -9.69%
County Use Tax	\$69,311	\$70,204	\$839, 1.29%
Guest Tax	\$29,980	\$25,113	-\$4,867, -16.23%

\*Additional .45% sales tax for aquatic center began July 2023.

The total non-food sales tax rate in Lansing is broken down as follows:

- **6.5%** State Sales Tax (varies on food)
- **1%** Countywide Sales Tax
- **1%** City General Sales Tax-General Fund
- **.45%** DeSoto Road & Park Improvements (20 years)
- **.45%** Aquatic Center (20 years)
  - **9.4%**
- **1%** Community Improvement Dist. (Mainstreet Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram property only)

The special sales tax to pay for the Aquatic Center has generated \$113,775 in January. The special sales tax to pay for DeSoto Road and Bernard Park Improvements also generated \$113,775 (both special sales taxes are for the same amount, .45%).

### Community & Economic Development:

The final telecommunications pole in the alley east of Take5 Oil was removed, allowing the contractor to pour concrete and extend the curb to the west several feet. The City recently paved the southern portion of the alley, which was discussed in a City Council meeting back in 2022.

The closing for the 4.7-acre Zimmerman parcel was concluded the final week of January. The City received the proceeds for the land purchase last month. We anticipate construction to begin by early April.



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**Meetings & Announcements:**

There are currently openings for Police Office (I/II). There are also two openings on the Tree Board, and numerous openings on the Building and Plumbing Trade Boards of Appeal.

Bid opening for the mill and overlay project is slated for March 28<sup>th</sup>, with approval slated for the April 4<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting. Repaving Center Drive is slated as an alternate.

A police vehicle was totaled in February. Since we recently received bids in January for a Dodge Durango, staff will likely utilize those bids to purchase the replacement for the totaled Durango.

- Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> City Council Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> City Council Work Session, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> City Council Work Session, 7:00pm, City Hall

Sincerely,

Tim Vandall