



City of Lansing  
800 First Terrace  
Lansing, Kansas 66043

## City Administrator's Report

June 2, 2022

### Agenda Items:

A motion to reappoint Mike Suozzo to the Board of Zoning Appeals is on the agenda.

As discussed at the May 19<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting, the updated ward maps based on Lansing's updated census population is on the agenda. The vast majority of our population would remain in their existing ward, but there are a few areas that would change. This map does not include the incarcerated portion of our population. Based on the proposed map, the population of each ward is broken down below:

Ward One: 2,328

Ward Two: 2,445

Ward Three: 2,421

Ward Four: 2,396

The proposed map is in the Council packet, with the existing ward map is viewable on the link below and clicking the Lansing City Wards tab.

<https://gis.lansingks.org/>

A Temporary Special Event Permit and authorization of Embrace the Grape LLC to sell beer, wine, and alcoholic beverages at our Independence Days event is on the agenda. Embrace the Grape LLC was the vender last year and did a satisfactory job. The fireworks event will take place in Town Center on July 2<sup>nd</sup>, with Centre Drive between West Mary and Kay Street being closed for food trucks, inflatables, music, etc.

The briefing from Clearwave Fiber was pushed back to the June 16<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting. Please reach out to staff if you want them to go over anything specific so they can be prepared in advance.

### Public Works:

Work on the K7/Eisenhower intersection will begin the week of May 30<sup>th</sup>. Due to a land acquisition delays, the initial work now take place along K7 instead of Eisenhower. The construction schedule is 25 weeks, so we are hoping for completion in mid-November. Please encourage drivers to utilize detours or to drive the intersection during non-peak hours. There will be traffic congestion.

We anticipate bidding for the Southfork Road pipe repairs to take place this summer, with construction tentatively slated for the fall.



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Curb work along Cottonwood Drive is slated to begin the final week of May. We anticipate the asphalt work on 147<sup>th</sup> St to begin in July.

The City received our NFIP (National Flood Insurance Program) five-year recertification last week and we retained our Class 7 rating! This means residents who purchase flood insurance in Lansing qualify for up to a 15% discount because of our flood mitigation activities! Major kudos to Kelly Hanne and Mike Spickelmier for their hard work on this recertification!

#### **Parks & Recreation:**

The City was fortunate to receive a \$10,000 grant from Royals Charities to go toward the construction of our new ballfields at Bernard Park! Thank you to the Kansas City Royals and Royals Charities!

Work on Bernard Park began mid-May. A construction access road was built to keep heavy equipment and deliveries off the main entrance. The road is located to the west of the main entrance. Road closed barricades have been installed to limit traffic. A crosswalk was painted leading toward the playground, shelter, and soccer fields and signs were installed to provide pedestrian access to those amenities. Temporary construction fencing has been installed for park user safety. A job trailer and construction materials have been delivered to site. Earthwork has started on the construction site.

#### **Library:**

The Library is ready for the 2022 Summer Reading Program, Oceans of Possibilities, to kick off on Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. Operation Wildlife will be at the Library with owls, falcons, and hawks in a fun and educational program. The Friends of the Library is then sponsoring an ice cream social after the program. Attendees who register for the reading program and events will receive swag bags that are courtesy of a grant the Library received from the Fort Leavenworth Thrift Shop. The staff is looking forward to hosting programs and events for all ages this summer.

#### **Wastewater:**

Offer letters for the four properties impacted by the Town Center Sewer project were mailed the week of May 23<sup>rd</sup> and staff will begin negotiating for acquisition. Construction of this project will follow, as directed by the Council.

There have been a few rain events over the last two weeks. Flow meters continue to be serviced by technicians weekly. Twelve flow meters have been installed throughout Lansing and data collection will continue for 90 days.



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Potholing of utilities along the McIntyre Sewer Interceptor project corridor are scheduled for the week of May 16<sup>th</sup>. Plan design is ongoing. This project would extend sewers to McIntyre Road and include installation of 9,500' of pipe.

**Year End Sales Tax Update:**

	<b>2021 YTD</b>	<b>2022 YTD</b>	<b>Difference</b>
<b>Local Sales &amp; Use Tax (1.45%)</b>	\$710,655	\$852,584	\$141,929, 19.97%
<b>County Sales Tax</b>	\$396,812	\$411,072	\$14,260 (3.59%)
<b>County Use Tax</b>	\$115,668	\$155,913	\$40,245 (34.79%)
<b>Guest Tax</b>	\$110,875	\$34,227	-\$76,227 (-68.75%)

Through the May disbursement, the .45% sales tax has generated \$264,332, on pace for \$634,322 throughout the year. The 2022 debt payment for DeSoto Road is \$388,075. Based on current projections, this would leave \$246,247 toward park improvements this year.

**Meetings & Announcements:**

The City currently has an opening for a part time Animal Control Officer. The City also has volunteer openings on the Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals.

- Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day Holiday-City Offices Closed
- Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> City Council Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
  - Site Plan, 00000 S Main St, (S of Mutual Savings)
- Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> Special Meeting, 6:30pm, Approval of KBP GO Bonds
- Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> Budget Work Session, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> Fireworks & Lansing Daze! Bernard Park
- Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day, City Office Closed
- Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting

Sincerely,

Tim Vandall