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TO: Mayor & City Council
FROM: Mike Greene – City Administrator
DATE: April 7, 2025
RE: Study Session

Fiscal Year 2025-26 Council/Budget Goals

The purpose of this discussion item is for the Council to continue their discussion of what they wish to achieve in the next fiscal year. Enclosed in your packet are the Fiscal Year 2025-26 council/budget goals based on previous Study Session discussions.

City Residential Parcel 24-13-153-005

While reviewing city-owned properties, Staff discovered that we owned a 0.091-acre parcel on Redwood Ave. After reviewing files and consulting with our partners, it appears the City may have gained control of the parcel when the State deeded the land to the City in the late 1980s. The parcel, as is, is unbuildable and has no city utilities underground. The purpose of this discussion is to see if the City Council would entertain selling the parcel, specifically to the adjacent property owner.

The adjacent property owner (17615 Redwood Ave) has been maintaining this property over the years as it did appear to be an extension of their existing yard. Staff have had an informal conversation with 17615 Redwood, and they have shown interest in officially purchasing the property if the Council entertains going on that route.

If inclined, staff and the City Attorney will work with 17615 Redwood to negotiate and draft a purchase agreement for future Council consideration.

San Jose Gate Access Design

After the previous Study Session and tabled City Council action items, the City Council wanted to see what a basic gate design on San Jose would potentially look like before taking further action.

Enclosed in your packet is a rudimentary photoshop of San Jose with the installation of basic hinged swinging gates that lock in the middle, with some added signage. This type of simple gate installation could be completed by DPS.

The purpose of this discussion is to see if this type of layout Council would entertain with the proposed resolution & TCO.

Business Side Ordinance

This was a requested item on behalf of Mayor Pro-Tem Kantor. With investment in the business corridor, we are seeing an influx of new signage, and this discussion is to see if the City Council would like the Planning Commission to start a review of the sign ordinance to see if any necessary updates needed (such as square footage, brightness, number of signs, etc.).

TEDF Category B FY26 Program

MDOT Office of Economic Development is now accepting applications for the Community Service Infrastructure Fund (CSIF), commonly referred to as TEDF Category B. As background, the Category B program was created and designed as a stop-gap measure to provide additional road funding to the smallest communities in Michigan, particularly those with

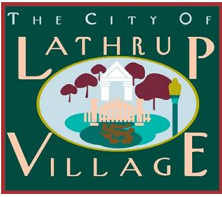
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limited ability to fund road projects. The recent supplemental appropriation will allow for the continuation of the annual program for several grant cycles. The program will continue similarly to previous years.

Last year, the City Council approved applying for this grant to fund the Rainbow Circle construction. As of last month, we were awarded \$250,000 to assist with that project.

Based on conversations with our City Engineer, if the City were to apply for FY26 funding, their recommendation for projects would be (map included in packet):

- Rainbow Drive & Lathrup Blvd (SE portion of the City) – PASER 2 (concrete streets in poor condition)
- E Goldengate & Lathrup Blvd (NE portion of the City) – PASER 2 (asphalt streets in poor condition)
- San Quentin (Stanford Ct to Rackham) – PASER 2 (long asphalt street, mill and overlay with minor reconstruction)

The likelihood of the City being awarded twice is slim, as MDOT prioritizes communities that have never received funding, however, staff felt this was a necessary discussion to put forward. So, if City Council would like to move forward with an FY26 application, staff would need direction on which street to include in the application so we can get proper construction estimates for the Council to officially consider.

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