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MEMORANDUM

Engineering Services

To: Mayor Jackola and City Council

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From: Mike Trippett, City Engineer

Subject: **Capital Improvements Update - January 2025**

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS:

- As time allows, Engineering Staff continues to work on designs for additional small sewer replacement/rehab projects. These include:
 - East Ash (between Carlson and Creswell)
 - Fourth Street (between Maple and Grant)
 - Sherman Street (Alley to Second Street)
 - Second Street (Elmore Alley) – This project is out for quotes
 - Elmore and Grove Streets – Currently scoping/surveying this project
- RJ Armstong has substantially completed the first of three phases to install multiple private side laterals that need to be connected to new mainlines as part of the Grove Street Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project that was completed last year. This is typically the homeowner's responsibility; however, due to the current location of the laterals, we will replace the private side of the laterals and make connections to the new mainline. The second and third phases will be designed and contracted out as time allows.
- Staff are preparing to submit a grant application to Business Oregon for a wetland delineation of several properties in relation to potential economic development.
- Kennedy Jenks is under contract with the City to prepare and submit a grant application to the Army Corps of Engineers for the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). The grant requires a 25% match from the City. Staff have directed Kennedy Jenks to submit a grant application for the entire amount of the projects discussed during work session held in July of this year. We currently have \$19 Million for matching funds.
- Udell Engineering is currently working on the Grant/Sherman Street and Utility Rehabilitation Project (from Park to Fifth Street on Grant, Main to Second on Sherman). City Staff have received 80% plans for review. This project is scheduled to bid later this year, with Construction slated to begin late this year.

Staff is preparing to proceed with a portion of this Work on Sherman Street as a 3-Quote Contract to speed up the process of installing sanitary sewer improvements along Sherman Street.

667 S. Second Street currently uses a ‘wildcat’ sanitary lateral that runs under the building at 55 W. Sherman. This lateral is substantially out-of-service, and repairs cannot reasonably be made at the connection to the existing sanitary main in the alley between S. Main Street and Second Street north of Sherman Street.

The 3-quote Contract will include installation of a portion of the proposed sanitary sewer improvements included in the larger Grant/Sherman project to allow 667 S. Second to connect a temporary lateral from the front of the property and eliminate the out-of-service issue. Once the larger Grant/Sherman project is awarded, the remaining sanitary sewer work on Sherman Street will be completed as originally designed. The 3-Quote Contract will be put out for quotes in early February.

- As Staff are available, we are continuing the process of updating the City’s five-year Capital Improvement Projects Plan. This effort will likely take several months to complete (as Staff time allows). Staff will bring the completed document to the City Council for approval in the coming months.
- Knife River Construction continues to work on Weirich Drive as part of the Cheadle Lake Park Project. The first phase will include road widening for a center turn lane, utility extensions to the park property, a multi-use path along the frontage of the park, and street resurfacing. The Project Team has finalized the scope of the second phase of the project. Once final costs have been determined, Staff will request City Council approval of the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) amendment No. 2.
- Udell Engineering is currently completing design of the Fifth Street Improvements Project (Tangent to Mary). Staff should be receiving plans for review in the next month - construction will likely happen in the latter part of 2026.
- Additional Minor Projects include:
 - Water Management and Conservation Plan - This is an update to our existing plan and is required by Oregon Health Authority. The document has been finalized and is waiting for revision review by the Oregon Water Resources Department (OWRD).
 - Industrial Way Park Improvements - The Wetland Fill Permit to the Joint Agencies has been submitted for review and approval. Oregon DEQ has received the application and is waiting for USACE to make a determination on the application.
 - Safe Streets for All Regional Planning Grant - Moving forward after Federal Grant pause.
- The Waterline Replacement Project on Airway Place has been substantially completed; the new water line is in service, and the Contractor is finishing up restoration work. They expect to be fully complete in the next week or so.
- The Storm Drainage Improvements project on Second Street has been completed and is functioning as designed.
- Udell Engineering is under contract to design a Water Line Replacement on Vine Street. This project will replace the badly deteriorated waterline on Vine Street between Fifth and Seventh Streets. Staff have received 90% plans for review. This project is expected to go to bid in February – construction is expected to begin this summer.

- The Elmore and Grove Street Sanitary Sewer Project is moving forward – the initial investigation and survey of existing sanitary utilities have been completed, and Udell Engineering is preparing to perform a topographic survey of the area to determine the most efficient and cost-effective way to correct the sanitary/storm drainage conflict in the UPRR ROW just south of Lebanon Family Dental.
- Staff has contracted with Udell Engineering to complete the topographic survey for Cedar Drive – utility and roadway reconstruction. Budget constraints will likely put this project on hold until the next fiscal year.
- Staff has contracted with Udell Engineering to complete the topographic survey for future intersection improvements at the intersection of Twelfth Street and Airport Road. These improvements are expected to include the installation of a new traffic signal and utility/roadwork improvements, similar to the work recently completed at the intersection of Stoltz Hill and Airport Roads.
- Staff have been actively working on our required TMDL update to DEQ. The update was submitted and has been approved by Oregon DEQ. As time allows, we will begin updating the City's Five-Year Matrix and submit it to DEQ for approval. In the coming months, DEQ will also be pushing to begin the water temperature requirements for each jurisdiction. The City will not know the impacts of this, if any until the new regulations are issued. It is possible that the new regulations (which tie into the City's NPDES Permit Update) could require action at the Wastewater Plant to mitigate temperature. The TMDL will require more extensive water quality efforts for storm drainage included in future projects and require testing of storm drainage outfalls as well as temperature controls soon. In conjunction with the TMDL requirements, Staff will be sending letters to commercial/industrial properties reminding them to have their private catch basins cleaned yearly to help eliminate pollutants from entering drainage paths.
- Staff are working with Republic Services to complete the Oregon Recycling System Optimization Plan Survey (ORSOP) with Circular Action Alliance (CAA). The data collected in the questionnaire will be used to prioritize investments and to estimate the full cost of service expansions.