

City of McCleary
STAFF REPORT



To:	Mayor Miller and City Councilmembers
From:	Chad Bedlington, Director of Public Works
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Department:	Public Works Administration

Updates:

Aquifer Study

City staff, in cooperation with EA Engineering, have submitted a grant application to the Department of Ecology (DOE) for a stream restoration grant. This will help support the second phase of the Aquifer Study by potentially providing funding to allow for the continuing field investigation of in-stream flows and aquifer recharge potential within and around Wildcat Creek. The grant award period is in September of 2024 and the City hopes for the opportunity to continue its research into protecting its aquifer.

Comprehensive Plan Update

The city draft Comprehensive plan is has been adopted. The next steps include several code updates that are currently being negotiated for scope and fee for presentation to City Council later in June.

Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP)

It is an annual requirement to update the City's STIP. A public hearing is scheduled for this evening to collect any public comments on the plan as presented in tonight's Council packet. If no public comments are received, A resolution is included in tonight's packet to adopt the STIP. The six-year plan is updated annually to keep the list of potential projects current and available for state and federal funding. It is not considered a ranked list but an overarching list for project considerations as funding may be made available.

Clean Energy Transformation Audit

Every four years the city is required to be audited for its compliance with the Clean Energy Transformation Act (CETA). The Audit this year will be reviewing three areas:

- Greenhouse gas content calculation, 2020-2021
- Energy Assistance to low-income households, 2019-2020
- Clean energy implementation plan development, 2022-2025

Work is still continuing with the State Auditors Office to address questions regarding the city's historic reporting.

Grant Pursuits

Below is a list of current grants that have either been submitted or are being pursued this year by City staff. This list will be updated monthly to keep the community and Council informed of progress. It is not to be considered comprehensive as additional opportunities may materialize and will be added to the list:

Grant Type	Description	Proposed Purpose	Status
Private	Elison Foundation	Food Bank Expansion	Submitted
State	Department of Natural Resources	Acquisition of Fire Dept. command vehicle and additional equipment needs	Submitted
Private	Quadra Tech	ROW beautification	In Progress
Private	T-Mobile	ROW beautification	Not Awarded
Private	AARP	Improvements to Pickleball courts	Not Awarded
Private	City Foundation, Community progress makers	Food Bank new construction and downtown infrastructure	Pending
Private	Blue Diamond	New food bank to allow for expansion of existing community commercial grade kitchen	Pending
State	Dept of Ecology	On-going aquifer monitoring	Submitted
State	Recreation & Conservation Office (RCO), Youth Athletic Facilities	New Playground Improvements near Summit Place	In Progress
State	Recreation & Conservation Office (RCO), Youth Athletic Facilities	Upgrades to Beerbower park athletic facilities	In Progress
State	Department of Commerce – Decarbonization Grant	Solar grant to support power independence and resiliency, and potentially offset operating costs	Submitted
State	WCIA risk grant	Address sidewalk tripping hazard's around Beerbower park.	Not Awarded
State	WSDOT Safe Routes to Schools	Pursuit of sidewalk and ADA crossing	Submitted

		improvements around McCleary Elementary School	
State	Transportation Improvement Board (TIB)	Project identification in progress. Likely to pursue maintenance funding for streets only.	Pending Submission
State	Public Works Board	Currently reviewing loan and loan forgiveness opportunities for the WWTP Chiller project if financed through PWB	Pending Submission

West Maple Street Sidewalk Project

This project is currently in design with an anticipated construction started date in the Fall of 2024.