

City of McCleary  
**STAFF REPORT**



<b>To:</b>	Mayor Miller and City Councilmembers
<b>From:</b>	Chad Bedlington, Director of Public Works
<b>Date:</b>	September 11, 2024
<b>Department:</b>	Public Works Administration

**Updates:**

Opening Beerbower Park to Allow On-leash Dogs:

Signage for the park has been ordered and we will work to get signs and waste stations installed before the end of September.

IT Update

Currently we are working on getting the proper domain and licensing in place for the necessary IT improvements for the Police department. This is taking longer than expected due to delays in getting our contractor approved to work on the police side of the IT system. That has subsequently been resolved and we are working on a deployment schedule for the necessary server and support upgrades in the coming weeks.

We have also released a Request for Proposals (RFP's) to several IT managed service providers in the area as of August 29,2024. The RFP's close on September 19, 2024. It is also noteworthy that we received some feedback on the process and the necessity to outsource services from one of the prospective vendors. The LinkedIn article that was published regarding the need for services is below:

[https://www.linkedin.com/posts/fifonetworks\\_callmeifyouneedme-fifonetworks-staffing-activity-7235315307739799552-qjgM?utm\\_source=share&utm\\_medium=member\\_desktop](https://www.linkedin.com/posts/fifonetworks_callmeifyouneedme-fifonetworks-staffing-activity-7235315307739799552-qjgM?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop)

We continue to work on finding the lowest and most responsive alternative available to provide IT services for the City.

Update: 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:

<b>Grant Type</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Proposed Purpose</b>	<b>Status</b>
Private	Elison Foundation	Food Bank Expansion	Submitted
State	Department of Natural Resources	Acquisition of Fire Dept. command vehicle and additional equipment needs	Submitted, will know in December
Private	Quadra Tech	ROW beautification	Submitted, closes Oct 30 <sup>th</sup>
Private	City Foundation, Community progress makers	Food Bank new construction and downtown infrastructure	Not awarded
State	Dept of Ecology	On-going aquifer monitoring	Submitted, will know in October/November
State	Dept of Ecology	Inflow and Infiltration monitoring of the sewer system and determining sources of I and I	In progress
State	Recreation & Conservation Office (RCO), Youth Athletic Facilities	New Playground Improvements near Summit Place	Presentations completed to RCO, waiting on potential award notification
State	Recreation & Conservation Office (RCO), Youth Athletic Facilities	Upgrades to Beerbower park athletic facilities	Presentations completed to RCO, waiting on potential award notification
State	Department of Commerce – Decarbonization Grant	Solar grant to support power independence and resiliency, and potentially offset operating costs	<b>Awarded</b>
State	WSDOT Safe Routes to Schools	Pursuit of sidewalk and ADA crossing improvements around McCleary Elementary School	Submitted, will know in November
State	Transportation Improvement Board (TIB)	Involves several potential street segments. Pursuing chip seal program funding.	Submitted, will know in October

State	Department of Commerce -Paper to Digital Grant	Funding to pursue replacement and more efficiency in our data management, permitting, and financial software.	Submitted, will know in September
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West Maple Street Sidewalk Project

This project is currently at 60% design with an anticipated construction started date in the Fall of 2024.