

Date: January 17, 2025

To: Dan Grimmer, Acting City Manager

CC: Angie Nguyen, Administrative Assistant

From: Cole Cushman, Public Works Supervisor

Re: Quarterly Report, Fiscal year 24-25, 2nd Quarter

Road Crew

With the late arrival of snow, the road crew worked this quarter trying to get caught up with needed maintenance and some training. They also spent a couple days working with the state DOT to get the stockpile of sand built back up. We had a couple late burials to do before the ground got too frozen. There were only a couple hundred truckloads of snow hauled this quarter.

Building Maintenance

Building Maintenance did some work this quarter to help finish up the swimming pool project. There is still a little more to do there with the heat loop, but the pool has been smoothly self-medicating for the past couple months. City Hall was moved from their temporary homes back into the City Hall building. The crew did some training with Trane on the new DDC system and fire alarm. The crew relocated the NVFD air compressor to remedy the overheating problem it had been having. As time and workspace allows, the crew has been working on the gate for the impound yard, which has to be built from scratch. And the crew set up the Christmas trees and holiday decorations.

Landfill/Monofill

The landfill loader was refitted with new tires early this quarter. The new tires are extra thick with exaggerated tread to try to prevent punctures. With a little luck, they may outlive the loader. One of our challenges this winter is the low snow volume. Without a layer of snow or dirt holding it down, the trash is susceptible to the wind. The active area of the Monofill was moved to the west end. Final shaping and cover of the previous active area was underway until the cover material froze. This should be completed soon after breakup. The Monofill building and surrounding footprint for Kawerak were cleaned out and delineated for Kawerak's recycling program.

Moving Forward

As snow starts showing up, the crews will shift into snow removal mode and try to be ready for Iron Dog and Iditarod. Work on the D-7R continues and we are waiting on some parts. We will be reapplying finish to the Foster building wood floors next month to shine them up before Iditarod.