

CITY OF RICHLAND CENTER - AGENDA ITEM DATA SHEET

Agenda Item: Director of Public Works Monthly Report

Requested & Presented by: DPW Jasen Glasbrenner

Meeting Date: Public Works Committee on 09-18-2025

September & October 2025 Operations Summary – Airport, Buildings & Grounds, Cemetery, Forestry & Streets

Airport: We continue to work with the BOA to keep the airport masterplan and runway resurfacing projects moving. Master planning should begin this fall, and we are pushing for runway resurfacing in 2026.

Buildings & Grounds: Crew Lead Matt Williams registered for Certified Pool Operator (CPO) training in November. We are demoing different pieces of equipment and continue to focus on a major reset of the B&G operations. Winterization of Aquatic Center and notification of major maintenance cost of up to \$35,000 for slide maintenance. Planning for several major landscaping projects

Cemetery: Three cremations completed; more scheduled. One 4x4 cremation plot sold. Addressed a cemetery issue during the week of 9/8. – Occupied but unmarked grave.

Forestry: Visibility pruning performed on Church St. Removed hazardous trees from parks and trails. Preparing winter tree removal list with citywide drive-through planned.

Streets: Chip seal project completed 9/9 with minimal cleanup required. Crews patched non-chip seal streets and began pavement marking on 8/25—most parking stalls done; crosswalks underway. Curb painting began downtown and continues through main corridors. Paint shaker failed 9/11; replacement parts due 9/22, delaying some markings until after leaf season. Canal maintenance is underway ahead of the October inspection.

DPW Comments:

We continue with deep evaluation of everything that we do in Buildings and Grounds. Fire station parking lot should be completed within 1 week. We have experienced substantial delays due to poor subgrade conditions, weather, and scheduling. Employee reviews have been completed for the Public Works Department. Budgeting for 2026 remains a major focus.