

Date: September 18, 2023

To: Mayor and Council Members of the City of Rollingwood

From: Ashley Wayman, City Administrator

Subject: City Administrator's Report

Financials – Highlights of the financials through the month of August 2023:

- As of August 31, 2023, 92% of the Fiscal Year has passed.
- Property taxes collected were about the same from the amount collected in August 2022.
- Sales taxes collected were 91% of the the amount collected August 2022.
- The Water Fund balance is currently at \$485,943. The General Fund balance is at \$2,444,657.

We will be finishing up the remainder of budget and tax rate season for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 this month, with the new fiscal year beginning October 1. At the regular meeting on September 13, 2023 we will be holding our final budget workshop, holding a public hearing on the budget, adopting the budget and holding a public hearing on the ad valorem tax rate. The City Council will meet for a special City Council meeting on Thursday, September 28th at 3:00 p.m. to complete the final step, voting on the ad valorem tax rate. There is a statutory waiting period on this final action that necessitates the special meeting. Thank you to the City Council, and all the staff members that worked hard on the budget this year!

A special City Council meeting was held on September 7 for the purpose of cancelling the November 7, 2023 General Election. At this meeting the City Secretary certified that the three candidates for City Council, Council Members Brown, McDuffee and Robinson, were unopposed and the City Council declared the candidates elected into office.

As wholesale customers of Austin Water, the City of Rollingwood follows Austin Water's regulations when in a drought. We are currently in Stage 2 watering restrictions. The watering schedule and additional information on restrictions can be found on the watering schedule page on our website here: <u>https://www.rollingwoodtx.gov/cityutilityservices/page/watering-schedule</u> We will continue to update the community as changes come our way.

We have received a couple complaints about the pothole on Bee Cave Road eastbound in front of the Finish Line Car Wash. The Mayor and I reached out to TxDOT to bring this to their attention and they have scheduled this repair to take place this week, the week of September 18, weather permitting. (I think we can all agree that if it means we will get a little rain, we will take a delay!) We appreciate TxDOT's prompt response to this road safety concern.

The Public Works Department brought focus to the city's main sewer lines early this month by cleaning out the city's sewer lines throughout the city. You may have seen them out with the line jetter positioned at street manholes. This sewer line jetting helps improve clogged or slow-

moving lines and is an important maintenance activity for the city's wastewater system. As always, thank you to our dedicated Public Works department!

On September 12, the Rollingwood Police Department put on another wonderful Rollingwood Night Out event! We had a great turnout, and the attendance by other agencies and vendors was unmatched. Thank you to the Police Department, and all departments that participated, for making this an event to remember.

The design of the Water System Improvements in accordance with the City's Water Capital Improvements Plan is ongoing. Updates on these system improvements and impacts to residents can be found on our city website, under the public notices section on the front page. The page "Updates – 2023 Water System Improvements" will be kept up-to-date with project progress and milestones. Link: https://www.rollingwoodtx.gov/administration/page/updates-2023-water-system-improvements

I am available by email at <u>awayman@rollingwoodtx.gov</u> and cell phone at (737) 218-8326. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Best,

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