



City of Sedgwick
City Council Meeting
June 18, 2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

SUBJECT: Staff Report

INITIATED BY: Administration

TNR Program: City Council initiated the TNR (Trap Neuter Release) program with Caring Hands Humane Society this year. CHS started working in Sedgwick in April and continues to come to town monthly for the program. They spend a day notifying homeowners in the area they will be trapping in and then return to perform the service. To date, 21 cats have been through the program with the city expending approximately \$700/month for April and May.

Home Improvement Grant: This program started off slowly but is quickly gaining popularity amongst residents. To date we have had seven properties take advantage of the program and expended \$6,740 out of the \$10,000 allocated towards the program. These funds have helped residents paint exteriors, replace windows, siding, fascia boards, and installing a new privacy fence. Applications for the program can be found on our website underneath the Community tab.

Housing Incentive Grant: Also, a newly implemented program this year, we have had one individual take advantage of the housing incentive grant which provided this resident with a 3-year 100% tax abatement on the city portion of property taxes.

Code Violation Report: From the month of May to now there are currently three code violations that remain. Those violations are being worked out between SPD and the homeowner to rectify the situations in a timelier manner.

Moonlight Market: This month's Moonlight Market is Friday, June 20th from 6-9pm. Landworks studio will be in town that evening to conduct the last portion of the community engagement for the Parks Master Plan. We will live entertainment, multiple food trucks, around 25 vendors, and cold beverages for all to enjoy.

Staff Highlight: City Superintendent James Boldenow completed the Emerging Leaders Academy program through the KU School of Public Affairs & Administration. We want to congratulate him on this accomplishment.