QUARTERLY REPORT TO COUNCIL

Meeting Date: June 18, 2025
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Department: Administration

Division: N/A

Reporting Period: April and May, 2025

CC: City Administrator John Walsh



1. General Operations (QUARTER/YTD)

Press Releases: 5/12

Social Media Posts: 204/554

Newsletters: 8/18Media Request: 6/64

• Radio: 1/2

Stats include reporting for all department/division support

2. Staffing & Personnel

- Staffing support for other divisions: Communications staff have continued to provide additional coverage and training support for other divisions, covering Planning Commission and City Council meetings as needed
- Recent staff trainings:
 - o 3CMA Elevate your Communications Skills: Three Part Series
 - o CJIS Security and Privacy Recertification

3. Projects & Initiatives*

A. Ongoing Key Projects

- **Summer Library Challenge**: Creating digital and print materials for SHPL's Summer Library Challenge. Includes creating or updating flyers, SLC participation booklet, assisting Library staff in updating materials, and ensuring materials are print-ready. Ongoing execution of summer digital communication strategy.
- **Summer Recreation Camps:** Creating digital and print materials to support summer Recreation programming. Includes flyers and social media posts for summer programming, as well as incorporation into a new summer recreation guide coming soon.
- **Recreation Guide:** Creating materials for print and digital version of a new recreation guide containing information about Rec's summer programming, SHPL summer library challenge events, 13 Nights, and other summer events as needed.
- **Did you know? Social posts:** Continuing the goal of creating more visibility of City services in the form of semi-regular "did you know?" social media posts. Posts drawn from department and division reports and made in conjunction with departmental requests to share recent projects, stats, accomplishments, etc.

B. Upcoming Projects

- **Summer Event Comms**: 13 Nights on the River, Community Day in the Park, Independence Day, Kiwanis Parade
- Ongoing Summer Programming Support: Social posts, photos, and other comms support as needed for Summer Library Challenge, Recreation camps, etc.
- Waterfront Projects Ribbon Cutting: Working with City staff to support a ribbon cutting celebration for two waterfront constructions projects that are scheduled for completion in June 2025.
- Extreme Weather Group: Convening 2025 Extreme Weather Group to coordinate St. Helens support with other agencies for excessive heat events and cooling center(s)
- Planning Support: Assist with coverage at Planning Commission, etc. with Jenny's upcoming departure
- * Communications projects are usually dictated by necessary support to other department/division projects. Please refer to corresponding department/division reports for more detailed project descriptions.

4. Upcoming Events & Important Dates

- 13 Nights concerts, June-August, 2025
- Summer Library Challenge begins, June 16, 2025
- Kiwanis Community Parade City entry, June 21, 2025
- Waterfront Ribbon Cutting Celebration, June 26, 2025
- Community Day in the Park, June 28, 2025
- Independence Day Celebration and Fireworks, July 4, 2025