



City Administrator's Report

June 10, 2021

Splashpad is Open!

The Splashpad located adjacent to Clay Creek officially opened Thursday, July 1. It has been a hit and many children (of all ages) have already enjoyed it. Staff continues to work on a permanent walkway from the shared parking lot. Staff is also working with the developer to accomplish a parking lot and shelter/restroom for the park. As noted in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, the 2021 CIP includes addition of a playground, fencing and walkways within the park.



Improved Newsletter Format

A continued goal of the Governing Body is improved communications with citizens. Staff has worked to revise and expand the newsletter provided as an insert to water bills. The document will now be four pages and include more information. The newsletter will also be provided as an e-newsletter posted on the website and social media. The new format will be included in August water bills.

American Recovery Plan Act

Staff has previously indicated that we expect to receive between \$1.9 million and \$2.2 million in funds from this most recent legislation. We continue to be in contact with representatives at the state level and are communicating with other Clay County cities regarding timing of distribution of those funds by the state. Monitoring will continue and staff will advise the Board as soon as we have additional information.

Transportation Master Plan

Work continues on the Transportation Master Plan. The steering committee met in June and discussed what they wanted in a Complete Streets Policy. A "Pop UP" event was held at the Price Chopper to obtain public input. we spoke to and handed out information to approximately 250 shoppers. A link to a community survey can be found on the City's main web site as well as the Public Works page. Everyone is encouraged to comment and weigh in on what they would like to see in the future of the City's Transportation System at <https://smithvillemo.org/newsview.aspx?nid=6148>



Streetscape Phase II

Construction continues on this project, with completion scheduled for late September.



Main Street Trail

The project is now complete with installation of solar benches. The final project cost is \$1,431,184, with state grant funding totaling \$291,103.



America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA)

The City has completed the Risk and Resilience Assessment for the municipal water system and submitted certification of such to the EPA. This document evaluated the City's water infrastructure for threats. Staff and HDR evaluated 274 assets and threats identifying the top 7 and improvements needed based on cost to benefit analysis. The City had a 72.86 URI (Utility Resilience Index). The standard URI is 62.14.

MARC Grant Applications

Staff has completed two new grant applications to MARC for funding: Riverwalk and a roundabout at the intersection of First Street/Hilltop and Bridge Street.

Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSSA)

Title IV of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), enacted on December 27, 2020, appropriated \$10,000,000,000 to provide funding to address COVID-19 impacts related to transportation programs.

The Kansas City Region will receive approx. \$8.4 million which will be distributed and administered through MARC. These funds will be able to be used for maintenance work. The recommendation for allocating the funds through the MARC participating communities is based on population. This will provide Smithville approximately \$62,000 in FY 2023.

Sidewalk Program

The street division has started replacing sidewalks in poor condition under the Sidewalk Improvement Program. Residents pay for the concrete costs and the city provides labor to make the improvements.



Insituform – Cured in Place Pipe

This maintenance project is complete, lining approximately 3,800 feet of sewer main and 50 vertical feet of manhole.

