



City Administrator's Report

September 16, 2021

Streetscape Update

The streetscape project continues to make progress. The streetlights are set (see photo), however not powered yet, as Evergy is behind schedule on projects due to deployment of several crews to Louisiana to address hurricane response.

Over the next few weeks, there should be more progress towards buttoning the project up with mill and overlay later in October. Work in the alley behind the businesses on North Bridge Street should begin in next couple of weeks.

The original completion date was September 11. The contractor was provided 10 weather days for wet weather earlier this spring, extending the completion date to September 21. As previously discussed with the Board, additional work on the south side of Main Street, storm sewer, sidewalk and drainage have been added to the project. The contractor has requested additional days for this work. Delivery of storm sewer boxes is anticipated to take 6-8 weeks after plans are approved for delivery. Staff and engineers are determining the appropriate revised completion date.



HHW Update

The Household Hazardous Waste event was held on Saturday, September 11. There were 23 volunteers for this event, which included Smithville residents, City of Smithville staff, Heritage Environmental Services staff, Clay County Parks and Recreation staff and MARC staff. Nearly 200 cars came through this event.

The City of Smithville is a participating community member of the MARC Regional HHW Collection Program. Smithville residents who were not able to make this event may dispose of any HHW materials at the Kansas City and Lee's Summit facilities year-round free of charge. There are four remaining collection events. Please visit <https://www.recyclespot.org/HHW/Mobile-Events.aspx> for more information about the remain events.



October Citizen Newsletter

The next citizen newsletter will be released with the upcoming October utility bill. Staff has been working to make sure that all citizens are able to receive a copy of the newsletter whether they use paper billing or ACH. The primary source of the newsletters in the past was through physical bills, now we are able to send out the newsletter electronically through the email list of ACH customers as well. The newsletter is also posted to the City's website.

This quarter's newsletter will feature yard cleaning tips, utility rate changes, and winter sports updates.