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2024 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

"Smithville builds its future by embracing growth, encouraging commerce and enhancing its natural surroundings."

A MESSAGE FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

The City of Smithville is dedicated to maintaining transparency and accountability to our residents. The release of the 2024 Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) marks our forth year of providing this important information to the public. This report offers a clear and concise summary of the city's financial status and practices, detailing how we generate and spend revenue.

It's important to note that the PAFR is derived from the more detailed Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and our budget, both of which adhere to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and are audited by an independent certified public accounting firm. The PAFR is not meant to replace the CAFR, but rather to present the financial data in a more accessible, user-friendly format. The figures in this report represent unaudited financial results for 2024.

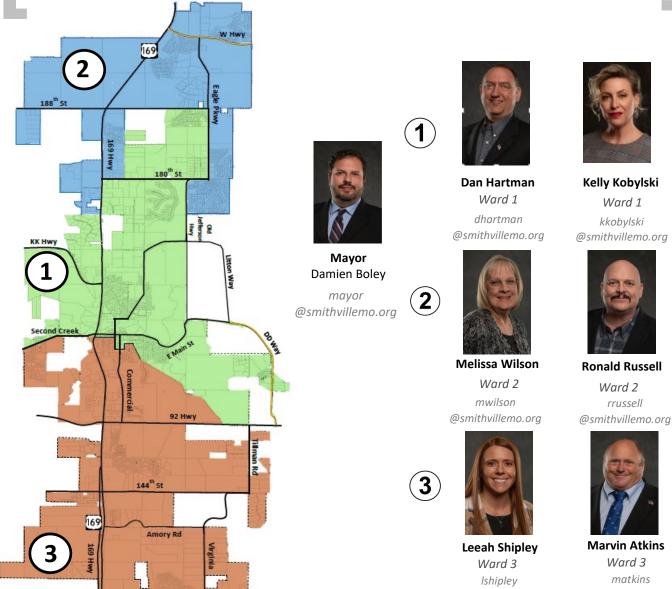
By continuing to produce the PAFR, we aim to improve public understanding of our financial position and performance, fostering greater transparency and accountability in all our actions. Thank you for your continued support and for your interest in the financial well-being of our city.

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Cynthia M. Wagner City Administrator



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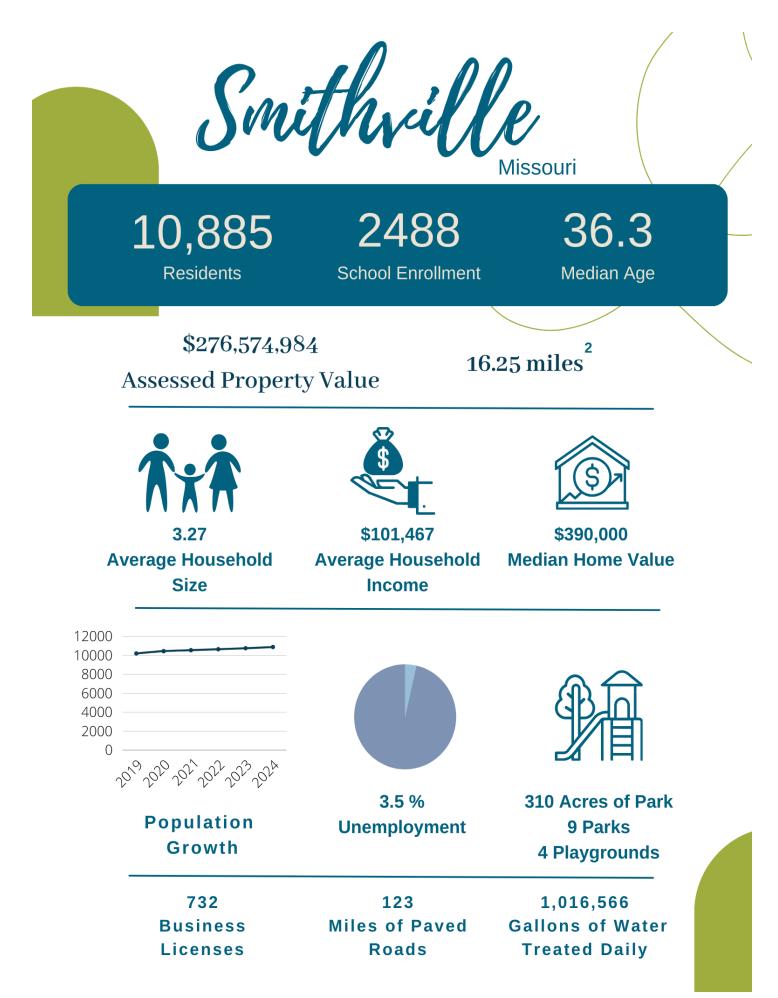
A brief introduction to Smithville

Smithville was named for Humphrey and Nancy Smith who came west with their six sons and daughter from New York state in 1822 to find land and build a home. Settling along the Little Platte River, the Smith's established Smith's Mill, the first water-powered flour mill in Clay County. By the 1830s, a town site was laid out and Smith's Mill became Smithville.

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The town of Smithville was incorporated on July 6th, 1868. Through the years, floods and fires have changed the landscape of the city. In October 1979, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers began impounding Smithville Lake, creating what is today a 7,200 acre lake with 175 miles of shoreline. Smithville Lake provides flood damage reduction, recreation opportunities, water supply and storage capabilities, as well as fish and wildlife management. In 2014, the Downtown Smithville Historic District was included in the National Register of Historic Places.



The City of Smithville has 17 budgeted funds that are used to support the City's daily operations and capital improvement program.

Governmental Funds

Governmental Funds are tax supported fund that receives revenue through sales taxes, property taxes, motor fuel taxes, and intergovernmental revenues.

The General Fund functions as the primary operating fund for the City of Smithville. (See page 8)

The **Capital Improvement Sales Tax Fund** accounts for a voter-approved 1/2-cent sales tax and has the purpose of funding, financing, operating and maintaining capital improvements. This sales tax went into effect October 1, 2018 and expires December 31, 2038. Capital Improvement Sales Tax funds are obligated for transfer to the Debt Service Fund to provide support for debt service principal and interest payments.

The **Parks and Stormwater Sales Tax Fund** accounts for a voter approved 1/2-cent sales tax which became effective October 1, 2020 and expires on September 30, 2040. The sales tax may be used for the purpose of operating, maintaining, funding, and/or financing parks and recreation needs and stormwater control.

The **Transportation Sales Tax Fund** accounts for a voter approved 1/2-cent sales tax which was approved in July 1989 and has no expiration date. Expenditures are limited by state statute to the construction, reconstruction, repair, and maintenance of streets, roads, sidewalks, trails, community owned parking lots, and bridges within the City.

2024 Fund Summaries	Revenues	Expenditures	Change in Fund Balance	Beginning Cash Balance	Ending Cash Balance
General Fund	\$6,942,100	\$7,099,518	\$(157,418)	\$3,963,979	\$3,806,561
Capital Improvement Sales Tax Fund	\$776,869	\$790,292	\$(13,423)	\$692,055	\$678,632
Parks and Stormwater Sales Tax Fund	\$774,822	\$704,533	\$70,289	\$1,491,839	\$1,562,128
Transportation Sales Tax Fund	\$738,322	\$599,250	\$139,072	\$569,431	\$708,503

Proprietary Funds

Proprietary Funds (also called Enterprise Funds) are supported through fee revenues which include monthly utility charges for the CWWS fund and monthly solid waste charges for the sanitation fund.

The **Combined Water & Wastewater Fund (CWWS)** accounts for revenues and expenditures related to water and wastewater operations in the City. Nearly 90% of CWWS fund revenues are provided from charges for services, such as the sale of water and wastewater to utility customers. These resources fund expenses related to daily utility operations (repair and maintenance of water lines, sewer lines, lift stations, and pump stations), capital improvement projects, debt payments (principal and interest), and other one-time expenses.

The **Sanitation Fund** accounts for payments from the City to the City's trash and recycling provider as well as the management of the annual Household Hazardous Waste program. The City currently contracts with GFL (Green For Life) for trash, recycling, and bulky item pick-up services. The fund works as a simple "pass through" fund as all revenues received in the form of customer charges offset the City's payments to GFL.

2024 Fund Summaries	Revenues	Expenditures	Change in Fund Balance	Beginning Cash Balance	Ending Cash Balance
Sanitation Fund	\$924,551	\$907,202	\$17,349	\$69,567	\$86,916
Combined Water/ Wastewater Fund	\$6,604,273	\$4,667,979	\$1,936,294	\$6,348,817	\$8,285,111





Special Revenue Funds

Special revenue funds are accounts established to record revenues that are restricted for special and particular purposes.

The **Capital Projects Fund** has the purpose of funding, financing, operating and maintaining capital improvements. Capital Improvement Sales Tax funds are obligated for transfer to the Debt Service Fund to provide support for debt service principal and interest payments.

The **Special Allocation Fund** is the fund which accounts for economic activity relating to the Smithville Marketplace Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District. This fund is recipient of TIF property tax revenue over and above the property tax base and the recipient of TIF EATs (Economic Activity Taxes).

The City has planned to utilize the **American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)** funding for the Raw Water Pump Station, Zebra Mussel, Valve Control capital improvement project. This fund is supported through federal and state grant monies.

The **Commons CID** (Community Improvement District) Fund is the recipient of the 1% CID Sales/Use tax revenue generated from the Smithville Commons CID. Revenues collected and receipted for the Commons CID Fund are subject to payment of CID administrative costs and developer reimbursement requests for eligible expenses per the CID Agreement.

The **Donation Fund** was established by the Board of Aldermen in July 2022 to account for financial donations provided to the City of Smithville for both broad and specific municipal purposes. For example, the Donation Fund houses "Legacy Fund" donations, which was specifically created for the purposes of fundraising for signature park and recreation capital projects relying on donor funding.

2024 Fund Summaries	Revenues	Expenditures	Change in Fund Balance	Beginning Cash Balance	Ending Cash Balance
Marketplace TIF Fund	\$913,681	\$1,187,820	(\$274,139)	\$2,489,713	\$2,215,574
Capital Projects Fund	\$10,625	-	\$10,625	\$100,000	\$110,625
ARPA Fund	-	\$141,689	(\$141,689)	\$188,700	\$47,011
Commons CID Fund	\$375,034	\$277,988	\$97,046	\$281,441	\$378,487
Donation Fund	\$14,690	-	\$14,690	\$8,909	\$23,599

The **Police Training Fund** houses funds which are assessed as costs in municipal ordinance cases, including infractions, or violations of any criminal or traffic laws in the state. RMSo Section 488.5336 authorizes the assessment of a \$2.00 surcharge in each case. These funds pay for the training of law enforcement personnel employee or appointed by the City of Smithville. Each month, the City receives the law enforcement training surcharge through court fine collections which is administered by Clay County, MO.

The **Judicial Education Fund** was established to provide funding for continuing education and certification of municipal judges, and the judicial education and training of the court administrator and clerks of a municipal division court. RSMo Section 479.260 authorizes the collection of fees in an amount per case of \$1.00. An allocation of this amount goes into the Judicial Education Fund and the remaining amount is deposited into the Appointed Counsel Fund. After the transfer of municipal court to Clay County, the City no longer collects these funds.

2024 Fund Summaries	Revenues	Expenditures	Change in Fund Balance	Beginning Cash Balance	Ending Cash Balance
Police Training Fund	\$1,498	\$3,489	(\$1,991)	\$13,923	\$11,932
Judicial Education Fund	-	\$915	-	\$3,447	\$2,532
Appointed Counsel Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Technology Upgrade	-	\$28	(\$28)	\$28	-



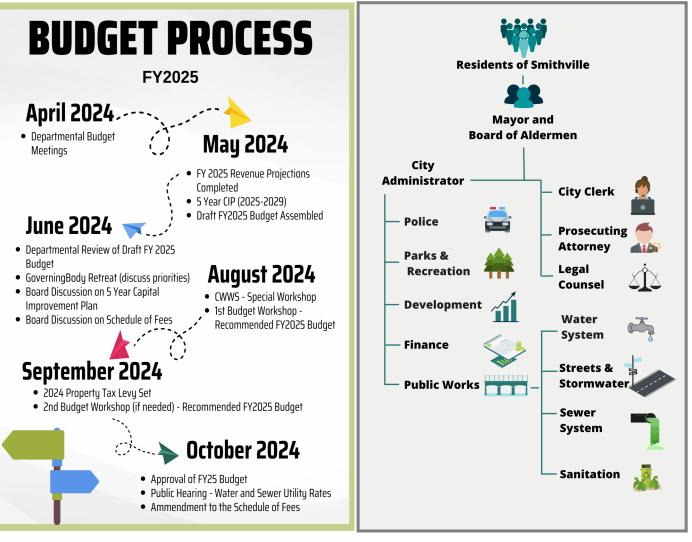
Internal Service Funds

An internal service fund is a fund used in governmental accounting to track goods or services shifted between departments on a cost reimbursement basis

The **Debt Service Fund** accounts for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, long-term debt principal and interest issued by the City. The Debt Service Fund carries an informal reserve which is intended to be sufficient enough to cover the first debt service payments of a fiscal year without the need for additional cash transfers.

The **Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Fund (VERF)** accounts for expenses related to the management of the City's vehicle fleet.

2024 Fund Summaries	Revenues	Expenditures	Change in Fund Balance	Beginning Cash Balance	Ending Cash Balance
Debt Service Fund	\$357,831	\$351,333	\$6,498	\$267,740	\$274,238
Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Fund	\$373851	\$462,386	(\$88,535)	\$163,722	\$75,187



GENERAL FUND

The **General Fund** functions as the **primary operating** fund for the City of Smithville. The General Fund provides the resources necessary to fund a majority of City functions, such as police protection and emergency response, parks maintenance and recreational programs, senior services, code enforcement, permitting, licensing and street and sidewalk maintenance.

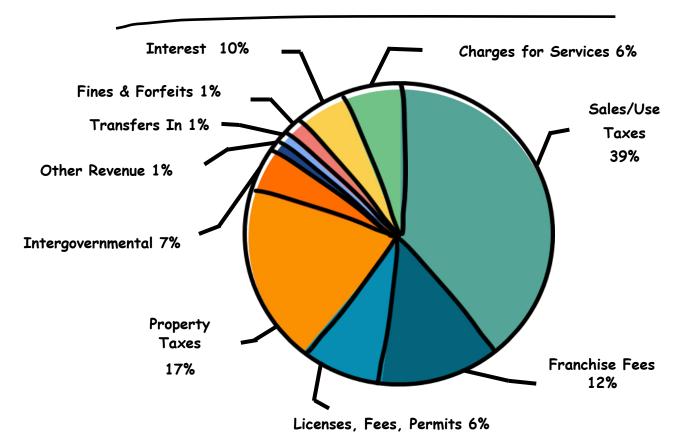
The General Fund is the recipient of revenue from the 1% City Sales Tax, the City Use Tax, property taxes levied on personal and real property, and franchise taxes. Supplementary sources like fines and forfeitures, building permit fees, business license fees, and recreation fees provide additional support to the fund.

	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Beginning Fund Balance	\$3,736,229	\$3,425,221	\$3,963,979
Revenues By Type		•	
Property Taxes	\$1,007,610	\$1,116,997	\$1,175,543
Sales and Use Taxes	\$2,122,572	\$2,362,749	\$2,688,789
Franchise Taxes	\$742,590	\$810,659	\$804,845
Licenses, Fees, and Permits	\$422,663	\$373,175	\$418,733
Intergovernmental Revenues	\$388,676	\$517,658	\$504,352
Charges for Services	\$315,874	\$382,574	\$405,986
Fines and Forfeits	\$118,738	\$115,919	\$91,762
Interest Earnings	\$124,953	\$578,344	\$692,219
Other Revenue	\$72,9812	\$78,119	\$70,458
Transfers In	\$233,621	\$247,651	\$89,413
Total Revenue	\$5,550,279	\$6,583,895	\$6,942,100
Expenses by Type		_	
Personnel Services	\$3,707,608	\$4,242,822	\$4,399,612
Contractual Services	\$602,625	\$447,233	\$441,096
Commodities	\$1,100,292	\$1,037,503	\$1,119,397
Capital Outlay	\$269,174	\$282,579	\$942,413
Transfers Out	\$155,000	\$35,000	\$197,000
Total Expenses	\$5,853,699	\$6,045,137	\$7,099,518

Net Change in Fund Balance	(\$303,419)	\$538,758	(\$157,418)
Ending Fund Balance	\$3,425,221	\$3,963,979	\$3,806,561

WHERE DOES THE MONEY COME FROM?

In FY2024, General Fund revenues totaled more than \$6.9 million, an increase of 5.4% from FY2023. Sales and Use taxes were the largest form of revenue for the City, representing 39% of total revenue. Property taxes make up 17%, and is the second largest category of revenue. Franchise fees for electricity, natural gas, telecommunications, cable television, and utilities are collected and comprise the third largest category of revenue at 12%.

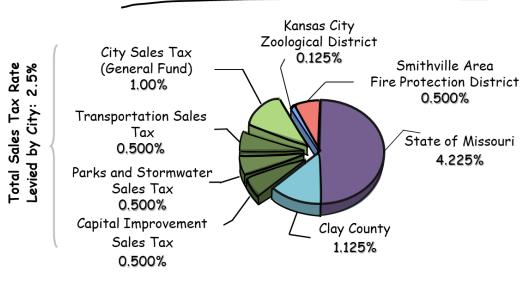


FY24 General Fund Revenue By Category Type

Categories	Examples of Revenue Sources
Licenses, Fees, Permits	Building Permits, Business Licenses, Motor Vehicle Fees.
Intergovernmental	Motor Fuel Tax, Grant Revenue, SRO Agreement Revenue, Federal and State Funding.
Charges for Services	Smith's Fork Campground Fees, Athletic Field Rental, Youth & Adult Recreation Fees.
Fines and Forfeits	Fines and fees relating to violations of any City ordinances.
Interest Earnings	Interest Earned from Cash Balance at Bank.
Other Revenue	Sponsorships, Animal Shelter Fees, Sale of Personal Property.
Transfers In	Revenue Transferred In from Other Funds.

SALES TAX OVERVIEW

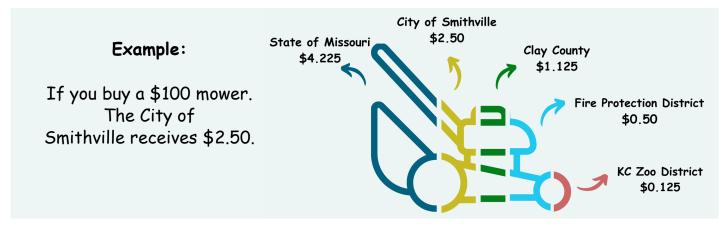
The Total Sales Tax rate in the City of Smithville is 8.475%. The Sales Tax is distributed as the following: The State of Missouri receives 4.225%, Clay County receives 1.125%, Smithville Area Fire Protection District receives 0.500%, the Kansas City Zoological District receives 0.125%, and the City of Smithville receives 2.5%. The Smithville Commons CID has an additional 1% CID Sales Tax to pay for public infrastructure in the district. The total rate for Commons CID is 9.475%. *City of Smithville–Sales Tax Rate Breakdown*



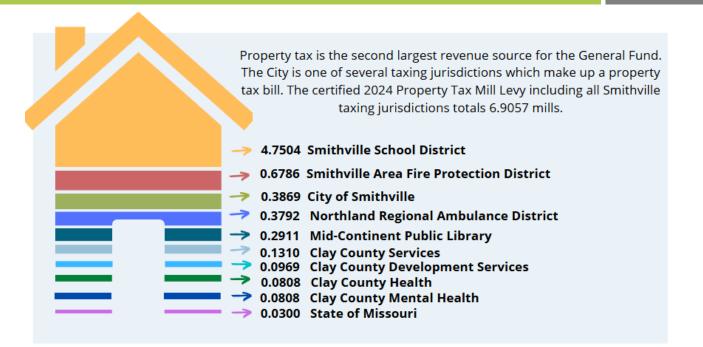
Total Rate in City: 8.475%

How does the City use the Sales Tax Revenue?

Sales Taxes are authorized by state statute are distributed into four funds. The three special sales taxes, the Transportation Sales Tax, Park and Stormwater Sales Tax, and Capital Improvement Sales Tax, are all voter-approved (See page 6). The 1.00% General Fund Sales Tax pays for a majority of City functions, such as police protection and emergency response, parks maintenance, and sidewalk maintenance, etc. The 0.5% Transportation Sales Tax pays for road maintenance projects. The 0.5% Parks and Stormwater Sales Tax pays for Parks capital improvement projects and stormwater control. The 0.5% Capital Improvement Sales Tax is used to fund capital improvement projects within the City.



PROPERTY TAX OVERVIEW



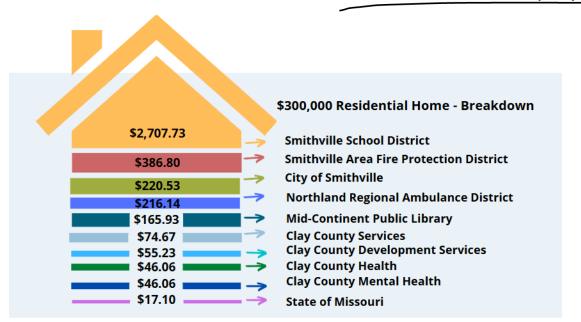
Example:

If a house has an **appraised (market) value** of \$300,000, its **assessed value** will be **\$57,000**.

This number can be calculated by multiplying the appraised value by the **residential assessment** factor which is **19%**. The assessment factor for agricultural properties is 12% and 32% for commercial properties. \$300,000 × 19% = **\$ 57,000** (Assessed value)

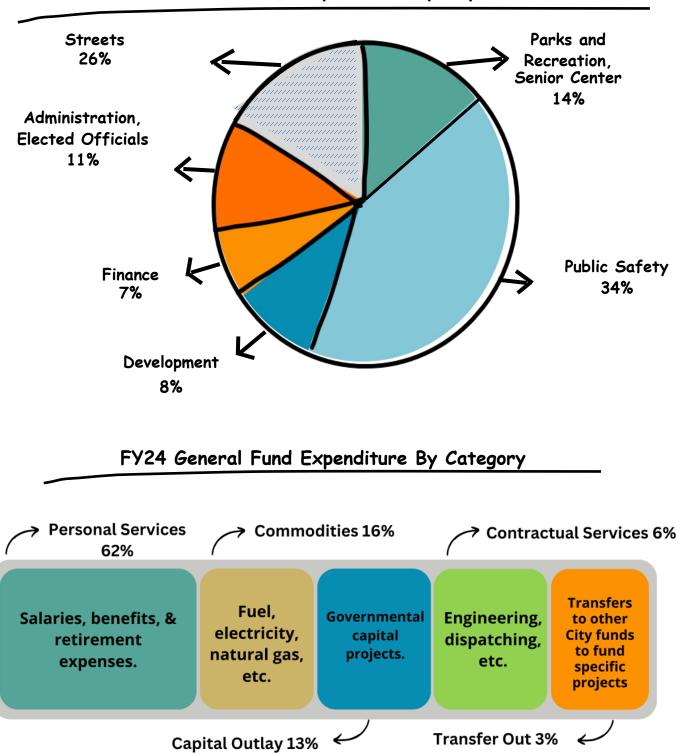
The assessed value is then multiplied by the mill levy. The owner of this house will pay a total of **\$3,936.25**. The City of Smithville will receive **\$220.53** of the total tax bills. This breaks down to **\$18.38** per month in support of city services including police protection, park maintenance, etc.

\$57,000 × 6.9057% = \$3,936.25 (Total Property Tax)



WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

FY2024 General Fund expenditures totaled \$7,099,518. Approximately 74% of this total was spent on Public Safety, Parks and Recreation, and Streets. The remaining departments make up the rest of General Fund expenditures.





WHAT DOES THE CITY OWE?

The City uses cash to fund most projects (pay as you go). However, sometimes uses different types of financing to fund some projects. Some of this financing types includes General Obligation Bonds (GO), Certificates of Participation (COP), etc.

GO Bonds	Certificates of Participation (COP)
GO Bonds represents a loan made by an	COPs are a type of financing where an investor
investor to the City. Bond details include the	purchases a share of the lease revenues of a
end date when the principal of the loan is due to	program rather than the bond being secured by
be paid and include the terms for variable or	those revenues. COPs are secured by lease
fixed interest payments. GO Bonds must be	revenues and do not need to be voter-approved.
voter-approved. In 2018, voters approved the	The City issued COPs in 2012 and 2018 for water
issuance of \$5,625,000 in GO debt for the City	and wastewater improvements.
for various projects, notably Downtown	
Streetscape and Second Creek Road Bridge.	
As of November 1, 2024, the City's GO balance	As of November 1, 2024, the City has \$6,830,000
is \$4,905,000.	in COP debt remaining. Detailed schedule is in-
	cluded in the Comprehensive Annual Report avail-
	able on the City's website.

How is our score?

Bond Rating: A bond rating provides a general credit risk evaluation. Bond ratings indicate the general quality of a bond, including the likelihood that investors will receive their money back when they lend it out. Higher bond ratings mean lower interest rates, which save taxpayers dollars. Our current rating is "**AA-**" which is considered as "**very strong**".

This rating reflects that the City has a strong economy and is adequately managed with standard financial policies and practices under S&P Global Financial Management Assessment methodology.



S&P Bond Rating Scale

Future Debt Planning

The City continues to proactively identify future infrastructure needs and improvements as outlined in the Water and Wastewater Master Plan. Future utility capital improvement projects which may require funding via debt issuance are outlined below.

Capital Improvement Project	Timeline
144th Lift Station, West Bypass, Stone Bridge Lift Station	FY2025
Owens Branch Gravity Line Phase #1, Line #1, #2 & #3 (Construction)	FY2026 start
Water Treatment Plant Expansion (Construction)	FY2029 start
Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion (Construction)	FY2029 start
Forest Oaks Gravity Line	FY2030
South Booster Pump Station Improvements	FY2030
Water Main Improvements to North Tower	FY2030











- Trained and licensed two drone pilots.
- Replaced four Mobile Data Terminals in patrol cars. •
- Replaced four TASERs.

- Installed and implemented new scheduling software. •
- Implemented police officer Mental Health Check In Program. .
- One officer completed field training.
- Graduated three recruits in the police academy. •
- · Recognized patrol officer and sergeant collective bargaining units and completed negotiations of labor agreements.

•	Subdivision Checks	13,168	(So)	\sim
•	Business Safety Checks	4,020		
•	Arrests	409	A A A A	
•	Motorist Assistance	202	and the second second	A AND AND A
•	Check Welfare	265		
•	Suspicious Activity/Vehicle	292	AND PROS	and de
•	Motor Vehicle Crash	172		
•	Alarm	216		
•	Animal Call	218	and the second	4-1-
•	Disturbance	235		[4
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Water Distribution System



Collected more than 120 samples in the water distribution system. Information was sent to the Department of Natural Resources.



Plant personnel conducted 150 tests per day in the lab which equates to more than 54,000 tests a year.

Completed 1,771 work orders including: connections, meter changes, sump pump inspections, rereads, etc.





• Produced more than 371 million gallons of safe drinking water.



- Completed 37 water taps for new construction.
- Repaired 24 water main breaks and 7 fire hydrants.
- Completed 3,084 utility locates





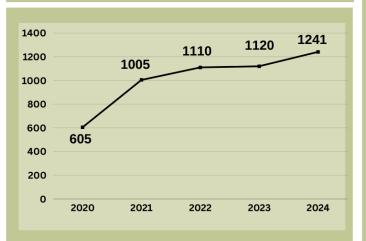
Wastewater Treatment Plant

- Completed SBR #3 cleaning, motive pump rebuild, and replaced all 3 SBR influent valves, bringing the plant back into compliance.
- Pulled, cleaned, and serviced UV lights five times for proper disinfection; upsized recirculation pump and piping to maintain water levels.
- Conducted all required testing and maintenance per MoDNR standards.
- Rehabilitated 3,765 feet of sewer main as part of the annual slip line project.
- Performed major repairs on 21 pumps and replaced 17 lift station floats.
- Addressed five contractor-repaired lift station issues and jetted 18 sewer mains for blockages.
- Completed two force main repairs and repaired one manhole.

- Completed the remodel of the restroom at Spillway Park. All park restrooms have been updated within the last five years.
- As part of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan, the Senior Center has been upgraded and repurposed to allow additional use as a community programming center.
- · Repainted parking lot lines at all City-owned parking lots.
- Repaired 10 water leaks at Smith's Fork Campground.
- Removed the Heritage Park bandstand.



Completed the installation of a new restroom and sidewalks at Diamond Crest Park.



Grew participation in current programs and added more non-recreational programs 5,517 programs and event registrations and 1,241 sports. 121 more sport registrations than last year.

- · Hosted the first Citizen's Academy.
- Board approved enhancement to LAGERS.
 Employee Retirement Program.
- Completed first year of new MOU with the Smithville Chamber of Commerce.
- Continued partnership with Smithville Main Street
 District.
- Administered the third year of the Neighborhood Beautification Grant Program.
- Supported and enhanced the Employee Wellness Program.
- Researched and responded to 83 record requests.



Completed updates to the pickleball courts at Smith's Fork.

- Issued 93 residential building permits with a total value of \$24,715,319.
- Issued 17 commercial permits, of these seven new commercial construction and 10 commercial tenant finish permits (for remodeling of a building) with a total value of \$2,594,688.
- Added four new subdivisions: Mt. Olivet (Phase I) and Estate at Monterey Bay (Phase II), Clay Creek Meadows, Second Creek Meadows, and Queen's Corner.



Construction of the Fairview Crossing North strip mall was completed in June 2024. This new construction building has the potential for up to 10 tenant sites. It adds numerous job opportunities to Smithville.



The Tenant Finish project for Welco Brewing Project was completed in August 2024. The renovation included 2,929 square feet of interior area as well as adding outdoor seating. The brewery is the first of its kind in Smithville.

- Staff members obtained ICC Commercial Building Inspector Certification and ICC Permit Technician Certification.
- Received the GFOA Distinguished Budget Award for the FY2023 Budget Document (5th straight year).
- Migrated to new financial software.
- Implemented banking system program to prevent fraud.
- Implemented Utility Billing Cashiering, a Tyler Technologies business model with upgraded features for both City of Smithville utility department and its customers.
- Implemented Tyler Content Manager, a Tyler Technologies module increasing ease of use and efficiency for business transactions.



Street maintenance crews poured 80 yards of concrete in various street repairs and sidewalk replacements.





The Senior Center expanded the programs they offer and grew participation. A new daily attendance record was set in August with 37 people attending and a lunch record was set in September with 44 people attending.



Maintained the condition of the roads through patching and crack sealing programs. Used 15,000 lbs of crack sealing blocks and 205 tons of asphalt to maintain the condition of the roads.



Installed a new bar screen at the Wastewater Treatment Plant to improve trash removal.



Responded to seven snow events in 2023-2024 Used 2,200 gallons of brine and 140 tons of salt.



