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1. Intersection Improvements: 2nd & Bryant

This project includes the installation of dual left-turn and single right-turn lanes in all directions. The contractor is Crossland Heavy Construction, and they are on schedule for the one-year completion target date of July 2022. The sanitary sewer work is completed, and the water line work on Bryant will soon be completed as well. Portions of the paving have been removed and the storm sewer is being installed.

We apologize again for the major inconvenience for both the travelling public and businesses in the area.

The cost of the project is \$7.5M, with funding coming from the 2017 repurposed capital improvements sales tax.

2. Redevelopment of Stephenson Park

Freese and Nichols is the design firm for the project and they have submitted the 90% plans which now include streetscape along 4th Street and regional stormwater detention. The detention will greatly improve the development potential of the property from 2nd Street south to the park between Broadway and Boulevard. The park and museum will also be a focal point for a small development district.

The plan is to bid the project in late November/December and start construction soon after the award. We'll know more about specific timelines as we get closer to the bid date.

The estimated cost of the project is \$4.8M, including the streetscape and detention additions. \$3M of this cost will come from the City's allocation of funds from the American Rescue Plan Act. The rest of the funding will come from the 2017 repurposed capital improvements sales tax.

3. Traffic Signals & Turn Lanes for Exit/Entrance Ramps at I-35 & Covell

All Roads Paving is the contractor, and they have started work on the grading for the additional paving on the northbound off ramp. This project continues to be delayed by the shortage of construction materials that is occurring across the country. At this point the signal poles are scheduled to be delivered in December.

The time frame for the project once all the materials have been received is approximately six months. The contract amount is \$1.7M, and the City is providing all the funding through the 2000 capital improvements sales tax.

4. Sales & Use Taxes

Tax collections for August are included in our fourth monthly check of the fiscal year. Sales tax revenue increased by 7.8% over the same month last year, and now cumulatively for the year are also up about 7.8%. Use taxes increased 11.7% this month over last year, and cumulatively are now up about 13% for the year. These combined revenue sources have increased about 8.8% for the year.

5. Danforth Water Line

This major project features the installation of a 24" water line that will connect the tower at the Blake Service soccer fields to the water tower at Ayers on the UCO campus. 4M Trenching is the contractor and the project is expected to be completed about a year from now. The traffic signal at Chowning should be operable again in the very near future.

\$9.1M is the price tag for this project, and it is identified in the Revised Water Master Plan Update that is available for public review on the City's web site.

Respectfully submitted

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