Monthly Grants Status Report

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Community Planning & Economic Development (CPED)

- Planning

At the June 7 Planning Commission meeting, the Commission voted to:

1. Approve a special use permit to allow a lodge use at 701 Riverview Drive/911 Hotop.

2. Recommend to the City Commission to rezone several parcels along E. Cork Street between Miller Road and Highway I-94 from Zone M-1 to Zone CC.

3. Recommend to the City Commission to approve the vacation of the north 105 feet of Foresman Avenue.

Three site plans were processed in June as follows. Six pre-application site plan cases were also processed. Planning staff received two requests to vacate public street/right of ways (ROWs) on Sheldon Street and between Marketplace Blvd. and Stockbridge Avenue.

- Building & Trades
In June there were 239 permits issued, representing $3,129,077 in construction valuation. These figures brought year-to-date permits to 1,636 representing year-to-date construction valuation of $19,545,119.

- **Zoning**

At the June 14, Zoning Board of Appeals meeting the Board:

1. Denied a dimensional variance for 515 square foot wall sign variance request for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers at 3641 E. Cork St. The large sign would have covered the entire south facing wall of the building.

2. Approved a use variance to allow ground floor residential units for the River Caddis Development Corp at 508 Harrison Street and also a dimensional variance of 45 off-street parking spaces for the mixed use project proposed. This mixed use project will include 120 residential units and 7,500 square feet of commercial spaces in the first phase of development. The second phase will involve adding 5,000 square foot commercial building for a total of six buildings on the site.

- **Economic Development**

Economic Development staff attended the Michigan Strategic Fund Board meeting to show support for the incentive request for the Lot 2 redevelopment project.

A Neighborhood Enterprise Zone in the Vine Neighborhood was created and will be referred to as The Park-Cedar-Burdick-Lovell Area Neighborhood Enterprise Zone.

A targeted outreach meeting was held for the purpose of gathering input to inform the Climate Action Plan that Economic Development staff are currently drafting. Approximately 45 people attended the event.

Economic Development has two interns who started in June. Their main duties are researching and drafting the updated Site Prioritization and Acquisition Plan and Climate Action Plan.

- **I.T.**

The I.T. department handled 600 calls and closed 484 help desk tickets in June.

- **Human Resources (HR)**

Staff reviewed two positions to determine classification levels.

Staff completed pre-employment testing guides.

- **Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety (KDPS)**
Newly hired officers are continuing to work with their respective full time officers. Due to the move to digitalize recordkeeping, status updates on the new hires are immediate, allowing for the Training Division to see where extra or reinforced training may be necessary.

The Service Division has obtained a new radar trailer, patrol vehicles and bidding various vendors for water softeners and new uniforms.

CID detectives have been investigating multiple shootings and property crimes.

Public Safety patrol officers continue to address neighborhood traffic concerns, perform property checks and work on the issue of panhandling.

On June 23, KDPS employees offered their time to clean-up the Ada Street corridor.

The Kalamazoo Valley Enforcement Team (KVET) continued the battle against drug trafficking in and about the city of Kalamazoo. They performed 21 investigations but did not seize any guns. No labs have been discovered to-date.

Management Services

- **Accounting**
  
  Staff are preparing CAFR stats information while we wait on statement drafts to review.

- **Budget**

  A capital planning meeting was held on June 21 and Parks and Recreation presented their 2019 capital projects. Another meeting is scheduled for June 28 for Public Services to present the 2019 streets projects and heavy equipment.

  The Priority Based Budgeting (PBB) information was migrated to the new online tool. The new tool will be evaluated and presented to leadership.

  The 2017 cost allocation plan is complete. Staff will be meeting to discuss what needs to be included in the 2019 budget plan.

- **Assessing**

  Summer tax bills will be mailed out on June 29 and June 30. July 1 is the first day that summer tax bills can be paid.

- **Financial Services**

  The 13th check was calculated and distributed on June 28. There were a total of 95 participants totaling $310,859.87.
Parks and Recreation

➢ Recreation Division

The Recreation Division have the majority of the summer programs and camps starting in June, as well as all the new summer staff to help run the programs.

Staff will host over 300 youth each week in our Camp Kzoo, Supervised Playground and All Things Possible programs. All of the programs mentioned run from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with an early morning drop-off option for Camp Kzoo registrants from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. for parents that have to be at work earlier. Although the youth in these programs typically stay on-site, there are multiple trips built into the programs.

Special Events staff have been busy hosting Lunchtime Live! which started June 8. Skate Jam began on June 21 and Movies in the Parks on June 15. Skate Jam and Movies in the Park both drew a nice crowd while Lunchtime Live! has exceeded expectations thus far. The number of vendors has grown to a consistent 20 or more and the crowd also continues to grow.

Kik Pool has been operating since June 9 and has seen over 1,500 guests. This number does not include the swim clubs and swim meet that took place June 22 through 24.

➢ Communication/Outreach

Staff attended Field Days at LaCrone Park and Southside Park to gain community input while we are in the process of updating the five-year Master Plan.

Staff attended the Kalamazoo Bike Week meeting representing the City in hopes to host a Bike Week event in the near future.

Staff attended various elementary schools in Kalamazoo to talk to the youth about summer reading and what programs we have that support that initiative.

Staff have been collecting survey responses on tablets at all events that will be used when updating the five-year Master Plan.

➢ Parks Division

Open houses, birthday parties, and pavilion rentals increased this month as summer was in full swing. The Kik Pool opened for the season on June 9 and another successful swim meet was held on the weekend of June 23.

Numerous park improvement projects continued this month. Frays Park work was well underway. The walking path was graded and tennis courts were resurfaced. Battling the rain has caused the project to be delayed. The asphalt for the path is being poured on July 2 and the project should be complete by the second week in July.

The improvements at Henderson Tot Lot began the middle of the month. The old play equipment was removed and demolished, the basketball court was removed and the site was graded in anticipation of the new play equipment being delivered on July 11. Work will continue through the summer in hopes of being completed in August.
The second phase of Davis St. Park is moving along. The skate plaza foundation was poured and the site was leveled. The contractor producing the skate elements is delivering the furnishings on July 11 to begin installation. Work is on schedule to be completed by the end of July.

Rockwell Park improvements were awarded the middle of June and the contractor expects to begin the beginning of July. Construction is expected to take the rest of the summer.

➢ Communication/Outreach

On June 16, staff participated in the Summer Spruce Up hosted by Building Blocks Kalamazoo. Volunteers helped work on park projects at Sherwood Park. The park saw the installation of a new sign and a new flower bed surrounding the sign. New picnic tables were built, new mulch was installed at the playground, a new concrete pad was poured and a new grill will be installed for residents to enjoy. We also had a large group that was able to help clean up the park of limbs, leaves and debris. Volunteers helped from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and were then treated to a picnic and yard games. It was a great turnout and there was a tremendous amount of work completed by all. We will be planning to partner for another clean up.

Public Services

➢ Support Services Division

Installation of real-time GPS units on citywide fleet has started with assigned vehicles.

Staff continued meeting with Purchasing and Financial Services managers to evaluate and coordinate efforts on the new change order and supplemental processes.

There were 62 new recycling cart requests taken during June. There were 194 tons of recycling and 403 tons of bulk material removed from the curbsides during June.

➢ Public Works Division

Utility work is complete on Locust Street. Lead removal services have been completed on Vine Street. There is concrete work on Vine from Davis to Locust.

The utility crossing at Michigan is set to commence as a continuous construction effort beginning June 29. Barring any unforeseen discoveries or mother nature, Michigan Avenue is scheduled to be open for Monday morning traffic. Project coordination between Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the Radisson have been essential to moving this project forward with the least impact to the stakeholders and motoring public as possible.

Staff are working on an easement with Western Michigan University for Howard Street Pedestrian improvements.

Staff are working on concrete on Oakland and Howard. Cameras are being installed on W. Michigan for the W. Michigan/Howard Traffic signal upgrade project.

A pre-construction meeting is going to be scheduled for Pitcher Street from Kalamazoo to Michigan Avenue.
➢ **Wastewater Operations Division**

The Wastewater Treatment Plant has been working on identifying scripts that need to be written for 311 Customer Service.

The Wastewater Treatment Plant staff have been investigating possible causes of high fecal coliform counts. Repairs have been made to the outfall structure and counts have come down which is helping with disinfection chemical usage.

The Wastewater Treatment Plant has received wastewater treatment plant influent and effluent sampling results for the new PFAS (perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances) as required by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ). Data is being shared with industrial sites that were sampled.

The Wastewater Treatment Plant staff attended annual Storm water training for the Wastewater Treatment Plant and MS4 storm water training.

The Wastewater Treatment Plant will resume odor control testing with chemical addition to bio solids. Another odor control pilot test for the bunker area and trucks will begin in July.

➢ **Water Operations Division**

There were 70 non-copper water services replaced during the month of April. In 2018, a total of 164 have been replaced. Two Boil Water Advisories and subsequent Liftings were issued in June associated with water infrastructure repair.

Staff completed 22 storm water outfall evaluations, eleven cross-connection inspections, distributed the annual Water Quality Reports to selected facilities, and responded to a complaint regarding an illicit discharge. Staff is also reviewing a draft Cross Connection Control ordinance prepared by H2O Compliance Services and are working on updates to the Cross-Connection Program Plan.

Engineering Technicians have responded to 17,512 MISS DIG requests so far in 2018. Staff are working with Bronson Healthcare and CSM Group regarding the underground tunnel utilities on Walnut Street.

A replacement well is being installed at Water Pumping Station 4 by the Ohio Drilling Company. Peerless-Midwest will begin work on rehabilitating two production wells at Water Pumping Station 1 (Central) in July. Purchase orders are being prepared for several well rehabilitations for Peerless-Midwest, the Ohio Drilling Company, and Northern Pump and Well. City staff are performing auto-surging on several wells.

The MDEQ’s contractor, AECOM collected samples from fifteen of the City’s sixteen water pumping stations for PFAs/PFOs on June 22.