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To: Elk Grove Mayor and Council

From: Laura S. Gill, City Manager *Laura S. Gill*

Subject: **City Manager's General Administrative Report for March 11, 2009**

This is a report by the City Manager to the Elk Grove City Council. This report provides information on issues affecting the City and the progress of City activities.

Market Study Collaborative

The City of Elk Grove, in partnership with the Economic Development Corporation, hosted a collaborative forum on March 5 to discuss the proposed market study for the Elk Grove region. The proposed market study will identify regional growth expectations and future land use projections as well as economic development strategies for the Elk Grove region. Participants included representatives from the Chamber of Commerce, Cosumnes Community Services District, Elk Grove Unified School District, Frontier Communications, SMUD, Surewest, Cosumnes River College, Kaiser Permanente, Methodist Hospitals, Elk Grove Commerce Bank, DeVry University, individual residential and non residential developers, engineers, the Building Industry Association, and Sacramento County.

There was not only significant support for the market study concept but also numerous organizations indicated their willingness to pledge financial contributions. Next steps include development of request for proposals (RFP) to identify a consultant to complete the study and formation of a steering committee to guide the effort. The next collaborative meeting is scheduled for April 9.

Union Pacific Rail Crossing Work

Union Pacific Railroad will be performing track maintenance at all major road crossings which include Grant Line, Sheldon, Elk Grove-Florin, and Elk Grove Boulevard. Work is currently scheduled to begin on March 16 at Sheldon Road and finish at Elk Grove Boulevard on April 3. To accomplish the work, all local street traffic including vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian will be prevented from crossing the tracks 24hrs/day until the work at each location is complete.

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Pavement Overlays

Funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) and Measure A will provide funding for major sections of our primary streets to receive pavement overlays beginning in April and lasting through the summer. Staff is working on traffic detours and staging to minimize traffic disruption. Cooperation and patience will be much appreciated while we complete this very important work.

Kammerer Road Extension

The City of Elk Grove, in conjunction with Sacramento County, is developing a Project Study Report (PSR) for the proposed Kammerer Road extension to I-5. The extension will provide circulation and mobility to support existing and planned growth within the County's and City's general plans. There will be a public meeting to discuss this project as detailed below:

- Date: Thursday, March 12
- Time: 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. (6:15 p.m. formal presentation)
- Where: Carroll Elementary School, 10325 Stathos Drive, Elk Grove, 95757

For questions regarding this project, please contact Gary Grunwald, Senior Project Manager, at (916) 478-2236 or ggrunwald@elkgrovecity.org

I remain available to answer any questions regarding this report.

