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To: Elk Grove Mayor and Council

From: Laura S. Gill, City Manager

Subject: **City Manager's General Administrative Report for August 26, 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.

Citywide Survey

Starting this week, select households will receive an anonymous survey regarding the quality of city services. More than 1,200 households selected at random throughout the City are being asked to participate. The feedback the City receives will set benchmarks for tracking the quality of services provided to residents and help the City Council make decisions that impact the community. If you receive a survey by mail and have any questions, please call 478-2201.

Online Communication

The way our residents get their news and information about the City of Elk Grove is changing. In order to gauge how residents want to get their information and stay informed about City issues, the City has created a brief online survey. To participate, visit the City's Web site at www.elkgrovecity.org.

Project of the Year

I'm pleased to announce the Sacramento chapter of the American Public Works Association (APWA) selected Elk Grove Interchange Reconstruction Projects for the 2009 Transportation Project of the Year Award, which included the Grant Line and Sheldon Interchange projects. The APWA Awards Program recognizes projects that demonstrate excellence in management, administration, design, construction and community relations.

Sharps Collection Program

In October 2008, Council passed the Curbside Sharps Collection Program and Allied Waste began picking up sharps containers on January 1, 2009. In order to educate others about this innovative program, Kim Perry, Integrated Waste Coordinator, spoke at the California Resources Recovery Association (CRRRA) conference in Rancho Mirage, CA, on Monday, August 3, 2009, on the subject of "Successful Curbside Sharps Collection Program in Elk Grove". Roughly 35 people from various jurisdictions in CA were in attendance at the presentation to learn about our new program.

New Business License Report

Each month new businesses apply for and receive business licenses and the City regularly receives requests for that information through the Freedom of Information Act. In an effort to make it easier to access this information, the report is now online and will be available at the beginning of each month. To learn more, visit our Web site or call the Business License Department at (916) 478-2211.

I remain available to answer any questions regarding this report.

