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To: Mayor and City Council

From: Jason Behrmann, City Manager

Subject: City Manager's General Administrative Report for April 10, 2024

Time for Some Family Fun

Gather the family and enjoy an afternoon of fun this Saturday, April 13, at Family Fun Day from Noon to 4 p.m. at the Old Town Plaza (9615 Railroad Street). This free event organized by the Elk Grove Youth Commission will feature carnival games, music, activities, and more. Food will be available for purchase.

Grazing Management Program

The City's four-legged landscapers have returned. Nearly 7,000 sheep and goats have joined the Public Works teams to lower the fire danger in heavily weeded areas. Want to track where they go? The Goat Tracker map can be found on the City's Grazing Management Program web page. All work should be completed by June.

Zoo Project Community Update

A virtual workshop to provide the community with an overview of the Zoo Project and Financing Plans is scheduled on Wednesday, April 17, at 6 p.m. The public is encouraged to attend online and ask questions. Details and a link to register for the workshop can be found at elkgrovecity.org/zoo.

Library Project Call for Artists

The Elk Grove Arts Commission is seeking proposals for a public art sculpture for the new Elk Grove Library. This project will infuse more public art into the historic district and provide a warm welcome to visitors. Artists are invited to submit their statements of qualifications by 4 p.m. on Thursday, April 18.

Senior Housing Community Meeting

Mutual Housing and their partner Mogavero Architects will host the first of a series of community meetings on their planned 89-unit senior housing complex in Old Town on Thursday, April 18, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Elk Grove Public Library (8900 Elk Grove Blvd). Attendees will have an opportunity to learn more about Mutual Housing, the project design process, and the development timeline. Additional meeting dates will be shared as they become available.

Special Waste Collection Center Celebrates 10 Years of Operation

Earth Day (April 22) marks the 10-year anniversary of Elk Grove's Special Waste Collection Center (SWCC). Since opening its doors in 2014, the SWCC has collected 594 tons of household hazardous waste. That's roughly the same weight as 40 fire trucks!

The facility plays a vital role in local conservation and sustainability, keeping excess materials out of the landfill and repurposing items in the Reuse Room. Stop by the facility Sunday through Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, visit www.elkgrovecity.org/recycle.

Water Fitness Demo Days

Sample some of the water fitness classes offered at the Elk Grove Aquatics Center for free during two special Demo Days scheduled April 20 and 28. Cosumnes Parks and Recreation Department will offer sample classes in Deep Water Aerobics, Aqua Jogging, Aqua Spin, Stretch and more. Pre-registration is required. Visit www.cosumnescsd.gov for details.

Career Fair for Tech Industry

The City and CyberProud will host a technology-focused career event on Thursday, April 23 at District56 from 4-7 p.m. This event will connect visitors with some of the brightest minds in cyber security, infrastructure support, and software development. The event is free to attend, but registration is required. Space is limited. Dress for an interview. Learn more at www.cyberproud.org.

I am available to answer any questions regarding this report.

ATTACHMENT A

STANDING CITYWIDE INITIATIVES UPDATE

Updated as of Wednesday, April 10, 2024

District56

Description: The City is developing a multi-phased recreational campus on 56 acres just east of Big Horn Boulevard and south of Civic Center Drive. The site is known as District56 to honor the suggestion of “District” during the public naming process and 56 for the number of acres on the site. Individual projects are described in detail below. The Elk Grove Aquatics Center, the Center (including Senior Center and Veterans Hall), The Avenue of the Arts/Commons, Veterans Grove and the Preserve Nature Area are complete and operational. Future planned phases include a library and performing arts center.

The District56 website has been launched and can be found at: <http://www.district56elkgrove.com/>.

Amenity: Library and Performing Arts
The City has finalized a plan for the future Library and Cultural Arts Center (including a Performing Arts Center). Recommendations were presented to the Council on August 22, 2018 and were well received. The cost estimate (prepared in 2018) for the facility is between \$82-\$113 million depending on the program size and additional amenities desired.

Project Elevate: An Elevated Retail, Dining, and Entertainment Experience for Elk Grove

Description: The City owns a 20-acre property at the southeast corner of Elk Grove and Big Horn Boulevard, just north of District56 (the Civic Center/Aquatics Center) and is exploring future opportunities for the site. Specifically, the City is evaluating development of a mixed-use project that includes retail, dining, entertainment, office, and residential uses, as well as a hotel. The objective of the project is to elevate the level of retail, dining, entertainment, residential, and hospitality amenities in the City, while at the same time developing a site with enhanced design elements that promote pedestrian activity and include central, public gathering spaces. For these reasons, the City refers to this as Project Elevate.

Update: At its August 10, 2022 meeting, the City Council approved execution of an Exclusive Negotiation Agreement (ENA) with developer Hines. On May 15, 2023, Hines provided the City with notice of termination under the ENA. Hines and the City were unable to come to terms on proceeding with the development within the timeframe the City desires and in a manner that preserves the City’s vision for the site. Staff and the Project Elevate City Council Ad-Hoc Subcommittee are now working to identify alternative developers capable of proceeding with the project.

Sacramento Zoo Relocation

Description: The City is working with the Sacramento Zoological Society (SZS) on a possible relocation of the Sacramento Zoo to Elk Grove. A potential site for the zoo has been identified along Lotz Parkway just north of Kammerer Road.

Update: The Planning Commission is scheduled to consider the proposed Zoo at their April 4, 2024, meeting. A public meeting to discuss the Financing Plan will be held on April 17, 2024, via Zoom. Details are available on the City's website at www.elkgrovecity.org/zoo.

Capital Southeast Connector Joint Powers Association (JPA)

Description: The Five agency Joint Powers Association (City of Elk Grove, City of Folsom, City of Rancho Cordova, County of Sacramento, County of El Dorado) are working to develop a connector road linking Hwy 50 in El Dorado County at the future Silva Valley Interchange in El Dorado Hills with Interstate 5 at the Hood Franklin Interchange.

Update: Sheldon Area
The Grant Line Road Precise Roadway Plan Study that focused on the 2.7-mile Segment C of the Connector was presented to City Council on August 24, 2022 where Council agreed with the recommended Roundabouts versus Signals and the inclusion of an additional intersection between Sheldon Road and Calvine Road to reduce out of direction travel. Direction to initiate further analysis of the Wilton Road Intersection alternatives, and the incorporation of the preferred intersection controls into the Rural Area Community Plan of the General Plan as part of a future General Plan Update was also provided. Project WTR091 is programmed to begin the environmental assessment of Grant Line Road between Sherman Oaks Court to Aleilani Lane. The contract is in the final execution process and the project kickoff meeting has been scheduled for the end of April.

Kammerer Road Extension

Description: The City plans to extend and eventually widen Kammerer Road between Highway 99 and Interstate 5, providing an east-west connector bypassing downtown Sacramento and alleviating traffic congestion on Laguna and Elk Grove Boulevards. The project also includes a grade separated crossing over the railroad tracks.

Update: Kammerer Road Extension
The City is preparing 30% plans for the extension of Kammerer Road from I-5 to Bruceville. The environmental phase of the project has been completed and the City can now move into the Final Design and Right Of Way Acquisition phase with the Final PSE Cooperative Agreement signed by all parties on 02/07/2024. The Final Design Consultant has started final design efforts and will be assisting the City with seeking grant opportunities for the project. Earlier this month, the City was informed the Kammerer project was one of thirty-six projects added to the California Public Utilities Commission's Railroad Grade Separation Priority List for Fiscal Years 2024-2025 and 2025-2026. By being on this list, the project is eligible for future grant funds of up to \$5 million to construct the Kammerer overcrossing of the Union Pacific Railroad. As part of this grant opportunity, the City attended and presented on the Kammerer overcrossing at an Evidentiary Hearing on April 3, 2024 with the California Public Utilities Commission and Caltrans.

ATTACHMENT B

UPCOMING FORUMS AND OUTREACH EVENTS

Updated as of Wednesday, April 10, 2024

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Family Fun Day	April 13 12/Noon	Old Town Plaza 9615 Railroad Street
Dia de la Concha	April 14 10 a.m.	District56 8230 Civic Center Drive
Trails Committee Meeting	April 15 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Diversity & Inclusion Commission Meeting	April 16 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Disability Advisory Committee Meeting	April 17 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Zoo Project Virtual Community Workshop	April 17 6 p.m.	Online via Zoom
Planning Commission Meeting	April 18 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Latin Night Market	April 19 5 p.m.	District56 9701 Big Horn Blvd
FitFest	April 20 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Laguna Community Park 9014 Bruceville Road
Water Fitness Demo Day	April 20 1 p.m.	Elk Grove Aquatics Center 9701 Big Horn Blvd
Bloomfest	April 21 11 a.m.	Elk Grove Regional Park 9950 Elk Grove Florin Rd
Volunteer Appreciation Reception	April 22 5:30 p.m.	The Center at District56 8230 Civic Center Drive
City Council Meeting	April 24 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way

ATTACHMENT C

STATUS OF COUNCIL DIRECTION/FOLLOW UP MATTERS

Updated as of Wednesday, April 10, 2024

The following is a status report of matters requested by the City Council during prior Council meetings.

Date	Direction/Follow Up	Status
There are no open items.		