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September 11, 2024

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Jason Behrmann, City Manager 

Subject: City Manager's General Administrative Report for September 11, 2024

Year-Round Shelter in the Works.

The City is planning to open a new year-round shelter for adults experiencing homelessness this fall at Calvary Christian Center Elk Grove. The shelter could operate through October 2028 while the City works to identify a suitable permanent location. The program will provide compassionate care and wrap-around services for up to 35 Elk Grove residents who may be having difficulty securing housing on their own.

Two community meetings have been scheduled to share the efforts underway to provide an alternative to homeless encampments and extend a hand up to those residents who need it most. Both meetings will be drop-in Open House events with information booths.

Thursday, September 12

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Calvary Christian Center
9499 East Stockton Blvd

Monday, September 16

Noon – 1:30 p.m.

Calvary Christian Center
9499 East Stockton Blvd

Learn more and/or sign up for updates on the City's website.

Let's Celebrate Our Diversity

Elk Grove has been recognized as one of the most diverse cities in the country and we're celebrating Diversity Awareness Month in September. Residents and visitors are invited to travel the world without leaving the city this Saturday, September 14 at the 12th annual Elk Grove Multicultural Festival at District56 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free admission and parking.

Other September Events

The City is pleased to be a partner on a number of events in September. In addition to the Multicultural Festival, we'll have a presence at:

- Pitch Elk Grove (September 19)
- Fridays in the Grove: Sugar Skull Workshop (September 20)
- Uncapped & Uncorked (September 20)
- CycleQuest Adventure Ride (September 21)

Details on all events can be found on the city's website and social media channels.

Introducing the New E-Bike Lending Library

Residents age 18 and older can now borrow an electric bike or trike for free for up to three weeks through the new E-Bike Lending Library. Visit the city's website to learn more and reserve your ride. This project is funded by the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG).

Community Broadband Survey

The City has partnered with Digital Ubiquity Capital to explore the expansion of the City's broadband network in conjunction with our Smart City Plan. As part of this effort, the City is working with Millan to conduct community surveys to better understand Elk Grove's connectivity needs, challenges, and future opportunities. Residents are encouraged to participate in an online survey now available on the city's website. The survey takes approximately 10 minutes to complete and data collected will be used to explore broadband access options. Survey responses will be accepted through early October.

Lottery for New Affordable Housing Units

Nearly 700 new, affordable multi-family housing units will soon be move-in ready in Elk Grove. To provide opportunities to those who need it most, the City has partnered with The Lyla and Poppy Grove Apartments to conduct a lottery to fill these new homes opening this Friday, September 13. The lottery form, income eligibility requirements and details about each of the properties will be posted on the City's website. The lottery closes at 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, October 13.

Military Street Banner Program Nominations

Elk Grove proudly displays banners along Elk Grove Boulevard and Civic Center Drive honoring retired or honorably discharged members of the United States Armed Forces from Elk Grove. To include an Elk Grove Veteran you know in the next round of installations, submit an application on the city's website before Friday, September 20.

I am available to answer any questions regarding this report.



ATTACHMENT A

STANDING CITYWIDE INITIATIVES UPDATE *Updated as of Wednesday, September 11, 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 April 24, 2024, City Council meeting Council authorized the City Manager to execute a Letter of Intent (LOI) with CenterCal Acquisitions, LLC, a subsidiary of El Segundo, California-based developer CenterCal Properties, LLC. During the term of the LOI, CenterCal and the City will negotiate a Purchase Agreement by which CenterCal will act as developer of project elevate and present the same to Council for consideration within 180 days. If successfully negotiated, the Purchase Agreement will replace the LOI and the developer will commence with project entitlements targeting the close of escrow and commencement of construction within a further approximately 12 to 18 months.

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 City Council approved the New Zoo Project at the May 8, 2024 meeting. A Cost Sharing Agreement was approved at the June 26, 2024 meeting. Staff, the Sacramento Zoological Society, and the consultant team are progressing with design and fundraising work.

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, Grant Line Rd. and Wilton Road Operational Improvements is in design with AECOM Engineering. Dokken is concurrently working to complete the environmental assessment of Grant Line Road between Sherman Oaks Court to Aleilani Lane. This process is expected to be completed by the end of 2025.

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. Staff applied for the FY 2025-2026 Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant (MPDG). This single application positions the project to potentially receive funds from three US Department of Transportation funding sources (Mega, INFRA and Rural). The total funds requested by the City in the grant application is 80% of the estimated Construction costs. Notification of award selection is anticipated in Fall 2024. In addition to this grant effort, design continues to progress, and right-of-way acquisition activities have begun.

ATTACHMENT B

UPCOMING FORUMS AND OUTREACH EVENTS

Updated as of Wednesday, September 11, 2024

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Community Meeting/Open House Year-Round Shelter	September 12 6 p.m.	Calvary Christian Center 9499 East Stockton Blvd
Multicultural Festival	September 14 10 a.m.	District56 8230 Civic Center Drive
Community Meeting/Open House Year-Round Shelter	September 16 12/Noon	Calvary Christian Center 9499 East Stockton Blvd
Trails Committee	September 16 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Diversity and Inclusion Commission	September 17 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Disability Advisory Committee	September 18 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Planning Commission	September 19 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Fridays in the Grove Sugar Skull Workshop	September 20 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.	District56 8230 Civic Center Drive
Latin Night Market	September 20 6 p.m.	District56 8230 Civic Center Drive
CycleQuest Adventure Ride	September 21 10 a.m.	Jack Hill Park 9380 Porto Rosa Drive
2024 POW/MIA Recognition Day	September 21 11 a.m.	District56 8230 Civic Center Drive
City Council Meeting	September 25 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way

ATTACHMENT C

STATUS OF COUNCIL DIRECTION/FOLLOW UP MATTERS

Updated as of Wednesday, September 11, 2024

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

Date	Direction/Follow Up	Status
5/22/24	Provide a report back on potential expansion of the student free ride program to seniors and other transit/transportation programs (e.g., Uber/Lyft).	Staff is preparing this item for a future meeting.
5/22/24	Provide a presentation on the City's pension planning.	This item is on the City Council agenda tonight (9/11/2024) as item #9.3. The report includes an update on pension funding and a resolution approving a Pension Funding Policy.
5/22/24	Provide an update on the City's workforce development programs.	Staff is preparing this item for a future meeting.
6/12/24	Bring back a discussion of potential service rate reductions/discounts/benefits for residents with limited means that may benefit from financial assistance.	Staff is preparing this item for a future meeting.
8/14/24	Report back on California Senate Bill 329 (SB 329) related to City Councilmember salaries.	This item was initially heard before the City Council on 8/28/2024 and Council directed staff to return the item as an Ordinance for the first read on 9/25/2024.