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February 12, 2025

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Jason Behrmann, City Manager

Subject: City Manager's General Administrative Report for February 12, 2025

City Council Special Meeting - REMINDER

The Elk Grove City Council will be participating in a strategic planning meeting on Thursday, February 20 at District 56 in the Veteran's Hall from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. During this time, Councilmembers will discuss key issues and set goals and priorities for the next two fiscal years. Executive Team members will also participate to provide strategic planning input. This is a public meeting open to the community.

Path to Positivity Event Offers Support to Local Teens

The Elk Grove Youth Commission will host the Path to Positivity event on Saturday, February 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Wackford Community & Aquatic Complex (9014 Bruceville Road). This free event is designed to connect teens (ages 13-18) with valuable resources, engaging activities, and a supportive community through interactive activities and guest speakers. Space is limited to the first 100 participants. Registration is required. Details are available on the city's website.

Nominate a Community Volunteer

Stars of Service Volunteer Award nominations are being accepted through Friday, February 28. These annual awards celebrate some of Elk Grove's outstanding community volunteers. Details and the online nomination form can be found on the city's website.

Military Street Banner Program Honors Elk Grove Vets

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 a Veteran in the next round of installations, apply before Monday, March 3. More information can be found on the City's website.

City Hall Holiday Schedule

In accordance with the City holiday schedule, City Hall will be closed this Monday, February 17 in observance of President's Day. The Animal Shelter and Special Waste Collection Center will also be closed.

I am available to answer any questions regarding this report.

ATTACHMENT A

STANDING CITYWIDE INITIATIVES UPDATE
Updated as of Wednesday, February 12, 2025

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 in early 2025. 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. Staff will provide an update on the design and potential naming for the Zoo at the January 22, 2025 meeting.

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 has completed the 35% plans for the extension of Kammerer Road from I-5 to Bruceville and has started preparing the 65% plans. Design continues to progress, and right-of-way acquisition activities have begun.

Library Relocation

Description: In 2006, the City facilitated the relocation of the Elk Grove branch to 8900 Elk Grove Boulevard. This facility, at the time, provided more space for the library and placed it at a prominent corner entering Old Town. As documented in a 2018 study, the community has outgrown this site and a new location is needed for the Elk Grove branch. In early 2021, the City acquired the former Rite Aid building at 9260 Elk Grove Boulevard. The new location needs renovations before the library could move in. The project will include a full interior renovation, parking lot improvements, new landscaping and other new amenities.

Update: Council awarded this project on January 8, 2025, to SC Builders. The construction contract was executed January 27, 2028. The pre-construction meeting is tentatively scheduled for the week of February 16 with a construction start date in mid-March 2025. The library opening is anticipated in early 2026.

ATTACHMENT B

UPCOMING FORUMS AND OUTREACH EVENTS

Updated as of Wednesday, February 12, 2025

| <u>EVENT</u> | <u>DATE/TIME</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> |
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| <i>City Hall Closed Observed President's Day</i> | <i>February 17</i> | |
| Diversity and Inclusion Commission | February 18 6 p.m. | Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way |
| Disability Advisory Committee | February 19 6 p.m. | Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way |
| City Council Special Meeting | February 20 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. | District56 Veterans Hall 8230 Civic Center Drive |
| Planning Commission | February 20 6 p.m. | Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way |
| Youth Commission Path to Positivity | February 22 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. | Wackford Community Center 9014 Bruceville Road |
| City Council Meeting | February 26 6 p.m. | Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way |

ATTACHMENT C

STATUS OF COUNCIL DIRECTION/FOLLOW UP MATTERS

Updated as of Wednesday, February 12, 2025

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

| Date | Direction/Follow Up | Status |
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| 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 an update on the City's workforce development programs. | This item is on tonight's agenda as item 9.3. |
| 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. |
| 11/13/24 | Would like a table created and returned that identifies costs associated with homelessness. | Staff will return this during the next budget cycle and pull together known costs. |
| 11/13/24 | When the ordinance for bars, breweries, and wineries is returned for Council discussion, include a component on safety for Old Town. | This item is on tonight's agenda as item 8.1. |
| 12/11/24 | Would like an item returned regarding Planning Commissioner stipends. | This item was heard on January 22, 2025. It will be returned on February 26, 2025 for implementation. |