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December 11, 2024

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Jason Behrmann, City Manager

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

### **Discontinued Service of Styrofoam**

As of Thursday, December 5, the Special Waste Collection Center has discontinued the collection of expanded polystyrene, commonly known as Styrofoam. There is no longer a recycler in the region that will accept bulk quantities of expanded polystyrene and until this material is phased out in California, residents are advised to dispose of it as garbage or to find an alternative recycler outside of the region.

### **Frosty Fun with Chief Davis**

Chief Davis and the Police Department will host a special holiday story time event at District 56 next Thursday, December 19 at 6 p.m. Residents are invited to bring their family to this free event featuring a very special guest. Details are available on the Police Department's social media accounts.

### **Survey Seeks More Community Priorities**

The City is conducting a new, random, statistically valid community survey in partnership with Zencity asking residents about potential additional Measure E priority areas that could be added to the current priority list. Revenues from Measure E have trended higher than anticipated, and the City is seeking resident feedback on priorities for the additional funding. This survey will run through January.

### **Lighting Up Elk Grove for Chanukah**

Chabad of Elk Grove will host their 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Chanukah Festival on Sunday, December 22 from 2:30-4 p.m. at the Old Town Plaza (9615 Railroad Street). This event sponsored by the City will include a 9-foot LED Menorah, latkes, doughnuts and other delicious food and drinks, and activities for the family and kids. This is a free event.

### **Shop at local Elk Grove businesses this holiday season!**

If you are still shopping for holiday gifts, the Elk Grove Local eGift Card features 100+ participating businesses, making it the perfect gift for anyone. The eGift Card not only allows for flexible spending, but you are also supporting local business owners in the community. Purchase an eGift Card and watch testimonials from your favorite breweries, restaurants, and shops at [SupportLocalEG.org](http://SupportLocalEG.org).

### **Recycle Your Holiday String Lights**

Don't throw away those string lights, recycle instead! Broken or unwanted string lights may be recycled at the Special Waste Collection Center (9255 Disposal Lane). They'll also accept large lighted holiday decorations such as inflatables and sculptures. Lighted or artificial trees cannot be recycled.

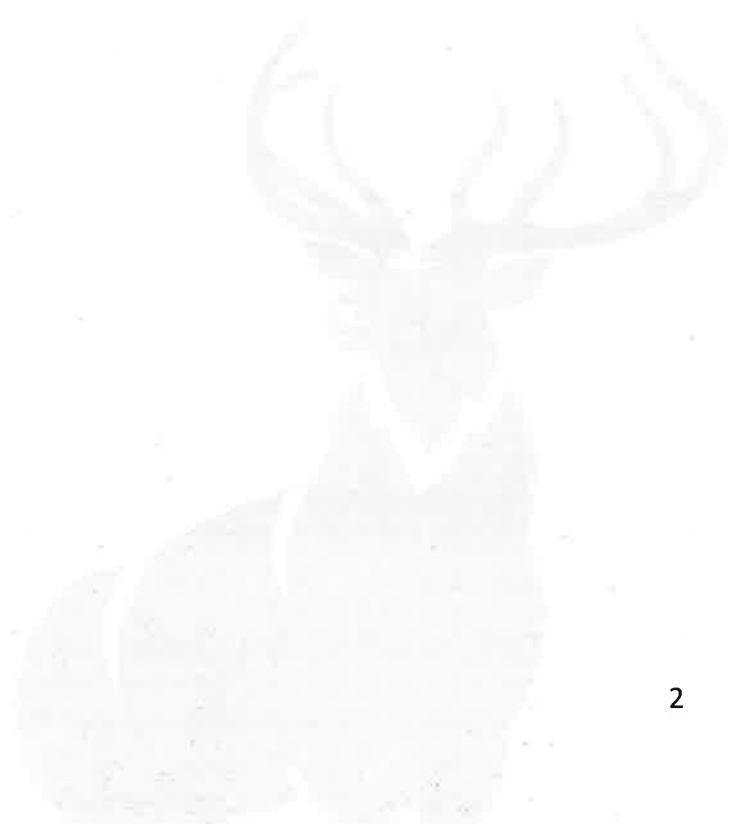
### **Waste Collection Takes a Holiday**

There will be no collection services on Christmas Day or New Year's Day—pick-up days will be shifted to the following day during these two holiday weeks.

**City Hall Holiday Schedule**

In accordance with the City holiday schedule, City Hall will be closed December 24-25 for the Christmas holiday. Additionally, in observance for New Years, City Hall will be closed December 31 and January 1, 2025. 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, December 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 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.

### **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 35% 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. The Project was not successful for the Mega and INFRA sources and is awaiting notification regarding the Rural notification which should be forthcoming shortly. 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, December 11, 2024*

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Old Fashion Christmas	December 13-15 3 p.m.	Elk Grove Historical Society 9941 E Stockton Blvd
Senior Center Holiday Gift Faire	December 14 9 a.m.	Senior Center of Elk Grove 8230 Civic Center Drive
Polar Express Vintage Market	December 14 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Old Town Plaza 9615 Railroad St
Trails Committee	December 16 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Disability Advisory Committee	December 18 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Planning Commission	December 19 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Story Time with the Chief	December 19 6 p.m.	District56 9201 Big Horn Blvd
Old Fashion Christmas	December 20-22 3 p.m.	Elk Grove Historical Society 9941 E Stockton Blvd
Light Up Elk Grove Chanukah Festival	December 22 2:30 p.m.	Old Town Plaza 9615 Railroad St
<i>City Hall Closed Christmas Observed</i>	<i>December 24-25</i>	
<i>City Council Meeting CANCELED</i>	<i>December 25</i>	
<i>City Hall Closed New Year's Observed</i>	<i>December 31, 2024 - January 1, 2025</i>	
Planning Commission	January 2 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
First Saturday Art Reception	January 4 4 p.m.	Elk Grove Fine Arts Center 9683 Elk Grove Florin Road
City Council Meeting	January 8 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way

## ATTACHMENT C

### STATUS OF COUNCIL DIRECTION/FOLLOW UP MATTERS

Updated as of Wednesday, December 11, 2024

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

<b>Date</b>	<b>Direction/Follow Up</b>	<b>Status</b>
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.	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.
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.	Staff will incorporate this in the bars, breweries, and wineries discussion that is anticipated to return on February 12, 2025.
11/13/24	Reimagine the Arts Commission into an Arts and Creative Economy Commission.	This item is on tonight's agenda.