

City of Seward, NE
Tuesday, January 6, 2015
Regular Session

Item G9

PROJECT STATUS - John Hughes

Administrative Report: The Council will receive an update on capital and on-going projects.

Staff Contact:

City Project Report

1. Great Plains Fiber – Contract signed for the Fiber ring build out in the downtown district. This is a CIP project with LB 840 funding. The build out will go out from the Court House Square approximately two blocks surrounding the square and will make fiber hooks ups available to the downtown business.
2. TIF Projects
 - a) Roger Lindner TIF agreement – Finalize agreement which will finance the paving and sanitary sewer for the Twin Oaks 5th Addition.
 - b) Rattlesnakeboys - True Value - – CRA meeting set up for True Value Hardware Store Extension of time for loan value.
3. Planning Department – Subdivision Developments
 - a) Seward Lumber Developers – Working with Seward Lumber and Jeff Spotansky on bringing in 20 plus new lots for sale to the north of Augusta drive.
 - b) WEB Developers – Reviewing layout for WEB 4th Subdivision at the corner of Maple Street and Hawthorn Street which will contain 25 new lots for sale
4. Planning & Zoning -Comprehensive Plan Update Energy portion of the JEO Update to the Comprehensive plan sent for review.
5. Seward Trail – Working with the Seward County Ag Society to finalize the leg of the trail that runs through the fairgrounds to the north which will be accessible to trail users at all times and not be a burden to attendees of the Fair or other activities in the area. The proposed alignment will run to the west of the levee and the east of the pond then along the west side of Fairgrounds Road north to the rail crossing.
6. CIP procurement – Working with departments on equipment leasing or bid buy on the following:
 - a) Cemetery – 2005 dodge 4wd pickup. Budget was \$10,000 spent \$9,300.
 - b) All departments – Computer upgrades 13 machines bought at \$299 each on bulk buy.
 - c) Electric – Ditch Witch vacuum unit, bought demo unit with less than 80 hours for a saving of \$7,500 off new machine. Budget was \$53,000 bought at \$45,188.
 - d) Street – 2014 Bobcat. Notice to lese. Budget was \$9,000 yearly lease price \$7,000 year
7. Water Department – Working on notification of surrounding land owners that the City intends to proceed with location of Well #3.
8. Police Department – New officer Jared Gerdes to start on Monday January 5th 2015.
9. Administration –

- a) Robotham Insurance Claim – Claim was denied by City’s insurance carrier.
- b) Municipal Code Codification RFP completed, reviewed by legal, distributed to 4 vendors
- c) Continue to gather information for wage and benefit comparability
- d) In contact with Data Technologies (accounting software provider) to continue with Chart of Accounts conversion process