
MEMORANDUM



TO: Mayor Walker and Councilors
FROM: M McPherson, City Administrator
SUBJECT: **Bi-Weekly Administrator's Report**
DATE: September 12, 2023

I have the following observations and information to share from the last update:

Airport

The Beacon replacement project is significantly completed. Just completion of a few punch-list items and the final closeout is left.

Work on the AWOS relocation has stalled due to a lack of movement from MNDOT staff. Work on the ALP/Master Plan update continues but cannot be completed until the FAA receives information from MNDOT.

KLJ has confirmed that the local share for expanding the tie-down apron area will be approximately \$42,000+/- . However, we are looking to see if unspent ARPA or CRRSA funds could be used as an off-set. Otherwise, there is no other eligible project for use of the BIL funding allotted to the airport.

We are still seeking applicants to fill the vacancy on the Airport Advisory Board.

Development

Applications for a laundromat, Spire Credit Union, and Phases 3 and 4 of the Rum River Residential Suites have been or will be submitted. Staff has received a TIF application to go with the myriad of applications for Rum River Residential Suites Phase 3 and 4.

PUC continues to seek reasonable quotes to abandon the hydrant on the lot being sold to Carl Lundberg.

The Library is receiving new internet service; staff executed a Right of Entry and Use Agreement with Arvig, to allow them to complete the installation.

Public Safety

We continue to await receipt of a letter from the State detailing the City's award of its portion of public safety aid that was part of the 2023 State Budget. There is great latitude in how the money can be spent in order to provide "public safety", but also strict prohibitions on its use. Princeton's estimated amount is \$223,171 which will be distributed December 26, 2023. Chiefs Frederick and Lawrence have identified eligible expenses and the aid received will off-set 2024 expenses.

The security film has been installed on the front doors and window of City Hall. The remaining exterior windows will be included in a 2024 Capital Improvement Plan request.

Upcoming Meetings and Reminders:

- September 23 – Masonic Lodge 92 Fall Clean-Up, 10am to 5pm Mille Lacs County Fairgrounds