# MEMO

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Mark Gaugh, City Manager

Date: July 6, 2015

Re: Manager's Report

Sidewalk Projects – I met with MoDOT engineers on Friday, June 26, to discuss options for the two sidewalk projects. As I mentioned at a previous Council meeting, the bids were much higher than the engineer's estimate (about $300,000 over). We bid the two projects separately in order to attract a local contractor to bid on the sidewalk portion that did not involve bridge work. However, no local contractors bid on the project. Our plan is to re-package the two projects into one bid. This may help lower the price a little. I think MoDOT likes this option and we will re-visit the funding situation once the new bids are known. Our engineer will also try to secure more bidders, since we only had two bids on the first round. If we bid in late summer or fall, the bridge portion of the project can commence and be worked on during much of the winter.

Recycling Drop Off – Sutherlands would like to remove the recycling drop off area in order to give them more room for inventory. The final day for the drop-off center located in the Sutherland's parking lot will be Friday, July 31, 2015. Sutherlands will post signs and remove the existing structure. They will also assume all of the mowing duties at this corner. We still offer curbside weekly collection, and customers may contact Clinco for available recycling opportunities at their location. Additionally, customers may contact Region D Recycling for additional recycling opportunities. I believe Clinco is also investigating the possibility of an on-site drop off structure for weekends and times when Clinco is not opened.

Street Maintenance and Construction Projects – Bids for some of the street repairs discussed at the last meeting are due on July 7.

Demolition of Structures – We sent requests for bids for the demolition of four structures and received two bids last Thursday. The owners will be required to match a certain percentage of the total in order to receive grant funds.

Great Northwest Wholesale Water Commission – We recently learned of a change in the amount of grant funds that will be available for the GNWWC pipeline that will serve Stewartsville, Maysville and Cameron. The project, estimated at $22 million, was originally allocated at $7 million in grant funds and $15 million in loans. However, the

availability of grant funds at the federal level decreased to an estimated $5 million. The change in wholesale rate will be about $0.50 per 1,000 gallons. The final rate charge to us will be small, and the engineers were able to cut back on operations estimates that may offset any increase.