CITY MANAGER REPORT

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: David Watson, City Manager
DATE: July 19, 2010
RE: City Manager Report

GLOBAL CONNECT
We have entered into an agreement with Global Connect on providing a reverse 911 system where we can notify customers and citizens of concerns such as weather alerts, boil orders and past due utility bills. We have requested the phone data from GEO COMM which will give us the basic land lines but not private numbers. We will be advertising soon asking people to opt in the system so they can be notified. One of our main areas for data collection will be our utility customers so we can send a second phone notice on accounts past due. We can also send out boil alerts by using a map system to identify the area to be called.

EXCHANGE SERVER
The first site visit by the installation technician was conducted this week. We expect to have the email server, back up hardware, and URL filtering system installed by late July.

UPDATE ON QUESTIONS BY COUNCIL

1. Walnut Street Overlay by MoDOT: We have been informed that MoDOT has the Highway 69 (Walnut Street) overlay scheduled for fiscal year 2013.
2. Joint paving of Christian Church Parking lot and City alley: No action taken as we are still estimating the cost and will contact the church this week.
3. Jefferson Bus Lines Shelter: There has not been any progress on this issue. I am assigning it to the Red Team for recommendation and possible action.
4. Tree Farm: The Gold Team has Vision project No. 18 Tree Planting Program. The Gold Team has not made a final recommendation on the tree farm location. They will be asked to make that decision at their next meeting.
5. Street Repairs: The contractor and City completed the Grand and Griffin Road project this week and moved to repairing streets and completing the 4th to 5th Street project. Responding to pothole reports within 5 working days.
6. Break down of taxes: Attached you will find the tax revenue sources.
7. Repair restoration schedule for pipe project: Mark Gaugh will give an update at the meeting.
8. Picking up after your pets in parks: We purchased and installed 10 pet waste pickup stations, 2 in McCorkle Park, 2 at ball fields complex, 2 at Beavers Park, 2 at soccer fields and 2 at Recreation Park.
9. Speed limit reduction on US 36 within Cameron: The feedback from MoDOT this week was that they are not interested in reducing the speed limit as requested.

ROAD MAINTENANCE PROGRAM
The road maintenance program will be delivered at the meeting and will be discussed at the end.

2010 VISION UPDATE
The first report from the 3 teams will be delivered on Friday. We will present and discuss them at the end of the meeting.

Future Agenda Items:

Future

- Bill: Adding new Dangerous and Dilapidated Structures Ord. – ***Han, Watson, Hendee***
  Companion Bill: Transfer of Mack Porter money from the CDBG Fund to a new D and D Program. Since the City will soon have Mack Porter funds for demolition, staff has been asked to explore programs that would acquire property (donated or at low cost) that need demolition. Once acquired and demo is complete, the City would sell to developers for new infill residential construction.
- Bill: Accepting bids for soccer field irrigation project - ***Bontrager***
  The 2009-2010 budget has this project identified and the Park Board will be reviewing soon. Specifications are being developed for future bid processes in early spring.
- Bill: Agreement on firearms usage / archery hunting at Cameron Reservoirs (Sept) - ***Sloan***
  Since the City annexed reservoirs 1, 2 and 3, our Ordinance of no hunting within the City limits will now need to be enforced. We will continue to allow hunting on Grindstone Reservoir as it is still outside the City.
- Bill: To Expend MoDOT Funds for Airport Hangar Expansion Project – ***Bontrager***
  The City has been approved for MoDOT aviation funds to start the site preparation for the future hangar expansion, awaiting notification from MoDOT that funding is available. Funds would be used to grade the area north of the terminal for private development of hangars.
- Bill: Enter into Engineering Services Agreement with BWR for Airport Hangar Expansion – ***Bontrager***
  Once funds are released, we will request an engineering services agreement to create the construction documents and associated field services to construct the future hangar pad site.
- Bill: Amending Legal Description of alley east of Walnut St. – ***Hendee***
  During recent upgrade to GIS by Midland GIS the alley behind Horizon State Bank was found to have errors that must be corrected. This request will go to the Planning and Zoning Commission first.
- Bill: Amending Sign Regulations – ***Hendee***
  During some recent code interpretations staff found some errors in the numbering system that created a missing section. Staff also believes we need an overhaul of this section that may include a more comprehensive matrix for user friendliness.
- Bill: Conditional Use Regulations – ***Hendee***
  P and Z is reviewing the Conditional Use regulations to possibly include certain land uses that have been granted Conditional Use permits by a loose interpretation of the code. Staff has been asked to expand the section to include more uses that can be granted a permit. Staff is concerned with the idea that rezoning can be avoided or even eliminated. Outside legal advice is being sought by staff.

- Bill: Allowing RV's as an Accessory Building – ***Hendee***
  This possible amendment comes as a result of the Church RV use on Walnut Street.
- Bill: Allowing Row Crops in Commercial Districts - ***Hendee***
  The City has several properties zoned commercial that are being used as row crop production. Row crops are not specifically allowed in this district but allowed in the lesser residential district.
- Bill: Automated Meter Reading (AMR) System and Rate Adjustment - ***Gaugh***
  The Water/ Sewer and Electric Committees have been reviewing the proposal for AMR and are ready to bring to Council.
- Bill: Alliance Water Resource Renewal agreement (Aug.) - ***Gaugh***
  An annual review of the Alliance Water Resources services agreement and action to continue or discontinue the professional services agreement.
- Annual Budget Workshop (Aug.)- ***Watson***
  Time to review and approve the 2010-2011 annual budget.
- Bill: Tax Levy (Aug.) – ***O'Connor***
  Time to review and approve the tax levies needed to support the 2010-2011 budget for state review and authorization.
- Appointments - Housing Authority and Board of Adjustment – ***O'Connor***
  There is opening on the Housing Authority and one on the Board of Adjustment.