

FEBRUARY 26, 2014 PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT CITY COUNCIL UPDATE
BART STEPP, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

PROJECTS COMPLETED LAST MONTH

PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

1. **Scott Reconnection Study Project** – TAC completed Level 2 screening scheduled on January 27th. Executive Committee Meeting held on February 6th. PAG (Project Advisory Group) Meeting held on 2/18/14. City Council workshop on alternatives on 3/31/14. City Council scheduled to vote on preferred alternative in April.
2. **Westside Sewer Project** – Construction is complete. Currently completing video inspection and paperwork review to approve final payment.
3. **Lift Station #9 Improvements (Walt's Meats Project)** – New underground piping and valving is complete. Telemetry between Lift Station #14 and Walt's Meats station is up and operational. PUD scheduled to install new transformer at LS #9 on 2/20/14. Installation of new pumps and panel following PUD installation.
4. **Police Station** – Completed final walkthrough with contractor on 2/4/14. Contractor is responsible for warranty items for a year.
5. **Downtown LED Lights** – Clerk Treasurer's office will compare electrical usage for those meters over the winter to determine savings.
6. **Large Water Meter Repair** – Staff in process of replacing all old water meters 2" or larger in town. In 2014 staff will work on 1-1/2" and 1" meters. Older meters lose accuracy so replacement of large users can reduce unaccounted for water and provide more accurate billing.
7. **2014 CDBG Project** – Public Works submitted grant application for Old Town Connections Project on 12/2/13. Bus tour of proposed projects held on 2/20/14. Project will be voted on by Urban County Policy Board in March.
8. **SR 503/E Scott Intersection Project** – On-site surveying work has been completed, consultant has begun preliminary layouts and traffic modeling work.
9. **South Woodland Safe Walking Route Project (SRTS)** – HHPR has completed surveying field work. City Staff reviewed options in field meeting with HHPR on 2/4/14/. Design work has begun.
10. **Future City Hall Property** – Waiting on appraisal and cost estimate from architect to provide a cost estimate for the Centennial Building. At March workshop we'll provide some cost estimates and different options to council.
11. **Ranney Well Project** – Bonds and Agreement received from Layne Heavy Civil. Construction to begin in March.
12. **PW Storage Building** – Construction began on 2/18/14. Construction completion sometime in April.
13. **Belmont Loop Streetlights** – In 2012 thieves stole copper wiring from some streetlights on Belmont. We replaced the junction boxes with locking lids and fixed the lights. Sometime last year they did the same thing and removed the entire lids to get at the wire. This time we will be welding the lids shut to prevent further theft.
14. **Wastewater Treatment Plant Lab Building Flooring** – Existing vinyl flooring needs to be replaced. City is completing this project under the existing O&M budget and a small works project.

PROJECTS IN NEED OF COUNCIL DIRECTION – NONE

PROJECTS SET FOR COUNCIL AGENDA NEXT MONTH

15. **General Sewer Plan** – 4 Consultant RFP's were received. Staff is currently reviewing and scoring RFP's. Contract award should come to council in March.
16. **2013 CDBG Horseshoe Lake Path Grant** – HHPR surveying complete. City staff has completed design which has been reviewed by the Park Board. Project goes out to bid February 25th. Bid award would be at the March 17th meeting.

FEBRUARY 26, 2014 FACILITIES PLAN CITY COUNCIL UPDATE
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PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

1. **Police Station** – Construction of building is done. City has approved a change order that included some force account items that occurred during construction and some upgrades to the AV system at Council Chambers like additional microphones and improved sound quality to the speakers. Warranty work will occur as needed by Contractor.

Due to unanticipated costs in building fees (\$15,000), Cowlitz PUD connection fees (\$20,000), and other items during construction there is insufficient funds to install a carport cover on the Sallyport. If City wants to pursue this project then Council needs to allocate some additional funding to complete this item.

2. **PW Storage Building** – Building now under construction will have three garage bay doors including two that are opposite of each other to allow drive through capabilities in the building. Building will have metal siding and roofing. Interior walls will be plywood. Staff will complete painting of all exterior wood surfaces and interior walls. Roof trusses will not be painted. Staff will also install cabinets and shelving in the configuration that works best for them.
3. **Future City Hall Property** – Preliminary conversations with appraiser and architect indicate that City does not have enough money to purchase Centennial Building and finish the entire building for City use. The City may have enough money to purchase the building and finish the first floor though. This would allow Annex staff to move into the Centennial Building. The City could then sell the Annex and use the proceeds to complete the second floor. If City is unable to purchase and finish the Centennial Building I will provide options for purchasing and constructing City Hall at a couple different locations in downtown. This will be prepared for the March Workshop.
4. **Storage Trailer at WWTP** – PW Staff is working on moving all of the archives to the Old City Hall upstairs offices. Materials at storage trailer that can be destroyed have been identified. Goal is to move all stuff to Old City Hall and get rid of the storage trailer in the next couple of months.

FUTURE PROJECTS

5. **Old City Hall Renovation** – Before proceeding with exterior repairs the City Council needs to make a decision on the City Hall property to provide Staff with a better idea on available budget for this project. The Fire Department has been planning on converting council chambers to sleeping quarters and some other changes. City staff will work with Fire in determining what improvements will be paid by City and which will be paid by Fire.