

City Manager's Monthly Report: June, 2025

Projects, Updates, Community Information, Staffing, General Operations

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES UPDATE

I've been gathering information from other communities regarding monthly billing, paperless billing, and overall usage of paperless billing. I've also continued to meet with billing and finance staff regarding the increased cost of mailing bills if the city switches to monthly billing, and the consensus seems to be that if council wishes to go that route, cuts could be made to ensure that the increase would be net neutral – if that is a real concern of council. It is clear that it would take some years for usage of paperless billing to offset the increase cost of bill mailings.

I made a trip to Lansing to be present at an EGLE budget subcommittee hearing regarding Owosso's request through Rep Begole's office for \$15 million to help replace the WWTP nitrification towers. Unfortunately, no one from the city was asked to testify but I hope to get the chance at a later date. Testimony for this project was given by SEDP, a local business owner and township trustee of Caledonia, and Tom Cook.

The City Hall improvements project is moving along. We have a tentative start date of September 8th due to the EPA changing the freon rules for HVAC units. This has created a delay from manufacturers to comply with the new type of freon required by the EPA.

The public safety project funded by USDA appropriation is moving along at a quicker pace now that Veridus is guiding the process. I've touched base with the USDA to be sure our money is safe and remains available if we roll over into Washington's new fiscal year. I was assured that would be fine since this is a congressional appropriation rather than a traditional USDA grant. We conducted a walk thru of the building with Veridus and Spicer Group so that they may begin drawing up the required mechanical plans for the HVAC replacements and assorted other project components.

The Mayor, Councilwoman Osmer, and I continue to participate in the Cook Foundation's recycling workgroup meetings and subcommittees. I am growing concerned however that this group has not involved the local waste haulers. I'm afraid the city will have to do that on its own so I will set those meetings with the local haulers that remain in operation so that they are aware of the new state law and the work group's efforts.

I met with the SEDP and a SE Michigan developer interested in city-owned property for a potential residential development.

The city engineer, Mayor, and Councilman Owens met with the drain commissioner and their engineering firm regarding the televising reports from the Westown area that has been giving us problems during heavy rain events. Most of the area was able to get televised but there were some areas where the camera could not get through because of obstructions. These obstructions did not completely restrict flow (rocks, utility punch-throughs) but they will create issues. The next steps are forthcoming and we hope to file a Chapter 20 drain petition for the required work this winter.

I met with the DPW supervisor over concerns that potholes were becoming an issue on some streets because they were not being filled timely. DPW is working as quick as they can but turnover has caused some project backups as they are currently down 3 employees. HR and DPW are conducting interviews over the next week to begin filling these positions to build capacity to address these backlogs.

On June 26, the building official called an emergency meeting regarding a building in Westown. The owner of 800 W Main hired a structural engineer to assess the property in preparation for some masonry work that the owner had planned with a contractor. That structural engineer – again, hired by the owner not the city – contacted the building official promptly after than survey to say that he was very concerned about the structural stability of the building. The owner contacted me asking if I would grant him an extension rather than allow the building official to order the building be evacuated and the road closed down. As city manager I do not have that power and the building official acts autonomously when it comes to issues like this. After the meeting, the building official notified the owner that if he got a second opinion from another engineer that the building was safe, then the city would accept that.

Stash Ventures has completed their odor control upgrades for the facility in the industrial park. They invited staff to do a walk thru to view the improvements and request that the enforcement action be concluded. The building office agreed and confirmed that the matter was closed. We will continue to monitor the area for possible future odor issues but Stash has been very willing to comply in order to correct this latest odor issue. Thank you, Stash Ventures.

Project Name	Status	
	MARIHUANA LICENSES	
GROW		
1. 1370 E South St	Medical/Recreational	Renewed – September 2024
2. 1455 Industrial	Recreational	Issued – October 2024
3. 1410/1420 Hathaway	Recreational	Issued – June 2024
4. 1750 E South St	Recreational	Issued - April 2025
PROCESSING		
1. 1750 E South St Ste. 1	Recreational	Renewed – January 2025
RETAIL		
1. 117 E Main St	Medical and Recreational	Renewed - October 2024
2. 1115 Corunna	Medical and Recreational	Renewed – August 2024
3. 200 E Main	Recreational	Renewed – May 2025
4. 116 N Washington	Recreational	Renewed – January 2025

STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE				
Curbside Recycling Required in Owosso by 2028	Passed in December of 2022, this legislation amended PA 451 of 1994 – specifically Part 115 – to mandate that all cities over a population of 5000 shall be required to have curbside recycling established with at least 90% of single family households within the city by January of	Meetings continue with the Recycling Workgroup		
	2028. Councilman Haber has been appointed by the County to serve on the committee charged with deciding how to make this transition. While the county is required to submit a plan to EGLE by July, 2024, the city will have additional responsibilities to address on its own – chiefly the implementation of curbside recycling by 2028.			

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS					
123 N Washington project – estimated \$1.2 \$4.7 million redevelopment of downtown building MSF Board Approved					
million CRP grant - 2022 to include 11 new upper story residential units and a Grant Funding in Dec					

Old Middle Cabaal assists 2022	restored historic façade. This project includes local tax abatements. Funding Breakdown: Grants/Abatements \$403k - Brownfield (abatement) \$85k - OPRA (abatement) \$1.5 mil - CRP/MSF (Grant) \$145k - County Land Bank (Grant) Private/Developer \$2.6 mil	2023. Owners pursuing historic tax credits. HDC approved CofA in November 2024. CofA rescinded by HDC in Jan 2025. HDC issued enforcement against owner for façade. Owner has not responded to the notice. Deadline is August 2025 and then the matter goes to the city attorney.
Old Middle School project - 2022	Estimated \$18 million redevelopment to include 50-54 new residential units. This project will most likely include LITEC and historical tax credits. This project was granted a 4% PILOT for the life of the mortgage but only for the previous developer. The new developer will ask for a similar PILOT ordinance to be granted. The tax credit application was approved in April 2024. Construction commencement: TBD	4% PILOT approved. State tax credits approved. In Oct, 2024 Venture informed the city that project was on hold pending election results. Now they are saying that no one will invest in the tax credits needed to close funding gaps. I am beginning to get concerned about Venture's ability to close this deal with OPS.
Washington Park/Woodland Trails Housing Development Project - \$14,000,000 - 2024	This project will build 14 new condo units in the Woodland Trails development and 14-16 multi family units on the Washington Park site. The developer will be requesting a 24 year brownfield to reimburse them for infrastructure and other eligible costs identified in the plan. Infrastructure Work scope includes sanitary sewer with lift station, water main installation, and street resurfacing on Wesley Dr from Water to Washington and water main installation on Washington St from North to Wesley. Water main and sanitary sewer permits have been issued by EGLE. The city is in the process of obtaining a CDBG grant from MSHDA to fund the infrastructure. Bids were received on May 27, 2025 with contract award planned for July 2025, pending grant award. Construction is pushed back to August 2025, pending grant award.	Construction on homes started. City waiting for information from developers before a bid for the infrastructure work is awarded.
MEDC RAP Grant – Curwood Place – 344 W Main St - 2024	\$1,358,000 to rehabilitate upper story apartments. The owner has also shown interest in having a mural painted on the side of the building – possibly in partnership with SAC.	Awarded. OPRA approved by city April, 2024. Construction started.

PROJ	PROJECTS/ISSUES OF PUBLIC INTEREST					
City Club Building (Exchange Street)	After an interior collapse occurred in June, 2023 a natural gas line was severed and repaired. The building official red-tagged the building and required owner to submit stamped engineering report detailing the building's structural integrity. Stabilization of front and rear walls complete. Owner and Engineer to present plan to Building department to clear debris and secure site. Historic District Commission issued demolition by neglect notice. Notice has since been lifted. Owner says he plans to apply for land bank grant to clean debris. Land bank did not receive completed application and funding was denied. Court order issued allowing city to remediate property since the owner did not and entered a default judgement in the case.	County land bank to bid the project. Total funding available \$178,000 through state land bank blight elimination.				
123 N Washington (5 th 3 rd)	MSF board approved \$1.2 million CRP grant in Dec 2023. Architectural plans complete. Building department waiting for permit application. After that is received, the HDC will consider approval for exterior. Building permit cannot be approved until HDC signs off on exterior plan.	Conflicting information received from owner regarding tax credits. I am contacting national parks office to verify status. HDC continuing with enforcement. Will most likely be turned over to city attorney in September.				

	Grants			
Grant	Amount	Status	Description	
Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund – 2024 (7497-01)	\$1,622,500	Awarded	Part of a \$3.4 million project, this state ARPA grant will help replace water main: N Dewey, Young, W Stewart, Grace, and Tracy St. Lead service lines in water main project areas and make improvements to the WTP: replace backwash pump, process piping, obsolete controls, communications equipment, and gravity filter improvements.	
Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund - 2023	\$1,033,750	Awarded	This grant will help with lead service line replacement, water main replacement, and well upgrades. It's part of a \$4,045,000 project to continue improving the Owosso water system. Water Main: North, Lee, Clyde, Lunn, Huron, Milwaukee. Lead Service replacements in water main project areas. SCADA upgrades at water treatment plant. Improvements to Palmer 3a and Juniper wells. Fishbeck water study. Remainder of cost will be paid with low interest SRF loans.	
Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund - 2023	\$1,412,500 plus \$5,300,000 loan forgiveness	Award – 2023	This grant plus loan forgiveness program will partially fund improvements at the wastewater plant to include: filter replacement, disinfection system replacement, electrical and SCADA upgrades, and solids drying. Total cost of the project is \$19,000,000. The remainder of the cost with be paid with low interest SRF loans. Project has begun. Old chlorine tanks removed and plant processes temporarily bypassed to facilitate construction.	

Railroad Grade Repair Grant	\$181,653	Awarded	This grant is from MDOT and will fund the replacement of the railroad crossing at S. Cedar Street.
ARP Grant – Medicare/Medicaid/CHIP - 2021	\$80,708	Award Updated	The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), through the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), is making payments to providers based on the amount and type of Medicare, Medicaid, and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) services provided to rural beneficiaries from January 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020. Initial award was \$56,200. An additional \$24,530 was awarded in Dec 2021.
ARPA Funding - 2021	\$1,510,000	Awarded	1 st payment received. Last payment will be received in 2022. Public online survey completed. Waiting on Council members to submit project application scoring to staff. \$750,000 has been allocated to water infrastructure.
MSHDA NEP Grant - 2023	\$75,000	Awarded	Used to assist low-income home owners with eligible exterior home improvements up to \$7,500. Application being drafted.
MSHDA MI HOPE Grant - 2023	\$105,000	Awarded	This grant program is designed to encourage and facilitate energy-efficiency focused residential housing repairs and upgrades to owner occupied homes and non-owner occupied single-family homes and multi-family properties consisting of a maximum of three total units within both rural and urban areas.
DNR Grant for Holman Pool Building - 2020	\$150,000	Cancelled	Bids came back more than twice what was budgeted for the project due to increases in labor and material costs. The building will be used for storage.
EGLE DWAM Grant - 2019	\$460,000	Awarded	Original work scope includes investigating 364 water service lines through the city, updating distribution system material inventory, and updating the water asset management plan. The project is funded by a grant from the State of Michigan. All addresses on the original list, change order no. 1 list, and change order no. 2 list have been hydro-excavated at the curb stop. Hard surface restoration is in progress.
EGLE Service Line Replacement Funding - 2020	\$3,000,000	Awarded	Owosso's application was scored the highest this round. Project plan submitted July 1, 2021. This is 100% forgiven loan (Booker Funding) through the state's revolving loan fund program. Dollars will be used to replace water service lines subject to LCR requirements.
EGLE Service Line Replacement Funding (2)	\$1,345,000	Awarded	This partial loan forgiveness funding is tied to the application above. This project involves more LSR replacements coupled with the replacement of the Center St water main and rehabilitation of the water system elevated towers. This opportunity is 30% Booker forgivable. Remainder of this project will need ARPA funding to complete.
FEMA SCBA Grant - 2022	\$250,000	Denied	This grant replaces the OFD's breathing apparatuses. This is the second year we have been denied.
FEMA Radio Grant - 2021	\$1,200,000	Denied	This grant was in conjunction with other municipalities to replace OFD's radio units.
Federal COPS Grant - 2022	\$582,875 over 3 years	Denied	This grant funds up to 3 new police officer positions for 3 years. If awarded, the city would be required to continue funding these positions for an additional year.
Saginaw WIN Grant - 2020	\$10,500	Awarded	To help fund the Middle School area kayak launch.
Safe Routes to School - 2022	\$600,000	Awarded	Work scope includes constructing ADA compliant sidewalk ramps at various locations within the city along with constructing new sidewalks primarily in the Middle School area. The project is complete.

Consumers LED Rebate - 2021	\$5,460	Completed	Replace light fixtures in City Hall with more efficient LED lights
Small Urban Grant - 2022	\$375,000	Denied	Reconstruct Chipman St from Beehler to M-21.
MEDC WRI Grant - 2021	\$1,600,000	Denied	Replace water main, streets, and LSLs on Center, Clyde, Huron, Lynn, and Milwaukee Streets. 25% match required.
MCACA Grant - 2020	\$82,500	Denied	Replace library AC, Library steam pipes, Gould House heat and AC, and Castle boiler. Required \$82,500 match. Will know in September, 2021 if we are awarded.
Small Urban Grant - 2019	\$375,000	Awarded	Reconstruct Gould St from Oliver to Moore.
T-Mobile Hometown Grant - 2020	\$45,300	Denied	Possibly help fund the Middle School Kayak Launch project so no millage money would be needed to complete the project. This would add to the Saginaw WIN Grant already awarded.
Wellhead Protection Grant - 2021	\$52,000	Denied	Fund wellhead educational activities, groundwater audit, wellhead protection software, and update the city's wellhead plan.
Consumers Tree Planting Grant - 2022	\$2,600	Awarded	Consumers Energy's tree planting grant program to assist with annual fall tree planting in 2022.
MDOT RR Grade Crossing Grant – Woodlawn	\$108,621	Denied	Replace RR crossing at Woodlawn Ave. Funding: 60% MDOT/40% RR
MDOT RR Grade Crossing Grant – Chestnut - 2023	\$81,765	Denied	Replace RR crossing at Chestnut St. Funding: 60% MDOT/40% RR
MDOT RR Grade Crossing Grant – Cedar - 2022	\$181,653	Awarded - 2021	Replace RR crossing at Cedar St. Funding 60% MDOT/40% RR
MDOT RR Grade Crossing Grant – S. Chipman - 2023	\$112,381	Denied	Replace RR crossing at S Chipman St. Funding: 60% MDOT/40% RR
FY 2023 DWSRF – Water	\$1,011,250	Awarded	Replace water main on North, Lee, Clyde, Lunn, Huron, and Milwaukee St and LSRs (see below for project specifics). SCADA control upgrade at water plant. Wells at Palmer and Juniper. Fishbeck water study. Grant amount is 25% of total project cost. Remainder to be funded by SRF low interest loans.
FY 2023 CWSRF – Sewer	\$6,712,500	Awarded	Replace waste water plant treatment towers (3). This represents 50% of the cost of the project funded by grants and forgivable loans. The remainder will be funded by low interest SRF loans. Total cost now \$19 million. Due to inflation and increase in construction costs, council decided to reduce the project scope by delaying the tower replacement portion of the project
DNR Spark Grant - 2022	\$752,500	Application delayed to resolve property ownership issue.	Make improvements to the James Minor River Trail along Jerome St to coincide with future street reconstruction. Grant will fund trail improvements and paving from Washington St to the Oakwood walk bridge.
Match on Main - 2022	\$25,000	Awarded	Grant from MEDC to Aviator Jayne for business expansion.
Match on Main - 2022	\$25,000	Awarded	Grant from MEDC to Taphouse Meat Market for business creation.
Consumers Tree Grant — 2023	\$3,000	Awarded	Grant from Consumers Energy to plant 15 trees in the city right of way.
FY 2024 DWSRF (7497-01) – Water - 2023	\$1,745,000	Awarded	Total project cost (SRF loan): \$3,490,000. 50% principal forgiveness. This project will replace water main on Dewey, Young, Tracy, Grace, and W Stewart Streets. It will also pay for WTP improvements: backwash pump replacement, process piping replacement, communication and controls upgrades, and sand filter rehabilitation.
MEDC RAP Grant – DDA Downtown Lights - 2023	\$300,000	Awarded	The scope of work is street light removal and replacement including new conduit and wiring on the following streets:

			 Comstock from Water to Park Washington from Water to Main (M-21) Main (M-21) from Washington to Park (south side only)
			 Park from Comstock to Main (M-21) (west side only) The project is funded by ARPA funds and a RAP grant. The project is complete.
MEDC RAP Grant – Curwood Place – 344 W Main St - 2023	\$1,358,000	Awarded	This grant will pay for the rehabilitation and addition of upper story residential units at 344 W Main Street.
CIS Trail Appropriation - 2024	\$4.4 million	Awarded	Legislative appropriation from State to complete the gap in the CIS trail and make improvements to trail along Jerome St. Scope of work includes trail construction from the existing Clinton-Ionia-Shiawassee (CIS) trail termination at Smith Road to Chestnut St, bike lane installation on Chestnut St, Stewart St, and Washington St, James Miner Trail reconstruction from Hickory St to Oakwood St, and paving the Sam & Opal Voight walkway from Washington Street to the boardwalk. The project also includes rehabilitating Jerome St from Hickory St to Oakwood St. Design work is in progress by Fleis & Vandenbrink. Work is scheduled to take place in 2025 and 2026.
MSHDA NEP – 2024	\$75,000	Awarded	Assists low income home owners with eligible exterior home improvements up to \$24,000 each.
MSHDA MIHope – 2024	\$365,000	Awarded	Assist low income home owners with eligible energy efficient upgrades up to \$25,000 each. In October, 2024 an additional \$100,000 was granted to the city for being a "high performer" in the program.
EPA Community Change Grant – Memorial - 2024	\$11,000,000	Awaiting decision	The EPA Community Change Grant, funded by the Inflation Reduction Act, provides approximately \$2 billion to help disadvantaged communities address environmental and climate justice challenges. The grants support projects that reduce pollution and build community resilience. Eligible applicants include partnerships of community-based organizations with tribes, local governments, or educational institutions. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis until November 21, 2024. The City seeks to partner with Memorial Healthcare to seek \$11 million to build the first phase of equalization storage at the Waste Water Treatment Plant in an attempt to lift the 2005 consent order from EGLE.
EPA Community Change Grant – YMCA - 2024	\$11,500,000	Denied	Much like the memorial grant above, this application is for the same program only the city would partner with the YMCA for a community resiliency project. The Y is looking to address issues of climate change by better preparing the community for more hazardous weather events caused by climate change. The city's portion of the grant would pay for clean water initiatives via the construction of wastewater retention at the wastewater plant. Unlike the memorial grant, this application would add an additional city component addressing clean air initiatives with the replacement of the library's heating system. This would replace the ancient steam boiler with a modern high-efficiency hydronic boiler system.
TMF Grant – EGLE (Lead Service Line ID) - 2024	\$600,000	Awarded	The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) has established the Community Technical, Managerial, and Financial (TMF) Support for Lead Line

			Replacement grant. This program, with an appropriation of \$48 million, aims to assist publicly owned community drinking water systems in lead service line replacement efforts. The grants, with a maximum award of \$600,000 per proposal, prioritize communities that have not previously received funding and those with lower Median Annual Household Income (MAHI). Work scope includes investigating approximately 700 water service lines throughout the city. Water service lines will be investigated at the curb stop via hydro-excavating and inside the building at the water meter. Notification for scheduling investigations inside the building are in progress. Investigation at the curb stop is scheduled for Summer 2025.
MiNeighborhood MSHDA - 2024	\$395,300	Awarded	 The Michigan State Housing Development Authority's (MSHDA) MI Neighborhood grant program provides funding to enhance community living and directly assist homeowners through various eligible activities, including: Housing Rehabilitation: Exterior repairs such as roof replacements, siding, windows, doors, and accessibility improvements like ramps and handrails. Energy Efficiency Upgrades: Enhancements like insulation, energy-efficient windows, and HVAC system improvements to reduce utility costs. Accessibility Modifications: Interior adjustments to improve accessibility for individuals with disabilities, including bathroom modifications and kitchen adaptations. Public Amenity Enhancements: Community-wide projects such as park improvements, playground installations, and the creation of community gardens. Eligibility for homeowner assistance typically includes income limits (usually up to 120% of the Area Median Income), property ownership as a primary residence, and location within the city. Up to \$40,000 per project.
James Minor Trail Grant	\$70,000	Awarded	Widen and resurface the James Minor Trail from Gould Street to the Corunna footbridge with DNR approved stone.
SHPO Grant for Congregational Church	\$28,480	Denied	Repair interior plaster around stained glass windows. HDC Grant. Denied when city discovered that the work was completed while SHPO was still considering grant award.
Congressional Appropriation for water and sewer plant project assistance.	\$111,000,000 (denied) \$5 million (applied)	Applied but request significantly reduced by congressional representation.	Applied for this coming US budget fiscal year to assist with improvements at the water and sewer plant. Had a discussion with Rep Barrett's staff advising that the request needed to be less than \$5 million. Revised request to include around \$4.7 million in water main replacements that fit in the congressional budget schedule and city's fiscal year.
State Appropriation request for sewer plant	\$15,000,000	Applied with Rep BeGole's	Replacement of nitrification towers at sewer treatment plant. Unclear if staff will be asked to testify during the state's ongoing
improvements TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED	\$33,851,374 – 53%	office Grants Denied	budget process. \$15,990,442 – 47%

	STR	EETS AND SIDEWALKS	
2024-2025 Sidewalk Replacement		The contract was extended to October 5, 2025. The focus area for sidewalk replacement in 2025 is the area bounded by Alger Ave, Corunna Ave, Abrey Ave, and the south city limits. This work is scheduled to begin mid to late July 2025.	
2023-25 Street Patching		Work scope includes patches on various streets within the city of Owosso needed for water main breaks, sewer repairs, etc. The contract was extended to November 30, 2025. Patching is in progress.	
2025 Pavement Marking		Scope of work is re-painting pavement markings at various locations throughout the city. The project has been awarded to PK Contracting. Worked is planned for Summer 2025.	
2025 Chip Seal Program		The scope of work is double chip and fog seal on the following streets: • Tracy from Frederick to Stewart • Ament from Lyon to Cedar • Ament from Walnut to Shiawassee (M-52) • Mary from Chipman to State • Hiram from Chipman to State • State from South to Mary The project has been awarded to Highway Maintenance with work planned for late August 2025.	2025
2025 Street Program		Projects planned for street resurfacing: 1. Howell Street from south end to Clinton. Work scope includes crush and shape with asphalt resurfacing. The project has been awarded to Glaeser Dawes Corporation. The project is complete with punch list and final closeout procedures underway. 2. Lynn Street from west end to Clinton. Work scope includes crush and shape with asphalt resurfacing. The project has been awarded to Glaeser Dawes Corporation. The project is complete with punch list and final closeout procedures underway.	2025
Street Projects	Jerome: Hickory to Oakwood	Work scope includes crush and shape with asphalt pavement construction along with minor drainage upgrades. Project is on hold until funding is available.	On hold pending funding.

UTILITIES (Water and Sewer)

Project	Project	Status	Completed
	Name/Description		
2025 TMF Service Line Investigations		Work scope includes investigating approximately 700 water service lines throughout the city. Water service lines will be investigated at the curb stop via hydroexcavating and inside the building at the water meter. Notification for scheduling investigations inside the building are in progress. Investigation at the curb stop is scheduled for Summer 2025.	
2025 Sewer Lining		Scope of work is cured in place pipe lining on sanitary and storm sewers at various locations. The project was awarded to J&J Environmental. The project is complete with close out procedures underway.	
Lead Service Line Identification Project	Funded by TMF Grant. Will ID 700 water service lines throughout the city. Water service lines will be investigated at the curb stop via hydro- excavating and inside the building at the water meter.	Work scope includes investigating approximately 700 water service lines throughout the city. Water service lines will be investigated at the curb stop via hydroexcavating and inside the building at the water meter. Notification for scheduling investigations inside the building are in progress. The project was awarded to M.L. Chartier Excavating. Investigations at the curb stop are planned to begin August 2025.	Summer 2025
Water Treatment Plant	SCADA System - 2023	Kick-off meeting with Tetra tech was 10.30.20. Design phase completed. Included in next DWRF loan application.	In progress
Water Main Projects – 2025 Contract 1		Work scope includes water main replacement including non-compliant water service line replacement on the following streets: 1. Olmstead Street from Ward to Chipman 2. Harding Avenue from Willow Springs to Hanover 3. Hanover Street from Harding to Riverside The project was approved as part of the State of Michigan Department of EGLE 2025 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund project. Loan closing is scheduled for mid-July 2025 with construction planned to begin August 2025.	
Water Main Projects – 2025 Contract 2		Work scope includes water main replacement including non-compliant water service line replacement on the following streets: 1. Nafus Street from south end to Frederick 2. Grace Street from Cedar to Shiawassee 3. Young Street from Chestnut to Brooks The project was approved as part of the State of Michigan Department of EGLE 2025 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund project. Loan closing is scheduled for mid-July 2025 with construction planned to begin August 2025.	
S Chestnut St Rail Crossing and Westown Drainage	S Chestnut Street H&E Railroad Crossing – south of M-21	A property owner near the RR crossing is concerned with their property being partially flooded during very heavy rain events. The ditch in the RR right of way overflows and it is suspected that debris in the ditch clogs the culvert. City engineer and city manager met	Ongoing.

Future Water Main Projects	with RR personnel in Sept 2023 where we were informed the RR will not clean/clear the ditch but would allow us access to the ditch to create a debris catch for the culvert. If that does not work, we will have to approach the township and drain commission for a study to assess required improvements to the drainage system in the area. This project is not on the city's latest approved Capital Improvement Project. Staff met with property owners in westown and the drain commissioner in October. A 1998 study will need to be updated in partnership with Owosso Twp, County, and MDOT per the rules for "Chapter 20 cost share" county drains. City's contribution of study will be 51%. Projects submitted to EGLE for FY2025 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) funds for water main replacement: 1. Nafus Street from south end to Frederick	Bonding approved by council in Feb 2025
	 Gilbert Street from Mason to Oliver Clinton Street from Cedar to Shiawassee Olmstead Street from Ward to Chipman Harding Avenue from Willow Springs to Hanover Hanover Street from Harding to Riverside Stewart Street from Cedar to Shiawassee Williams Street from Shiawassee to Washington Dewey Street from Main (M-21) to King 	
2025 Sewer Televising Project	 The following sewers are planned for televising: Ament St between Lyon and Shiawassee (M-52) – storm sewer Bennett Field Dr between Lafayette and Hoyt – storm sewer Oliver St and Chipman St intersection – storm sewer Hickory St between King and Osburn – storm sewer Park Street between Osburn and Stratford – storm sewer King St and Dewey St intersection – storm and sanitary sewer Sanitary Sewer Interceptor from Robbins and Main (M-21) to Hathaway – sanitary sewer The project has been awarded to MEC Underground Solutions. The televising is complete. Sewer patching is planned for mid to late July 2025.	2025
2025 Drainage Improvement Project – North St between Chipman and Hanover	Work scope includes ditch cleaning on the North St ditch between Chipman St and Hanover St and on the Coventry Ct ditch north of Stewart St. The project is complete with punch list and close out procedures underway.	

2025-27 Water	Work scope includes noncompliant water service lines	2025-2027
Service Line	replacements targeting 500 locations within the City of	
Replacement	Owosso over a 3-year time period. The project was	
Project	approved as part of the State of Michigan Department	
	of EGLE 2025 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund	
	project. Loan closing is scheduled for mid-July 2025	
	with construction planned to begin August 2025.	

WATER TREATMENT PLANT			
Project Name/Description Status		Completed	
SCADA Upgrades	Upgrade and expand the SCADA system for the WTP and wells. Tower permit with FCC has been approved! Could take 12 weeks to hear back. Any existing or new wells can continue operation with SCADA – which could be implemented later. Standpipe radio install has been progressing with Tetra Tech and Countyline. Progress meetings on SCADA project help monthly.	In process	
Lab Room Repairs	This project hinges primarily on stopping the roof leaks first. Fishbeck budgeted over \$750,000 to replace the roof. This replacement is on hold and only roof repairs will be completed until it has been determined that money will be invested in the current plant. In the meantime only essential improvements will be completed on the Lab and Control Room.	Lab has also been recertified after EGLE delay.	
Palmer Well Rehab Project	Palmer 2 is due for a performance test, complete inspection and cleaning, pump and pipe rehab or replacement. Process piping is being installed and consumers energy is working on installing electric service.	Complete	

PARKS/ CEMETERY/ FORESTRY/ NONMOTORIZED			
Project	Project Name/Description	Status	Completed
	CIS Trail Extension – Extend trail from Priest Rd. to City.	Scope of work includes trail construction from the existing Clinton-Ionia-Shiawassee (CIS) trail termination at Smith Road to Chestnut St, bike lane installation on Chestnut St, Stewart St, and Washington St, James Miner Trail reconstruction from Hickory St to Oakwood St, and paving the Sam & Opal Voight walkway from Washington Street to the boardwalk. The project also includes rehabilitating Jerome St from Hickory St to Oakwood St. Design work is in progress by Fleis & Vandenbrink. Work is scheduled to take place in 2026.	State funding approved for M-21 route. Working with MDOT on ROW permit.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS			
Library	Heating System Replacement	Abandon/dismantle existing steam boiler and distribution lines. Add hydronic boiler system. Est cost: \$500,000	On Hold

City Hall	Security and Accessibility - IT	Replace/Add technology at city hall for security and accessibility. Replace old doorbell on basement entry and upgrade silent alarm system.	Complete
	City Hall HVAC, electric service, and generator replacement	Replace RTUs, electric service panels, generator and transfer switch, and address structural issues with room below grade on west side of building. Project start date: Sept 8, 2025	Contract negotiated. Contract approved.
Public Safety	HVAC replacement/efficiency upgrades	As part of the city hall efficiency project, I'm also planning to propose replacement of the public safety building's boiler and heating/cooling systems. As part of the project we would like to replace most of the overhead doors, garage bay ceiling panels, foam insulate the ceiling in garage bay, and replace worn entry doors.	Congressional appropriation through USDA approved. Approved by regional office. Veridus hired as owners rep