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CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The following City Administrator's Report, while respectfully submitted to the Mayor and City Council, is provided and available to the general public to inform them of the status of City projects and activities. This report, as well as the monthly department reports, is placed on the City's website.

- There is still a vacancy on the Board for the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission serves a very important role in making recommendations to the City Council. If you would like to know more about the Planning Commission please contact the City Hall or check out the City's Municipal Code, CMC Chapter 11.20, regarding the Planning Commission at <https://www.codepublishing.com/WA/Connell/#!/Connell11/Connell1120.html>. Residents interested in serving on the Board may write a letter addressed to the Mayor.
- Along with Public Works Director Turner and Assistant Public Works Director Tuck, held a phone conference with ALCS Architecture to discuss the swimming pool facility condition assessment. A service contract is being negotiated and I expect will be presented to the Council at the April 15th meeting.
- Along with Assistant PW Director Tuck, hosted a Connell Rail Interchange meeting led by Ron Pate of WSDOT. Progress is taking place with the project with stakeholders willing to commit with matching funds. By having stakeholders letters of commitment the grant amount requested would be reduced and would overall helps support the grant application.
- Along with Deputy Treasurer Bernal, attended training for the annual report. It is once again time to start preparing the City's annual financial report. Required under RCW 43.09.230, financial reports covering the full period of each fiscal year must be prepared, certified, and filed with the State Auditor within 150 days after the close of the fiscal year. Staff prepares the financial report and reviews the report with the Finance Committee prior to submittal.
- Along with PW Director Turner and Assistant PW Director Tuck, talked with Representative Mary Dye in regards to the potential flooding of the Esquatzel Coulee. The Coulee was closely monitored y the Public Works Department. Thankfully there is no danger now of flooding and the City will continue to work on the issue of the Rail Maintenance Bridge.
- Along with Nicole Stickney from AHBL Mayor Barrow, and all council members, participated in a Council Workshop. I appreciate the thought and effort Council put into drafting a mission statement that communicates how Council's and staff's work aligns with the mission of the City.

Draft Mission Statement:

To partner with the community, enriching the quality of life and delivering a range of services in a fiscally sustainable manner.

Engaging the public and embracing diversity, we maintain a focus on the future, remaining flexible and responsive, to foster a small-town character that supports growth.