



Manager's Report September 7th Council Meeting

Labor Day Closures

Charlotte Area Recycling Center will be closed on Saturday, September 4th in observance of Labor Day. City Hall will be closed on Monday, September 6th in observance of Labor Day. A big thank you to all the men and women who work hard to provide city services throughout the year, especially to those first responders and other essential employees who will continue to work on the holiday.

American Rescue Plan Act Funds

The City has submitted the application materials for receipt of the American Rescue Plan Act funds for non-entitlement units. The final allocation will be based upon the number of non-entitlement communities in the state who accept the funds. These dollars were allocated to 1,724 Michigan cities, villages, and townships and are scheduled to be distributed on a per capita basis. To date, MI Treasury has received applications from over 1,660 eligible units. Treasury has engaged a third-party vendor to review and audit the applications prior to distribution. As of last week, the vendor had completed the initial review of about 1/3 of the applications. More information can be found on Treasury's Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund webpage here: https://www.michigan.gov/treasury/0,4679,7-121-1751_2197-561856--,00.html. Treasury is anticipating being able to begin distributing funds to completed and approved applicants by the middle of September.

In addition to the direct funding dollars, the American Rescue Plan Act allocated \$350 billion in competitive grant funding for a wide variety of projects and initiatives. The City has submitted an application to partner with the National League of Cities for assistance in applying for those grants. This is a free program only available communities in Midwest states as part of a pilot program. More information on that program can be found here: <https://www.nlc.org/initiative/arpa-grant-navigation-program/>

Lansing Road Fire

The City was notified on Aug 19th that the insurance company has concluded their investigation and released funding. The city is part of a program which withholds a portion of the insurance claim funds until the property is cleaned up to the city ordinance standards. We will be working with the owners of the property on their plan for cleanup of the site.

Clinton/Stoddard House

I have been monitoring the progress of the repairs and renovations at the Clinton/Stoddard house. The contractor has been working on the home, including replacing the windows. The plan for restoration includes exterior renovations including windows and siding, along with gutting/remodel of all three

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interior units, and evaluation/repairs to plumbing, electrical and HVAC throughout the structure. The detached unit is also scheduled to be renovated once the main structure is complete. The tentative schedule calls for completion of all work on the main structure by end of March and beginning the detached unit renovations in early 2022.