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WEEKLY REPORT

TO: MAYOR MITCHELL AND COUNCIL MEMBERS FROM: CITY MANAGER BRYAN LANGLEY

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I. COUNCIL SCHEDULE

All meetings will be held at Kyle City Hall Council Chambers, 100 W. Center St., unless otherwise noted. All meetings conducted in the council chambers will be available via live stream on Kyle10.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024

COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AT 5:45 P.M.
COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AT 7 P.M.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024

COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AT TBD

COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AT 7 P.M.

II. HAYS CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT ELECTION RESULTS

Staff Contact: Perwez Moheet

Election results for the Hays Central Appraisal District Board of Directors are posted. Eight nominations for board members were received. Votes submitted by each taxing unit entitled to vote have been counted and the following five candidates received the most and have been elected to serve on the Hays Central Appraisal District's Board of Directors:

- Jeffrey Aylstock
- Joe Castillo
- Jane Hughson
- Mark Jones
- Nore Puente

The voting results for the 2025 Hays Central Appraisal Board of Directors can be found in Attachment 2.

III. 2022 ROAD BOND NEIGHBORHOOD UPDATE

Staff Contact: Rachel Sonnier

The City of Kyle invites the community to get updates, see progress, and ask questions about the Center Street (On-System) Project from the voter-approved 2022 Road Bond on Thursday, January 9 from 5-7 p.m. at Kyle City Hall, 100 W. Center Street.

This come-and-go style event will provide residents a unique opportunity to delve into the details of the Center Street project, giving residents the chance to absorb specifics, understand project timelines, and see how these improvements will benefit the community.

The Road Bond Open House will include various stations offering detailed information about the project. More information on this meeting and the various projects can be found at KyleRoadBonds.com.

IV. MIKE TRIMBLE JOINS TEAM KYLE AS DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS

Staff Contact: Amber Schmeitz



Mike Trimble has joined the City of Kyle as the Director of Transportation and Public Works. In this new role, Trimble will be responsible for city transportation services including the planning, development and implementation of all related policies and programs while ensuring compliance with regulatory requirements.

Trimble has 20 years of experience in local government. Before joining the City of Kyle, Trimble worked as a Project Director for HNTB.

Prior to that, Trimble served over 16 years as an executive with the City of Austin. Trimble is a graduate of Texas A&M University. His official start date with the City of Kyle is January 13, 2025.

V. FERAL HOG TRAPPING UPDATE

Staff Contact: David Lopez

This Week:

12/30/2024 - 1/3/2025: Fortunately, despite two instances of people tampering with the bait site and cameras, hogs continue to feed at the bait station each night. The trap is approximately 30% complete. The trapper was on site again on Dec. 30 to add additional panels and fill the feeder.

If all goes according to plan and we have no other issues with interference, we anticipate the trap being fully assembled over the next few days. Once that has been completed, and the remote trigger mechanism is in place, we enter a waiting phase of heavy baiting in the corral until the entire sounder gathers in the corral at the same time.

Though night imagery makes it difficult to get a reliably accurate count, it appears the sounder is around 25 hogs. During this "bait and wait" phase, remote cameras will be monitored and when the sounder is in the right position, the trap will be triggered. This phase is entirely dependent on the sounder's behavior. Everything could align the first night, or it may take several.

Next Steps:

Assuming all goes as planned, trapped hogs will be loaded into the trailer the morning after capture and will be delivered to the USDA holding facility. At that point, staff and the trapper will reconvene and reassess the situation. It is possible that capturing this sounder could greatly reduce the local population and we may decide to pause trapping efforts. It is also possible that other sounders are wandering our natural areas and we need to move trapping efforts to a different location. We will not know that until this sounder is removed.

A Feral Hog Trapping web page has been added to the City of Kyle Parks and Recreation Department's home page. The page has information on feral hogs, including current trapping updates, their background, suppression efforts and other frequently asked questions like 'Can hunting control hog numbers?' and 'Are there other options to remove hogs besides trapping and removing them?', and can be viewed here https://www.cityofkyle.com/recreation/page/feral-hog-trapping.

VI. PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Staff Contact: David Lopez

Kyle featured in National Parks and Recreation Magazine



The City of Kyle is featured in the January 2025 edition of the National Parks and Recreation Magazine for its investment in meeting parks and recreation for its residents in a fast-growing community.

The article discusses the importance of the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan to assess the growing needs of the city as well as exciting capital projects like the new skatepark and Lake Kensington Nature Park.

NRPA is the leading not-for-profit organization that advocates for building strong, healthy, and resilient communities through parks and recreation. Please follow the provided link to learn more about the City of Kyle's Investment in Parks.

New Business and Strategic Planning Manager Added to Parks and Recreation Department

Tamara Aquino has been hired as the new Business and Strategic Planning in the Parks and Recreation Department. This position is responsible for helping to manage all budget spending plans, strategic plans, master plans, major contracts, partnership agreements, community impact events, volunteer events, boards, and committees within the department's purview.



Tamara has nearly ten years of parks, recreation and non-profit experience.

Most recently, she worked with the City of Dallas Park and Recreation Department for six years in a variety of roles including managing one of the city's most active recreation centers. Additionally, she oversaw marketing, community relations/programs, park board/council relations, partnerships, and agreements for approximately 130 parks/trails and seven of the fourteen City Council districts.

Tamara earned her bachelor's degree in Recreation, Park and Tourism Sciences from Texas A&M University and her master's degree in Public Affairs from the University of Texas at Dallas. She is also a Certified Parks and Recreation Professional (CPRP), successfully completed the TRAPS Leadership Academy, and served as a Parks and Recreation Board Member for the City of Garland, Texas.

25 Days of Christmas

The Parks and Recreation Department brought the magic of the season to a close with the culmination of their 25 Days of Christmas programming. Throughout December, the team worked tirelessly to fill the community with holiday cheer, creating festive displays at Lake Kyle Park, La Verde Park, and Mary Kyle Hartson Park.

At Mary Kyle Hartson Park, the fun never stopped, with events like Thursday Date Nights, Family Fun Fridays, Shopping Saturdays, and Social Sundays bringing families together for memorable moments. The park was alive with visitors, many of whom strolled through to take in the sights and sounds of the season. A special thank you goes out to the performers and to Santa, who made appearances to spread joy and holiday spirit to all who attended.

Most importantly, a heartfelt thank you to all the Parks and Recreation staff, whose dedication and hard work made these events possible and brought the holiday spirit to life for the entire community. The holiday lights, which were a centerpiece of the celebrations, will be taken down between January 9 and January 14. It was a December to remember, full of laughter, smiles, and festive fun!





Winter Wonderland Dance for People with Disabilities

On December 20th, the City of Kyle Parks and Recreation Department's Therapeutic Recreation and Inclusion Services Division brought a magical evening to life at the annual Winter Wonderland Dance for People with Disabilities.

The event was a celebration of inclusion, welcoming individuals of all ages and abilities to join in the fun. As the music played, laughter and smiles filled the air and the dance floor came alive with energy and joy. Attendees created unforgettable memories together while dancing the night away, making for a truly special night.



A heartfelt thank you goes out to our generous sponsors totaling over \$8,000 in in-kind donations—Gemstone Palace, Tony C's Pizza, and DJ Roland, Snap 512, Experience Architect, Dominga Party Delights—whose support helped make this night a dazzling success.

New Parks & Recreation Software

Be sure to check out the Parks and Recreation Department's new recreation software, RecDesk! Visit the new site and create your profile to stay up-to-date on the latest programs and events. RecDesk offers convenient online registration, streamlined facility booking, and online payments.

Starting in January, you'll be able to submit vendor applications through the platform. Don't miss out on this exciting new way to engage with our community offerings!

Visit <u>KyleRec.RecDesk.com</u> to get started today!



Now Hiring for Spring & Summer Positions

The Kyle Parks and Recreation Department is currently hiring for Summer & Spring seasonal positions in our camps & aquatic programs.

If you're looking for a fun, rewarding job where you can make a difference in the community while enjoying the great outdoors, we want to hear from you. This is a perfect opportunity for those seeking to bring their passion for recreation and outdoor activities to life. Apply today and join our team for an exciting season ahead!

Camp Positions:

- Assistant Director
- Head Counselor
- Teen Counselor
- Youth Counselor

Aquatics Positions:

- Pool Manager
- Head Lifeguard
- Lifeguard

2024 CoEd Fall Softball Season Comes to an End

The 2024 Co-Ed Fall Softball Season has officially come to a close!

A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the teams, coaches, and players who made this season such a success. Your dedication, sportsmanship, and passion for the game truly brought the league to life. The Parks and Recreation Department is proud to support recreational sports in our community, and look forward to another exciting season next year! Thank you for being part of a memorable experience.





Conservation Program Weekly Report

Last Week:

 12/23/2024 – Native Landscaping Team staff planted root starts harvested last week in appropriate habitats at Cool Springs Trails, Steeplechase Park, and Linebarger Lake Park. Seeds collected were sown in the areas of feral hog damage in Waterleaf to assist in the recovery of those sites.





Weekly Report Trails and Landscaping Division

This week the Conservation Crew:

- Cleared back mulch encroaching on tree and shrub root flares at Heroes Memorial Park. This will enable the trees and shrubs to get adequate oxygen for proper growth.
- Cleared out brush and weeds from the landscaped beds at Heroes Memorial Park.

This week the Trails Crew:

- Cleared low trees growing along the alleyway behind Festival Drive from FM-150 to Lake Kyle.
- Cut and picked up the giant reeds at the end of Burleson and turned it in for barricade repair with Public Works.
- Worked to clear back brush along the fence line by the twin ponds at Cool Springs Trail.

VII. INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT UPDATES

Staff Contact: Mike Murphy

FM 1626 Ground Storage Tank & Pump Station:

- GST first coating on exterior of tank completed. GST contractor to return on January 6, 2025.
- Electrical contractor continues to place conduit on site.
- Archer Western has a crew at Well Site #4 and has started construction improvements.
- Archer Western work schedules
 7 am 4 pm.





Anthem Water Tank:

- Painting at grade operations wrapping up.
 Logo placed and painted.
- Tank hoist scheduled for week of 1/6.



La Verde Park Parking:

- Project is substantially complete.
- Contractor is working on punch list items.
- PEC is still in process to get electric connection to the site.

Plum Creek Retail Roads:

• No work from the contractor this week. Contractor to resume work January 6, 2025.



Waterstone (CR158) Pump Station:

- Construction kickoff meeting with Prota held on 12/17.
- NTP expected early January
- Project will be phased:
- Phase I: 500,000 gallon ground storage tank and pump station 270 days from NTP
- Phase II: 1 MG elevated storage tank 365 days from NTP

Wastewater Lift Stations Under Construction:

- Waterstone In service. Working on final punch list.
- Crosswinds 6B In service. Acceptance pending.
- Freedom Power service completed. Start-up date pending January.

VIII. CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS

Council requests from the dais will be documented in the Friday Report until they are completed.

ltem No.	Date of Request	Request	Status				
1	3/16/24	Development of Downtown	Council first discussed this during the FY 23 Visioning Workshop in June 2023 it was brought back for discussion during FY 24 Visioning Workshop in February 2024; at the March 16, 2024 meeting, the City Council decided to postpone this discussion; Scheduled for FY 25 Visioning Workshop				
2	4/16/24	Develop a schedule and process for a new Charter Review Commission at the end of the calendar year	Assigned to Jesse Elizondo; January 7, 2025				
3	5/7/24	Quarterly ARWA Updates	Ongoing				
4	7/16/24	Bring back a plan for regular community education sessions on variety of issues of importance to our community	Assigned to Rachel Sonnier; Staff will present additional options January 7, 2025				
5	8/20/24	Develop a Customer Assistance Program for residential utility accounts	Assigned to Rosie Truelove; Council briefed on November 19, 2024; February 4, 2025				
6	8/20/24	Engage consultant to review Uber program and make recommendations for improvements	Assigned to Rosie Truelove; February 4, 2025				
7	9/17/24	Bickerstaff to create a plan to redraw and balance the three single-member districts; Staff to bring back an amendment to the contract for potential future services under the Charter	Assigned to Aimee Alcorn-Reed; Council brief on November 19, 2024; February 18, 2025				
8	9/17/24	Issue an RFQ seeking a Consultant with a specific scope for a quality-of-life study for people with disabilities in Kyle	Assigned to Jesse Elizondo; February 18, 2025				

Item No.	Date of Request	Request	Status		
9	10/15/24	Bring back action on Skatepark	Assigned to David Lopez; January 21, 2025		
10	11/19/24	Bring back a report regarding implementing a K-9 unit within the Kyle Police Department	Assigned to Jeff Barnett; Consider during upcoming budget process		
11	11/19/24	Bring back a housing strategy for diversifying the City's housing options	Assigned to Melissa McCollum; February 2025		
12	12/3/24	Bring back a combination of Options 3 and 4 as presented on 12/3/24 regarding the historic oak tree on Stagecoach Road	Assigned to David Lopez; February 2025		
13	12/3/24	Bring back an item regarding the purchase and installation of a light meter on City facilities and evaluate potential improvements to ensure compliance with the dark skies initiative.	Assigned to Marco Forti; January 2025		
14	12/12/24	Bring back a high school summer internship program.	Assigned to Rosie Truelove; February 2025		
15	12/12/24	Bring back a report regarding sludge hauling contract.	Assigned to Mike Murphy; July 2025		

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CHECK IT OUT!

New Year, New Hours!

We now have new hours!

We are opening 30 minutes earlier Monday through Saturday!

New Hours of Operation:

Monday - Thursday: 9:30AM - 8PM

Friday: 9:30AM - 5PM

Saturday: 9:30AM - 4PM

Storytimes

They resume January 6th with the following schedule:

Mondays

10AM: Toddler Storytime 11AM: Pre-School Storytime

Tuesdays

10AM:Movement Storytime

Wednesdays

10AM: Bilingual Storytime

Thursdays

10AM: Baby Lapsit

KYLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

TINY ART SHOWCASE:

SHAPES OF THE WORLD

School-age artists are invited to display their artwork in the library!

Pick up a canvas from the library, while supplies last, starting January 6th.

January 25th to be included in the showcase.

Art will be displayed all of February.

Celebrate at the Tiny Art Premiere on
February 1st, 11 am-12:30 pm

Hays Central Appraisal District



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MEMO

DATE: December 20, 2024 TO: Hays CAD Taxing Units

FROM: Laura Raven, Chief Appraiser

In accordance with Property Tax Code Section 6.03, not later than December 31, 2024, taxing units shall elect five directors to serve beginning January 1, 2025. I received eight nominations for board members before October 15, 2024, and voting ballots from eight jurisdictions, before December 15, 2024.

I counted the votes submitted by each taxing unit entitled to vote, and declare that the following five candidates received the most votes and are elected to serve on the Hays Central Appraisal District's Board of Directors for the term beginning January 1, 2025:

Jeffrey Aylstock Joe Castillo Jane Hughson Mark Jones Nora Puente

Nathan Cross, Monica Davidson and Robert Rizo did not receive enough votes to be elected.

I have notified the new board members and look forward to working with them all in 2025. At the first meeting held in 2025 directors will draw lots to determine term length. Two shall serve a term of one year and three shall serve a term of three years. The tax assessor-collector will serve as an ex-oficio Director and is a voting member of the Board of Directors.

The next scheduled meeting is set for Thursday, January 16, 2025, at 4 p.m. at the appraisal district office. I will update you with term length information after that meeting. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (512) 268-2522 ext. 232 or email me at lraven@hayscad.com.

	ACC	CKY	CSM	SDS	SHA	SJC	SSM	SWI	
Eligible Votes	131	226	395	857	1367	9	636	271	5000
Nominees									
Jeffrey Aylstock				857		1			858
Joe Castillo						1	636		637
Nathan Cross		1			1				
Monica Davidson						1			1
Jane Hughson	43		395			1			439
Mark Jones	43 6		686	1		271	1001		
Norah Puente					686	1			687
Robert Rizo	Robert Rizo 45 226		1			272			
Used Votes	131	226	395	857	1372	8	636	271	3896



2022 Bond Program
Title: Weekly Status Report
Updated on: 12/31/2024 Prepared By: Front Line Advisory Group





	Prepared By: Front Line Advisory Group							ADVISORY GROUP	
Project ID	Council District	Project Name	Project Status	Phase Percent Complete	Project Status Description	Contract Amount	\$ Paid to Date (Sent to COK for payment)	% of Contract invoiced	Project Descriptions
CK22RO001D	6	Kohlers to Seton (IH 35)	Schematic Design	40%	Updated 50% Geometric Schematic and Drainage report approved on 12/10/2024.	\$2,158,287.27			The project includes a 0.13-mile stretch from the IH 35 southbound frontage road to the northbound frontage road. Undermeath IH 35, kohlers features a total of five lanes: a two-way left turn lane at the center, and on each side, a mandatory turn lane, a mandatory straight lane, and an optional lane.
CK22RO002D	6	Kohlers to Seton (off- system) - PS&E	PS&E Design	60%	90% PS&E submitted on 12/6/2024 under review.	\$1,367,014.84	\$1,367,014.84 \$954,660.94 69.		The project features a 1.07-mile stretch from the IH 35 northbound frontage road to Seton Parkway, consisting of a 4-lane minor arterial and a 3-lane collector. The 4-lane section includes a median with periodic left turn spaces, and there is a two-lane roundabout at the intersection of Bebee and Kohlers.
CK22RO003D	6	Bebee Road (West) - PS&E	PS&E Design	75%	90% PS&E design submitted on 12/21/2024.	\$931,646.13	\$590,230.98	63.4%	The project includes the new construction and widening of a 1-mile stretch of 4-lane minor arterial road, extending from the IH 35 northbound frontage road to Dacy Lane. Key features include a two-lane roundabout at the intersection of Bebee and Kohlers, as well as acceleration and deceleration lanes at the intersection of the IH 35 frontage road and Bebee. This development aims to enhance traffic flow and safety for all road users.
CK22RO004D	6	Bebee Road (East) - PS&E	PS&E Design	60%	90% PS&E Due 6/17/2025.	\$3,547,398.02	\$1,599,475.57	45.1%	This project involves constructing and widening a 1.8-mile section of 4-lane minor arterial road from Dacy Lane to east of Green Pastures Road. It includes the addition of three two-lane roundabouts located at Dacy Lane, Goforth Road South, and Goforth Road North, designed to improve traffic circulation and safety in the area.
3a	2,4	Old Stagecoach Road North (Six Creeks)	PS&E Design	0%	30% PS&E over-the-shoulder review due 2/21/2025.	\$1,510,111.20	\$0.00	0.0%	This project involves reconstructing and widening a 2.2-mile section of roadway into a 4-lane minor atterial from FM 2770 to Veterans Drive. It includes upgrading Old Stagecoach Road from RM 150 to Center Street into 3-to 4-lane arterials. Additionally, two roundabouts are planned at Old Stagecoach Road with Six Creeks and at Old Stagecoach Road with Center Street (off-system) to enhance traffic flow and safety.
3b	2,4	Old Stagecoach Road - PS&E	PS&E Design	5%	60% PS&E due 4/22/2025. ROW offers are being prepared. Profile adjusted for drainage structures was completed on 12/4/2024.	\$2,047,287.05	\$183,905.60	9.0%	This project involves reconstructing and widening a 2.2-mile section of roadway into a 4-lane minor arterial from FM 2770 to Veterans Drive. It includes upgrading Old Stagecoach Road from RM 150 to Center Street into 3-to 4-lane arterials. Additionally, two roundabouts are planned at Old Stagecoach Road with Center Street (off-system) to enhance traffic flow and safety.
3с	2,4	Center Street (Off-System) PS&E	PS&E Design	10%	60% PS&E due 2/14/2025. ROW offers are being prepared.	\$1,799,557.05	1,799,557.05 \$179,184.40 10.0%		This project involves reconstructing and widening a 2.2-mile section of roadway into a 4-lane minor arterial from FM 2770 to Veterans Drive. It includes upgrading Center Street to Veterans Drive into 3- to 4-lane arterials. Old Stagecoach Road with Center Street (off-system) to enhance traffic flow and safety.
CK22RO006D	2,4	Center Street (FM 150) (On-System)	PS&E Design	0%	60%PS&E due 6/16/2025. Baseline Schedule approved on 12/9/2024.	\$488,657.77	\$463,450.47	94.8%	This project will upgrade Center Street from Veterans Drive to Main Street in downtown Kyle, expanding the roadway from 2 to 3 lanes to enhance traffic flow and accessibility.
4b	2,4	Jack C Hays Tr	PS&E Design	0%	60% PS&E dues 5/27/2025. Baseline schedule approved on 12/28/2024.	\$450,567.75	\$419,615.36	93.1%	This project involves widening the intersection from Veterans Drive to north of Witte Road, adding two new lanes and a median to improve traffic management and safety.
CK22RO007D	6	Kyle Parkway/Lehman Road Extension	PS&E Design	60%	90% PS&E due 1/22/2025. All ROW surveys have been initiated.	\$3,189,200.02	\$1,599,777.38	50.2%	This project involves extending Lehman Road northeast from Bunton Creek Road to Dacy Lane as a 4-lane minor arterial. Additionally, Kyle Parkway will be extended to this new segment of Lehman Road, also as a 4-lane minor arterial. The total new roadway will cover 1.3 miles. The plan includes four planned 2-lane roundabouts at the intersections of Kyle Parkway with Dacy Lane. Kyle Parkway with Lehman Road, Lehman Road with Bunton Creek Road, and Lehman Road with Dacy Lane.
CK22RO008D	6	Marketplace Avenue - Construction	Construction	5%	Vybe trail was excavated, trenching continued, and manhole installed by 12/12/2024. Utility lines currently under relocation.	\$7,753,615.40	\$466,895.98	6.0%	This project includes the construction and widening of a 0.6-mile stretch of roadway into a 4-lane minor arterial from FM 1626 to Marketplace Avenue.
CK22RO009D	2,6	Bunton Creek Road - PS&E	PS&E Design	65%	90% PS&E due 3/6/2025. All ROW surveys have been initiated.	\$2,030,777.09	\$832,582.83	41.0%	This project involves reconstructing and widening a 1.2-mile section of existing roadway into a 4-lane minor arterial, extending from Lehman Road to Porter Cove.
CK22RO010D	6	Windy Hill Road - PS&E	PS&E Design	60%	90% PS&E submitted on 12/20/2024, currently under review. All ROW survey to be completed by 1/14/2025.	\$830,345.20	\$633,114.65	76.2%	This project will reconstruct and widen a 0.6-mile section of existing roadway into a 4-lane minor arterial from Purple Martin Avenue to IH 35 Northbound Frontage Road.
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