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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.

MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025

COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AT 5 P.M.

SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 2025

COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AT 9 A.M.

TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2025

COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AT TBD

COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AT 7 P.M.

TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2025

COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AT TBD

COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AT 7 P.M.

II. 2025 WARRANT AMNESTY: LAST CALL

Staff Contact: Jenny Bowles

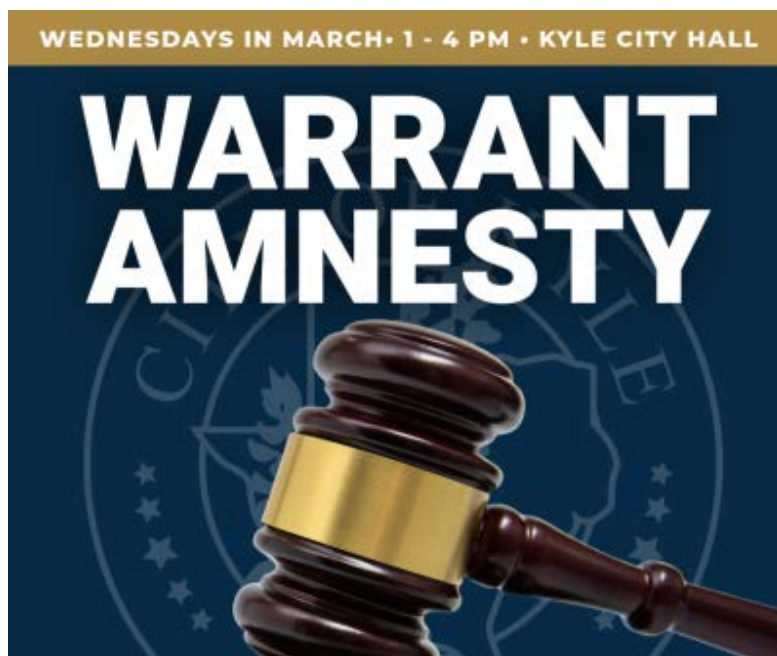
The City of Kyle Municipal Court is offering one final opportunity for individuals to participate in the Warrant Amnesty Program this month. This program allows individuals with outstanding warrants to clear their cases and have warrant fees waived by appearing before the court.

The final walk-in docket will be held:

- Date: Wednesday, March 26
- Time: 1 – 4 p.m.
- Location: Kyle City Hall Council Chambers, 100 W. Center St.

No appointments are necessary, and Spanish-speaking interpreters will be available. Individuals who are unable to pay their citations may discuss alternative options with the judge, including payment plans, community service, or applying jail time served.

For more information, visit CityofKyle.com/MunicipalCourt or call 512-262-3994.



III. KYLE IMPROVES BCEGS RATING, UNLOCKING INSURANCE SAVINGS

Staff Contact: Kelly Stilwell

On March 12, 2025, the Building Department was notified that the team has significantly improved the city's Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule (BCEGS) score from a 99 to an impressive 4.

In August 2024, the Building Department received information that the last BCEGS survey conducted in Kyle took place in 2014. At that time, the city opted out of certain assessments, resulting in a classification of 99. This classification is critical, as the Insurance Services Office (ISO) uses BCEGS ratings to evaluate property damage risk and determine insurance premiums. A favorable score can lead to significant savings, with reductions in damage potential translating to a decrease in insurance costs by as much as 12-18%.

Recognizing the importance of improving our rating, Building Official Kelly Stilwell collaborated closely with various city departments to gather the necessary information and documentation and submitted all relevant materials on September 4, 2024. The work paid off with a significantly improved score.

This achievement not only reflects our team's dedication to enhancing our city's infrastructure and safety measures but also opens the door to substantial insurance savings for our residents and businesses.

Looking ahead, the building Department is committed to continuing these improvements and ensuring we maintain our progress for the next audit scheduled in 2029. I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone involved in this process; your support and teamwork were invaluable in achieving this significant milestone!

I would like to acknowledge all the individuals who helped make this possible: Madeleine Hudson, Janessi Ruiz, Jacob Laina, Perwez Moheet, Keshav Gnawali, and James Johnson. Thank you!

IV. JESSICA DEL RIO TAKES LEAD IN KYLE'S YOUTH SUBSTANCE PROGRAM

Staff Contact: Rosie Truelove



In 2024, the City of Kyle contracted with Hill Country Mental Health and Development Disabilities Centers (Hill Country) to create an innovative program at our area HCISD schools providing behavioral health treatment of youth focusing on fentanyl and other opiate substance use. We are excited to launch this program officially with the hiring of Jessica Del Rio by Hill Country.

Jessica is a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) with approximately 10 years in the mental health field.

In December of 2012, she received her bachelor's degree in psychology/sociology at The University of Texas at El Paso. She then proceeded to obtain her master's degree in Rehabilitation Counseling at the University of Texas at Austin in December of 2014. She has worked with diverse populations, ranging from adolescents to adults, forensic patients, military personnel and first responders.

Previous employment has been through community-based mental health agencies, psychiatric hospitals, inpatient and outpatient facilities across Austin and surrounding areas. Jessica's clinical experience has been in de-escalation, crisis triage, assessing level of care, and suicide prevention/intervention/postvention. She also created and provided psycho-social trainings concerning trauma and other mental health issues to community organizations.

With Jessica's hiring, the Kyle Substance Use Program is ready to help students. If you know of a student who is struggling or needs support, please refer our flyer ([See Attachment on Page 19](#)) to find out how to contact Ms. Del Rio. Hill Country will brief Council and the community on the status of the program at an upcoming Council Meeting this spring. Thanks go out to our continued partners in this effort, Hays Consolidated Independent School District and Hays County Health Department, for their ongoing support of the program and our Kyle-area youth.

V. FERAL HOG UPDATE

Staff Contact: David Lopez

Last week: March 10 - 14, 2025 - Cameras in the Waterleaf area did not detect any recent hog activity; however, cameras near the Kensington trap recorded three adult hogs. On March 10, the team successfully captured and removed three hogs from Lake Kensington. On March 14, an additional two hogs were captured and removed from Lake Kensington, raising the total number of feral hogs removed since January to 56.

This week: March 17 - 21, 2025 - The metal trap in the Waterleaf area was moved to a new location in the Plum Creek corridor, where recent hog activity was noted. In the meantime, baiting and monitoring of the net trap at Kensington continued to capture any remaining hogs in the vicinity.

Next steps: Although complete eradication of feral hogs is not achievable with current control methods, the aim is to lower their population in Kyle to a sustainable level, at which point trapping will be paused. While the exact population size remains uncertain, the team consistently monitors hog activity and adjusts management strategies as needed.



VI. PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Staff Contact: David Lopez

Lake Kensington Site Preparation



On March 17, the Parks Conservation Division staff started clearing and restoring the overgrown pasture roads and trails on the Kensington property. This work aims to improve access for biologists, consultants, planners, and designers conducting preliminary site assessments in the coming months.

Inter-City Training Collaboration

The Kyle Parks and Recreation Department's Conservation Division partnered with the Austin Parks and Recreation Department's Nature Preserve staff for training on native prairie restoration. The training focused on enhancing ecosystem services, including improving stormwater absorption, increasing habitat resilience, supporting pollinators, and improving air and water quality, all while providing physical and mental health benefits for visitors.



Gateway Sign Lighting Update



During the TxDOT Green Ribbon Program, the power to the I-35 Gateway Sign at Yarrington Drive was disconnected, prompting the Parks and Recreation Beautification Division to install a new solar-powered lighting system. The sign is now fully operational.

To prevent future disruptions, the team has secured similar solar equipment for the Windy Hill Gateway Sign and is coordinating with TxDOT for a smooth transition. These actions reflect Kyle Parks and Recreation's dedication to maintaining community landmarks with sustainable solutions.

Exciting updates for Steeplechase Dog Park!

Earlier this year, staff assessed the park's condition and identified key improvements needed, including new dog agility equipment. The previous equipment, originally donated, had reached the end of its lifespan. This week, the Park Maintenance team installed industry-standard features for greater durability and fun. These upgrades ensure a better experience for dogs and their owners while improving long-term park safety and maintenance.



Aquatic Facility Preparation

The Parks and Recreation Aquatic Technician completed routine inspections and maintenance across the fountains, La Verde water features, and the Heroes Memorial Park Pond. The Aquatic Technician plays a crucial role in thoroughly checking all systems and addressing any necessary repairs.

Additionally, preparations for the upcoming pool season at James Atkins Pool are progressing as planned. In preparing the facility for the upcoming season, the Aquatic Technician conducted a preseason inspection to identify and address any necessary maintenance.



Storytime at La Verde Park Returns

Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 29 for Story Time in the Park at La Verde Park. The event will take place from 9:30 to 10:30 A.M. and features stories specially designed for children ages 3 to 7 in partnership with the Kyle Public Library. Attendees are encouraged to bring blankets, chairs, and snacks.



Social Squad and Community Yoga

The Kyle Parks and Recreation Department is launching the Social Squad program for adults (18+) with disabilities, promoting social interaction and well-being. The program starts April 1 with Community Yoga, a Hatha-style class for all experience levels. Participants should bring yoga mats. Registration is open via RecDesk at the provided link. The program aims to create an inclusive community with accessible activities tailored to individuals with disabilities, encouraging early registration to secure spots for the upcoming session.

Registration is now open, and interested individuals can sign up through RecDesk via the following link:

<https://kylerec.recdesk.com/Community/Program?category=41>.



Spring Break Camp 2025 Recap

During the week of March 10, the Kyle Parks and Recreation Department successfully hosted its staff training in preparation for the 2025 Spring Break Camp. This training aimed to equip staff with the necessary skills and knowledge to ensure a smooth and safe experience for all participants. The training program included First Aid and CPR certification, led by the department's Aquatic Coordinator, to ensure the safety and well-being of all camp children.

The Spring Break Camp, which took place from March 17 to March 20, offered a wide range of activities for youth participants. Camp allowed youth to maintain an active and healthy lifestyle during Spring Break by providing a recreational experience. The campers engaged in activities such as chemistry-focused cooking classes, Bob Bullock Museum, Tiny Trails, Activate, and Urbain Air.

Kyle Parks and Recreation strives to provide children with opportunities to explore new physical and mental activities through exhilarating and educational on-site events while fostering valuable social connections and maintaining a fun, active atmosphere.



VII. INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT UPDATES

Staff Contact: Mike Murphy and Mike Trimble

Kyle Crossing/Kohlers Crossing Traffic Signal:

- Cables run across Kohlers and Kyle Crossing.
- Traffic signal heads are being placed.



CR 158 Elevated & Ground Storage Tanks Updates:

- Prota completed final grade for GST.
- Prota placing select fill for pump station and all density test passed.
- Submittals continue to be reviewed for approval.
- Preload to mobilize week of March 17, 2025.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Access Road:

- Contractor placing roadbed embankment.
- Culvert flooring decks have been poured.
- Culvert walls are being formed.
- Conduit for the lights and gates are being placed.



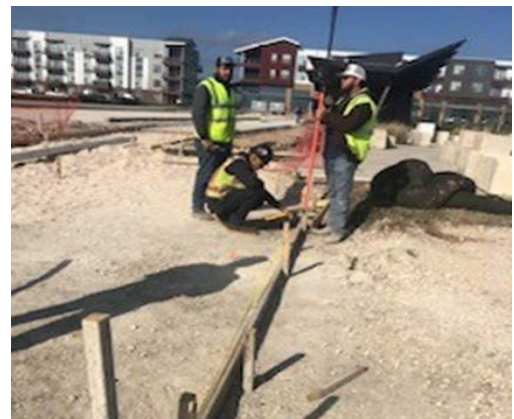


FM 1626 Ground Storage Tank & Pump Station Updates:

- Filling GST began on March 7, 2025. Water from the existing distribution system is being used to fill the GST and will take approximately 28-45 days to be followed by hydrostatic and disinfecting testing.
- Once hydrostatic and disinfecting testing is completed, the water will be fed into the distribution system.
- AT&T fiber has been removed and excavation for pump building is in progress.
- Phase One for FM 1626 is completed.
- Well Site #4 plumbing has been completed and electrical continues to be installed.

Plum Creek Retail Roads:

- Avenue A street trail concrete foundation pours are underway.
- Storm box culverts are being placed along Cromwell Drive and Heroes Memorial Drive.
- Flexible Base on Avenue A being placed.



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.

VIII. CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS

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

Item No.	Date of Request	Request	Status
1	3/16/24	Development of Downtown	Complete
2	5/7/24	Quarterly ARWA Updates	Ongoing; Next one scheduled March 29, 2025
3	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; Council awarded contract on March 18, 2025; Complete
4	11/19/24	A report regarding implementing a K-9 unit within the Kyle Police Department	Assigned to Jeff Barnett; Consider during upcoming budget process
5	12/12/24	Provide a report regarding sludge hauling contract	Assigned to Mike Murphy; July 2025
6	1/7/25	Provide summary of community feedback and design options for 1500 Dacy Lane	Complete
7	1/21/25	Initiate an RFQ process to select a design firm based on qualifications from roundabouts regarding Kohlers Crossing interim improvements	Assigned to Mike Trimble; April 15, 2025
8	1/21/25	Research options for installing deceleration and acceleration lanes on Roland Lane near to the I-35 Frontage Road	Assigned to Mike Trimble; May 6, 2025
9	1/21/25	Proceed with the annexation and clean up	Assigned to Melissa McCollum; Annexation Resolution; Ordinance April 1, 2025; Renaming South Goforth Road April, 2025

Item No.	Date of Request	Request	Status
10	2/4/25	Align the Board of Adjustments appointments, terms and vacancies with the general boards and commissions ordinance	Assigned to Melissa McCollum; April, 2025
11	2/4/25	Present aesthetic design options for roundabouts	Assigned to Melissa McCollum; May, 2025
12	2/4/25	Provide engineering details and options for Silverado Vybe Trail Project	Assigned to David Lopez; June 2025
13	2/4/25	Solicit input and provide recommendations for Steeplechase Park improvements	Assigned to David Lopez; June 2025
14	2/15/25	Seek proposals for moving the historic oak tree on Stagecoach Road	Assigned to Mike Trimble; July 2025
15	2/18/25	Amend the policy around the Peace & Progress series	Assigned to Jesse Elizondo; April 2025
16	3/4/25	Hold a work session on the City's districts	Assigned to Aimee Alcorn-Reed; March 29, 2025
17	3/4/25	Provide recommendations for improvements at Dacy Lane and Downing Way	Assigned to Mike Trimble; April 2025
18	3/4/25	Send out a Survey for Goforth renaming options: Paula Alvarez, Becky Selbera and Chevo Pastrano, Senior	Assigned to Melissa McCollum; April 2025
19	03/18/25	Establish a Kyle Historical Archives Commission	Assigned to Leslie Scott; April 2025

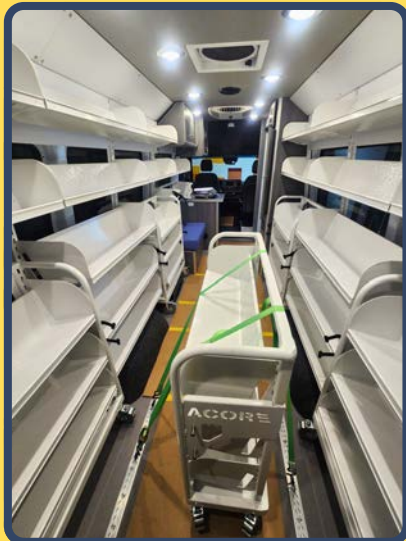
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KYLE PUBLIC LIBRARY CHECK IT OUT!



Last week, our Library Director, Leslie Scott, traveled to Ohio to see our long-awaited Mobile Library! The Mobile Library order was arranged, placed, and funded by the Friends of Kyle Public Library. Production began in September of 2024 with a March 2025 completion.



The Mobile Library will be an invaluable addition to the Library's community outreach efforts. Once the vehicle is here, we will launch visits around Kyle to parks, daycares, assisted living facilities, schools, and neighborhoods. The ultimate goal of the Mobile Library is to reach people where they are and make the Library's resources accessible to everyone in Kyle.

The Mobile Library will be transported soon from Columbus, Ohio to Kyle. Once it is here and ready for public use, we will host a ribbon cutting event to show off our new library on wheels. More updates to come!

Over the past few weeks, we've been rearranging sections of the library to create a more natural age progression for our readers. Picture books and early readers were the first to move, and we've now finished relocating our juvenile and young adult collections as well. You'll now find easy picture books near the front of the library, with books for older readers following as you explore further. This new layout makes it easier for families and young readers to navigate the shelves and discover books that match their reading level—helping everyone find their next great read with ease!





2022 Bond Program

Title: Weekly Status Report

Updated on: 3/19/2025

Prepared By: Front Line 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	45%	Updated 50% Geometric Schematic review by TxDOT completed 3/7/2025. IAJR has been sent back to TxDOT for review.	\$2,158,287.27	\$370,501.54	17.2%	The project includes a 0.13-mile stretch from the IH 35 southbound frontage road to the northbound frontage road. Underneath 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	90%	100% PS&E was submitted on 3/11/2025 and is currently under review due 3/18/2025.	\$1,367,014.84	\$1,256,746.19	91.9%	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	90%	100% PS&E was submitted on 3/11/2025 and is currently under review due 3/18/2025.	\$931,646.13	\$651,055.44	69.9%	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	70%	90% PS&E Due 6/17/2025. ROW prioritization matrix has been completed.	\$3,547,398.02	\$1,814,706.82	51.2%	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	30%	60% PS&E due 5/5/2025. Open House anticipated for 3/25/2025 at Wallace Middle School. 30% PS&E over-the-shoulder review completed on 2/27/2025.	\$1,510,111.20	\$253,679.30	16.8%	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 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	35%	60% PS&E due 4/8/2025. Open House anticipated for 3/25/2025 at Wallace Middle School. 30% PS&E over-the-shoulder review completed on 2/28/2025.	\$2,047,287.05	\$394,676.80	19.3%	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 Six Creeks and at Old Stagecoach Road with Center Street (off-system) to enhance traffic flow and safety.
3c	2,4	Center Street (Off-System) PS&E	PS&E Design	60%	90% PS&E due 4/25/2025. ROW offers are being prepared. Open House anticipated for 3/25/2025 at Wallace Middle School.	\$1,799,557.05	\$865,253.90	48.1%	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	PS&E Design	20%	30% design review meeting set for 5/16/2025. 60% PS&E due 6/16/2025.	\$1,492,833.09	\$71,420.69	4.8%	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	PS&E Design	20%	30% design review meeting set for 4/30/2025. 60% PS&E due 5/27/2025. ROW in negotiations.	\$887,275.09	\$53,336.75	6.0%	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 3/21/2025. New task order for Additional storm drainage and PEC utility design in process for approval in City Council. 60% Part 1 Waterline design submitted 3/8/25.	\$3,189,200.02	\$1,908,302.09	59.8%	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	40%	Schedule update submitted but requires revision. • Completion of utilities, w, ww. • Storm system.	\$7,753,615.40	\$3,621,285.47	46.7%	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	90%	90% PS&E submitted on 3/7/2025, currently under review until 3/20/2025.	\$2,030,777.09	\$1,122,099.50	55.3%	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	90%	100% PS&E due on 3/18/2025.	\$830,345.20	\$744,204.25	89.6%	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.
						\$ 36,646,974.86	\$19,230,223.73	52.47%	



Go to school in Kyle, TX? Struggling? Need support? Know someone who needs help?

Student substance-use services available in Kyle!

Confidential, personalized and accessible education, prevention, intervention and support for Fentanyl, opiate, alcohol, tobacco, and other substance use.

Service options available:

- Substance Use & Mental Health screening
- Individualized treatment planning
- 1:1 individual counseling
- Family/ Parent support
- Group counseling
- Psycho-social group education
- Recommendations for additional services
- Referral to community resources



Services available on campus and other community locations

Funding for consultation and support graciously provided by The City of Kyle. Services provided in collaboration with Hill Country MHDD Centers, Hays CISD, & Hays County Health Department.

How do I enroll/refer someone?



For more information contact:

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City of Kyle, Texas
City Sales and Use Tax Collection by Month
Comparison for FY 2025 and FY 2024

Collection Month	Actual Receipts Current Year FY 2025	Comparison to Budget FY 2025				Comparison to Last Year FY 2024			
		Budget FY 2025	\$ Variance	% Variance	Sales Tax Rebates 380 Payments	Actual Receipts Last Year FY 2024	\$ Change From FY 2024	% Change From FY 2024	Sales Tax Rebates 380 Payments
October	\$ 1,369,300.36	\$ 1,596,094.00	\$ (226,793.64)	-14.21%	\$ 98,473.06	\$ 1,425,969.13	\$ (56,668.77)	-3.97%	\$ 79,646.52
November	1,713,799.53	1,790,358.00	\$ (76,558.47)	-4.28%	115,501.30	1,599,526.69	\$ 114,272.84	7.14%	82,046.34
December	1,452,377.01	1,550,415.00	\$ (98,037.99)	-6.32%	110,407.40	1,385,158.70	\$ 67,218.31	4.85%	77,297.11
January	1,433,010.12	1,592,811.00	\$ (159,800.88)	-10.03%	39,140.38	1,423,036.48	\$ 9,973.64	0.70%	82,900.10
February	2,195,943.65	1,998,666.00	\$ 197,277.65	9.87%	48,294.23	1,785,631.91	\$ 410,311.74	22.98%	105,896.71
March	1,354,076.00	1,381,523.00	\$ (27,447.00)	-1.99%	Pending	1,234,268.50	\$ 119,807.50	9.71%	97,922.57
April									
May									
June									
July									
August									
September									
Total	\$ 9,518,506.67	\$ 9,909,867.00	\$ (391,360.33)	-3.95%	\$ 411,816.37	\$ 8,853,591.41	\$ 664,915.26	7.51%	\$ 525,709.35

MEMORANDUM

March 18, 2024

To: City of Kyle
From: Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP
Re: Akin's Report of Activity for February 2025

Throughout February, Akin has monitored new executive action from the Trump-Vance Administration that may impact the city. Akin has continued to support the City in its grant applications and scheduled a meeting with the Department of Transportation and Federal Railroad Administration to review the CRISI grant application. Akin scheduled meetings with multiple agencies and Congressional offices for the City to meet with during their trip to DC for the National League of Cities conference.

Congressional Updates

Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriations Process

Congress passed a seven-month continuing resolution (CR) funding the government until September. The package cuts non-defense spending, while increasing defense spending about \$6 billion more than current limits, as well as additional funding for Immigration and Customs Enforcement. The CR does not include any earmarks, additional disaster aid, or the debt ceiling deadline.

Agency Updates

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Throughout February, the Environmental Protection Agency in partnership with the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) has reviewed and cancelled numerous grant programs. The agency has reported savings of more than \$287 million taxpayer dollars over three rounds of grant funding cuts. Many of the cancelled grants are considered diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) programs as well as environmental justice.

Department of Housing and Urban Development

On February 13, the Department of Housing and Urban Development launched a DOGE Task Force to review HUD spending. Since, the Department has reported recovering \$1.9 billion in funds they plan to return back to the United States Treasury. Many of these funds have come from cancelled contracts promoting DE.

Grant Tracking

Over the past month, the Federal Government announced the following grant opportunities, which Akin has shared with the City. We welcome feedback from the City on any local projects that might align in the future.

Department of Health and Human Services

- [Head Start/Early Head Start Recipient - Multiple Communities in CO, DE, LA, NC, OK, OR, TN, TX](#)

National Endowment for the Humanities

- [Institutes for Advanced Topics in the Digital Humanities](#)
- [Institutes for Higher Education Faculty and K-12 Educators](#)
- [Landmarks of American History and Culture](#)

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