



NOVEMBER 22, 2024

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, DECEMBER 3, 2024

COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AT TBD
COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AT 7 P.M.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2024

COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AT TBD
COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AT 7 P.M.

II. 4TH QUARTER FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT

Staff Contact: Perwez Moheet

The Financial Status Report (Unaudited) for the 4th Quarter ending September 30, 2024 has been prepared by the City of Kyle's Financial Services Department. The report is intended to provide City Council, City management, taxpayers, and other interested persons with information regarding the City's financial position for the four major operating funds. This report includes financial information for the fourth quarter ending September 30, 2024. (Unaudited)

To view the report, go to cityofkyle.com/finance/page/financial-performance-reports-0.

III. PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Staff Contact: David Lopez

Santa's Arrival December 1st

Santa Claus is coming to Kyle for the 25th year in a row for Santa's Arrival on Sunday, December 1!

Since 1999 the City of Kyle Parks and Recreation Department has invited Santa to the official kick-off to the holiday season at Mary Kyle Hartson City Square Park, 101 S. Burleson St.

Santa's Arrival begins at 4 p.m. and includes the annual tree-lighting ceremony at approximately 5:45 p.m., photos with Santa, holiday food and drink and arts and craft vendors, and holiday music performed by local school choirs and bands.

Free pictures with Santa will be available in the Krug Activity Center. Pictures must be taken with personal cameras or cellular devices. A professional photographer will not be present. The doors open at 4 p.m. and the line will be cut off at a certain point at 8 p.m.

For more information on Santa's Arrival, visit CityofKyle.com/Santa.



Cool Springs Trail Clean-Up

The Parks and Recreation Department's T.E.C (Conservation, Forestry, Trails and Outreach) Division worked with several volunteer residents from the Cool Springs neighborhood, as well community restitution service workers to remove trash, giant ragweed and invasive ligustrum from the twin ponds area of Cool Springs Trail. A total of 35 invasive ligustrum trees were removed. Community Restitution Workers logged 48 hours of community service to complete this project. Special thanks to all the Cool Springs residents and families for the assistance!



Organic Gardening Class

The City of Kyle Parks and Recreation Department's Trails Division has partnered with the Kyle Garden Club to host an introduction to organic gardening class on Saturday, November 23 at 9 a.m. at the Community Garden at Post Oak.

The class will include an introduction to organic gardening, as well as an overview of fertilizers and pesticides, and how to use them. The Community Garden at Post Oak is located at 193 Goddard. To register, please visit kylerec.recdesk.com.

Soccer Clinics

On November 16, 2024, the Kyle Parks and Recreation Department kicked off a fun-filled and educational Soccer Clinic at Steeplechase Park, offering local athletes an opportunity to build skills, foster new interests, and connect with the community.

The clinic was open to two age groups – a youth session for children aged 5 to 9, and a special program for individuals 15 and older. Participants were introduced to key techniques such as dribbling, passing, and shooting, while also learning the importance of teamwork and sportsmanship. The clinic also provided a unique opportunity for those 15 and older to explore soccer, with a focus on developing both athletic abilities and self-confidence, this session gave older individuals a chance to connect with the Kyle Knighthawks Special Olympics Team and learn about the inclusivity and camaraderie that the team represents.

The event was made possible through the support of two local high school soccer teams— Johnson High School Girls' Soccer and Lehman High School Boys' Soccer. Players from both teams volunteered their time and expertise, offering personalized guidance and sharing their passion for the sport with clinic participants. Their involvement not only elevated the experience for attendees, but also demonstrated the power of community collaboration in fostering youth development and inclusion.



Adult Kickball

The Kyle Parks and Recreation Department recently wrapped up another exciting season of kickball, with 9 teams battling it out for the championship title. Over the course of 7 weeks, participants enjoyed friendly competition, camaraderie, and plenty of fun, culminating in an action-packed playoff series that concluded on November 15.

The league saw an impressive turnout, with teams from all over the community coming together to showcase their skills, from strategic kicking to lightning-fast base running. Whether they were seasoned players or new to the sport, everyone enjoyed the spirit of friendly competition that made this season one to remember.

After weeks of high-energy games and intense matchups, the league's playoff bracket shaped up to deliver a thrilling finale. The championship game featured a hard-fought battle between 2 talented teams. In the end, Texas-Based emerged victorious, clinching the title of this year's Kickball Champions. Their impressive teamwork, clutch plays, and unshakeable determination helped them shine through as the season's best.



Social Squad's Friendsgiving

On November 13, 2024, the Kyle Parks and Recreation Department brought the community together for a heartwarming and fun-filled event as part of their monthly Social Squad program.

Designed for adults aged 18 and older with disabilities, the Social Squad provides an inclusive space for participants to connect, socialize, and engage in a variety of recreational activities.

This month's gathering had a special twist—it was themed a "Friendsgiving," bringing the spirit of gratitude, friendship, and togetherness to the forefront. The event allowed participants to enjoy an afternoon of festive activities, games, and, of course, delicious food in a warm and welcoming environment. Participants shared their favorite traditions, swapped stories, and celebrated the bonds of friendship that the program helps foster month after month.

The success of the November Social Squad was another reminder of how important it is to create inclusive spaces where everyone can belong, connect, and have fun. A huge thank you to our sponsor for the donation of food Rudy's in Kyle!



Texas Recreation and Park Society Regional Maintenance Rodeo and Conference

On November 14 and 15, the Kyle Parks and Recreation Department participated in the annual Central Region Texas Recreation and Parks Society (TRAPS) Conference. This 2-day event provided an opportunity for the department to learn, grow, and connect with peers from across the region, enhancing their skills and knowledge to better serve the Kyle community.

The excitement kicked off on November 14 with the Maintenance Rodeo, a highlight of the conference where park maintenance crews from various regions showcased their skills in a series of competitive events. The Kyle Parks and Recreation team was there in full support, cheering on the talented park maintenance crew as they tackled challenges ranging from backpack blower precision tasks to navigating the challenging truck and trailer obstacle course and a home run derby to name a few. It was an inspiring display of skill, teamwork, and dedication to keeping our parks in top shape.

November 15 was focused on professional development as the Recreation Division attended a series of education sessions. These sessions provided valuable insights into the latest trends, best practices, and innovative strategies in the field of recreation. From learning new approaches to community engagement to gaining ideas for expanding recreational programs, the team had the opportunity to deepen their knowledge and enhance the services they offer to Kyle residents.

The conference was an excellent opportunity for the Kyle Parks and Recreation team to grow both professionally and personally, and they returned with new inspiration and tools to continue enhancing the quality of recreational services for Kyle.

December Fun: Save The Dates!

Mark your calendars for December! Kyle Parks and Recreation will be hosting a series of exciting events throughout the month. Check out the [Winter Events Page](#) for more details!

IV. INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT UPDATES

Staff Contact: Mike Murphy

FM 1626 Ground Storage Tank & Pump Station:

- GST contractor will complete wire winding the tank this week. Scaffolding is being dismantled and removed from inside the GST.
- Electrical contractor is currently placing conduit on site.
- Archer Western will start construction improvements to Well Site #4 the first week of December.
- Archer Western and Preload work schedules 7 am - 11:30 pm, Monday-Friday with 2 shifts and on Saturdays from 7 am – 3:30 pm. The schedule may shift due to equipment repairs and availability of material.



Anthem (Hoover) 1 MG EST:

- Painting at grade operations wrapping up. Logo placed and painted.
- Paint at grade work scheduled from October 30 thru November 30.
- Top out scheduled for January.

Wastewater Lift Stations Under Construction:

- Waterstone – Start up procedures/follow up in process.
- Crosswinds 6B – Start up procedures/follow up in process.
- Freedom - Start-up date pending.



**Plum Creek Retail Roads:**

- Duct bank conduit placement across FM 1626 complete.
- Reclaim water line placement across FM 1626 complete.
- Storm drain trunk line placement 50% complete along Avenue A between Everett and Cromwell.
- Wastewater line placement complete on Heroes Memorial Drive.
- Performing Arts Center wastewater service reroute 90% complete.

La Verde Park Parking Lot:

- Contractor installing landscaping and cleaning up the area.

**BeBee Road:**

- The paving crew set a new city paving record of laying 1,400 tons of hot mix in a single day.
- Project Started October 24, 2024
- Project Scope – Mill and Overlay with various full depth repairs from I-35 Frontage Road to Republic Drive, approximately 1.85 lane miles.
- Crews are also working on the treatment plant office pad/parking lot and preparing to mobilize to mill and overlay Goldenrod St., Carriage Way and Wagon Crossing.

Striping Projects:

- Dacy Lane
- Beebe Rd
- Chappa Middle School
- 1,531 LF of Crosswalks and Stop Bars in White Thermoplastic

**Sidewalk Repairs:**

- Approximately 130 LF of damaged sidewalk has been repaired on Amberwood Loop and Seneca Loop.
- The concrete crew is currently working on replacing 130 LF of curb and gutter, and 123 LF of sidewalk on Goldenrod St. prior to the overlay project.



V. 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	2/6/24	Prepare a policy for warming and cooling centers; develop action plan for emergency shelters; and provide data on potential use of such facilities	Complete
2	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
3	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 2025
4	5/7/24	Issue RFP for Wireless Telecommunication Facilities on City-owned properties and within the area	Complete
5	5/7/24	Quarterly ARWA Updates	Ongoing
6	7/2/24	Work with the County in addition to property owner(s) to expand TIRZ #4 to fund the South Goforth Road project	Complete
7	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 December 2024
8	8/20/24	Develop a Customer Assistance Program for residential utility accounts	Assigned to Julie Beggs; Council briefed on November 19, 2024; January 2025
9	8/20/24	Work on a selected location from the 4 options presented to secure a site and solicit bids for the relocation of the historic oak tree on Stagecoach Road	Assigned to Amber Schmeits; December 3, 2024

Item No.	Date of Request	Request	Status
10	8/20/24	Engage consultant to review Uber program and make recommendations for improvements	Assigned to Rosie Truelove; January, 2025
11	9/3/24	\$15,000 for Hays County Food Bank FY 24-25	Complete
12	9/3/24	Create an emergency lockbox program for seniors and others at risk in the community	Complete
13	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 2025
14	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; January 2025
15	9/17/24	Develop a plan to enhance events at Heroes Memorial Park by collaborating with non-profit organizations in our community	Assigned to David Lopez; December 3, 2024
16	10/15/24	Bring back action on Skatepark	Assigned to David Lopez; January 2025
17	10/15/24	Bring back an update on the status of the Wordplace, Waterfront at Marketplace, and Woodmere developments	Complete
18	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
19	11/19/24	Bring back a housing strategy for diversifying the City's housing options	Assigned to Melissa McCollum; February 2025

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City Council Request

DEPARTMENT: Economic Development

FROM: Victoria Vargas, Director of Economic Development

MEETING: November 18, 2024

SUBJECT:

Update on the status of Woodmere Park, Word Place and Waterfront at Marketplace developments.

HISTORY:

At the October 15, 2024 City Council meeting, Council directed staff to provide an update on three developments that have experienced delays. The summaries can be found below.

STAFF CONTACT:

Name: Victoria Vargas

Title: Director of Economic Development

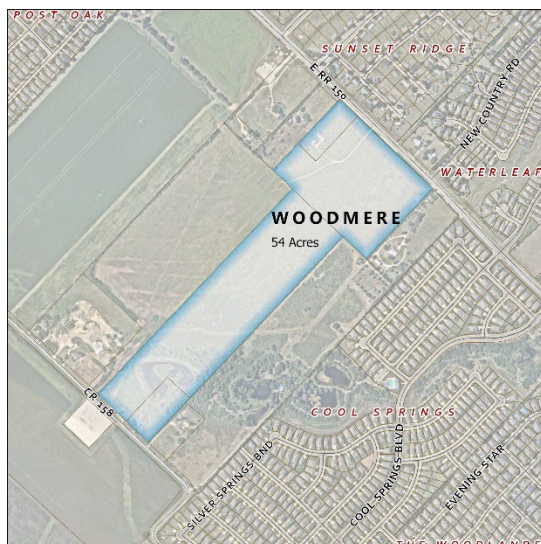
Email: Victoria@cityofkyle.com

Phone: 512-262-3932

SUMMARY:

Woodmere Park: 1500 E. RR 150

Location map:



Financial incentives/Ch. 380:

None provided

Agreements:

- PUD Zoning & Development Agreement approved on February 7, 2023
- Development area: 55 acres

Red = RS (17.7 - acres), Yellow = R-1-2 (22.49 - acres), Brown = R-1-T (14.56 - acres)



- (b) The Developer agrees that the retail/commercial portion of the Property will be submitted for site plan review by the City simultaneously with the the residential portion of the Property. A certificate of occupancy for the first residence will not be issued by the City until construction has commenced on the RS portion of the Property adjacent to East FM 150. Certificate of occupancy means the final certificate of occupancy issued by the City for occupancy or use of a building or structure. Commencement of construction for the purposes of this subsection shall mean that all permits have been issued for construction of the vertical structure, the construction contract has been executed and a notice to proceed has been issued for the vertical structure, and the contractor is actively constructing the vertical structure.

Update:

The project is facing financial delays due to Development Agreement requirements mandating retail construction before Certificates of Occupancy (COs) can be issued for residential units. Rising interest rates have compounded these delays.

Word Place: 1717 N. Burleson

Location map:



Financial incentive/Ch. 380:

PID and TIRZ offered

Agreements:

- ◇ PUD and Development Agreement approved in July 2023
- ◇ PID and TIRZ were contemplated, with the PID created in July 2023. PID will be dissolved if Bonds or Special Exceptions are not issued by March, 2027.
- ◇ Development area: 26.9 acres

**Update:**

The developer recently purchased additional property near the Marketplace Avenue roundabout and is updating entitlements while preparing a TIRZ petition for City Council consideration. Delays stem from economic challenges in securing financing. The developer continues to explore expansion opportunities to enhance the project's long-term success.

Waterfront at Marketplace- City Lights Dr. & Marketplace

Location map:

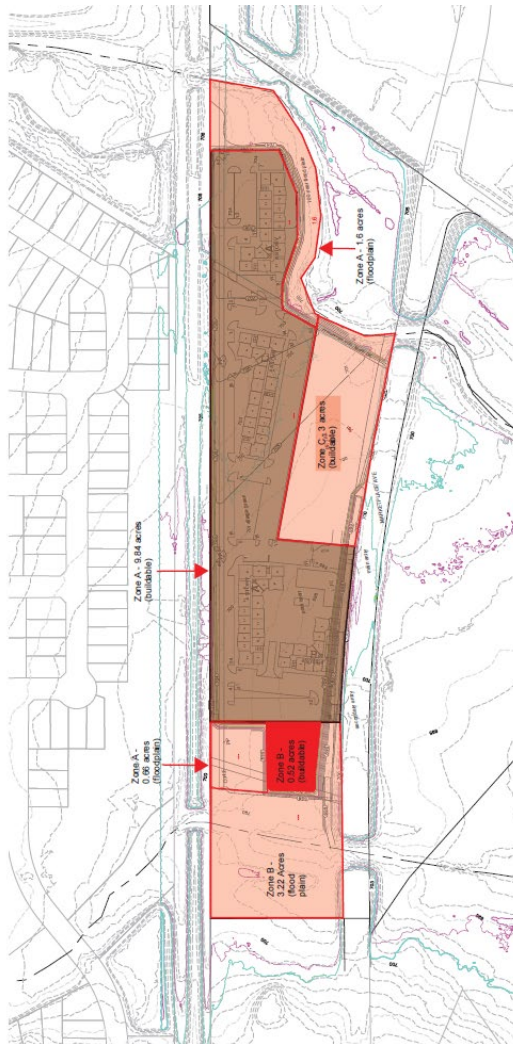


Financial incentive/Ch. 380:

None provided

Agreements:

- Development Agreement approved on February 7, 2023
- Initial Term: 10 years, auto-extended for 5 years if a CO is issued for a building with a minimum of 250 dwelling units. The Agreement terminates upon the issuance of the final multifamily CO.
- Development area: 18.8 acres



(c) Certificates of Occupancy. The Developer agrees that certificate(s) of occupancy for the shell buildings for the north retail portion of the PUD must be issued before the Developer is issued a final certificate of occupancy for any of the residential buildings in the multifamily portion of the PUD.

Update:

The project faces financial delays due to Development Agreement requirements mandating retail construction before COs can be issued for residential units. However, the 10-year Initial Term provides flexibility.



The library will closed
Thursday, Nov. 28th
& Friday, Nov. 29th
for the Thanksgiving Holidays

TUNA CAN DRIVE

**BENEFITING
HAYS COUNTY FOOD BANK**

**KYLE PUBLIC LIBRARY WENT FINE FREE!
FORGIVE PREVIOUS LATE FINES BY
DONATING CANNED TUNA!**

OCT 1 - DEC 1, 2024

**1 POUCH/CAN OF TUNA =
\$2.00 FINES FORGIVEN**

- Accepting tuna only!
- Tuna must have 2025 expiration date or later
- Cannot be used for lost/damaged items



Visit the library circulation
desk with your tuna to fight food
insecurity and clear away fines.

	KYLE PUBLIC LIBRARY ADULT ONLY HOLIDAY HOPPY HOUR PETTING ZOO Tuesday, December 3 6:30-7:30 PM Stressed? Adults (18+) are invited to stop by the library to hold and pet cute animals (who will be wearing little hats), including guinea pigs, a bearded dragon, and a miniature chicken.			

Cookies with Santa

Storytime with
Santa Claus!

December 9th at 10:30am

Kyle Public Library

KYLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

**Kyle Region
Pokémon
Trainers**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14TH
2 P.M.**

Kyle Public Library



2022 Bond Program

Title: Weekly Status Report

Updated on: 11/18/2024

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	35%	Preliminary 50% geometric schematic approved on 9/30/2024.	\$2,158,287.27	\$357,688.54	16.6%	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	60%	90% PS&E due 12/6/2024.	\$1,367,014.84	\$858,549.47	62.8%	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	60%	90% PS&E design due on 12/20/2024. Open House held on 11/13/2024.	\$931,646.13	\$534,022.17	57.3%	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	45%	60% PS&E Submitted on 11/7/2024, currently under review. Open House held on 11/13/2024.	\$3,547,398.02	\$956,529.47	27.0%	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%	60% PS&E due 5/5/2025. NTP issued 10/16/2024. Baseline schedule approved on 11/13/2024.	\$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 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	5%	60% PS&E due 4/22/2025. ROW offers are being prepared. Baseline schedule approved.	\$2,047,287.05	\$0.00	0.0%	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 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	5%	60% PS&E due 2/14/2025. ROW offers are being prepared. Baseline schedule approved.	\$1,799,557.05	\$0.00	0.0%	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%	City Council approved PS&E Task Order on 11/19/2024. NTP given 11/20/2024.	\$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%	City Council approved PS&E Task Order on 11/19/2024. NTP given 11/20/2024.	\$450,567.75	\$412,727.36	91.6%	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	50%	Partial Revised 60% PS&E submitted on 11/15/2024. Open House held on 11/14/2024. All ROW surveys have been initiated.	\$3,189,199.74	\$1,531,166.40	48.0%	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	0%	Channel and Vybe trail clearance completed 11/14/2024.	\$7,704,628.40	\$407,531.00	5.3%	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 1/8/2025. Open House held on 11/14/2024.	\$2,030,777.09	\$731,605.91	36.0%	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 due 12/06/2024.	\$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.
						\$ 34,256,223.46	\$11,967,315.12	34.93%	

MEMORANDUM

November 6, 2024

To: City of Kyle
From: Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP
Re: Akin's Report of Activity for October 2024

Throughout October, Akin continued to monitor grant opportunities for the City, posting relevant grants to projects listed on the database. Furthermore, Akin visited the City, meeting with local leaders to discuss future strategy. Akin has continued to engage with Senate offices on a visit to the City.

Congressional Updates

Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriations Process

On September 25, the House passed a continuing resolution (CR) at 341 to 82, followed by Senate approval of 78-18, funding the government through December 20. The CR passed amid calls from former President Donald Trump and the House Freedom Caucus' urges to shut down the government unless provisions preventing noncitizens from voting were attached. Most federal agencies will continue to run on the current budgets until the new deadline. Although the Federal Emergency Management Agency received \$20 billion in the CR, they are expected to need more funding in the next few months. The CR also included \$231 million to the Secret Service following the attempted assassination of former President Donald Trump.

Election Update

On November 5, former President Donald Trump won his reelection with 292 electoral vote to Vice President Kamala Harris' 224. On November 6, Vice President Kamala Harris called Mr. Trump to concede the election. The Republican party flipped three seats in the Senate, bringing their seat count to 52, with Democrats holding 43. The House of Representatives race is still ongoing, as votes in key seats are still counted.

Agency Updates

U.S. Department of Transportation

On October 21, the Department of Transportation [announced](#) the awarding of over \$4.2 billion in funding from the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law* ([P.L. 117-58](#)) for national infrastructure projects. The grants were awarded through the National Infrastructure Project Assistance grant program and the Infrastructure for Rebuilding America grant program. A total of 44 projects

were selected. Applications for the Multimodal Discretionary Grant Program, which allows one application for consideration under the Mega, INFRA, and Rural grant programs [opened](#) in March.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

On October 9, the Environmental Protection Agency [announced](#) the availability of \$198,508,000 in drinking water infrastructure funding for Texas through the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law*. The funding will support the replacement of lead pipes and inventory projects. Furthermore, there is a \$35 million competitive grant [application](#) for reducing lead in drinking water. Forty-nine percent of the total funding must be provided to disadvantaged communities as grant funding or principal forgiveness.

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 Transportation

- [FY 2025 National Infrastructure Investments](#)
- [Fiscal Years 2024-2026 Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation \(PROTECT\) Program](#)
- [NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY FOR FISCAL YEAR \(FY\) 2024 – 2026 GARRETT A. MORGAN TECHNOLOGY AND TRANSPORTATION EDUCATION PROGRAM](#)
- [FY24 Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail Grant Program](#)
- [2025 Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund](#)
- [2026 Tribal Transportation Program Safety Fund](#)

Department of the Interior

- [Sacramento River Valley Habitat & Facility Improvements IRA](#)
- [FY2024 Historic Preservation Fund- Save America's Treasures- Collection Grants](#)
- [FY2024 Historic Preservation Fund- Save America's Treasures - Preservation Grants](#)

Department of Commerce

- [Sea Grant Programs Only - FY2025 Establishing and Supporting Partnerships with Minority Serving Institutions \(MSIs\) in Aquaculture: Regional Collaboratives](#)
- [Sea Grant Programs Only - FY2025 Aquaculture Internship Programs](#)
- [Precision Measurement Grant Program](#)
- [2025 NOAA Hawaii Bay Watershed Education and Training \(B-WET\) program](#)
- [FY 25 MARFIN](#)
- [FY25 Ocean Acidification Coastal Research: Uniting Investigations and Shipboard Experiments \(OA CRUISE\)](#)
- [FY2025 National Aquaculture Initiative: Strengthening U.S. Coastal, Marine, and Great Lakes Aquaculture Through Business Support](#)
- [FY 2024 – 2026 Broad Agency Announcement \(BAA\), Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research \(OAR\)](#)
- [2025 Regional Ecosystem Research \(RER\) Program: Understanding Species' Habitat Usage and Connectivity in and around Marine Protected Areas](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

- [Early Head Start Expansion and Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership Grants - Multiple Communities in GA, LA, MD, MI, NJ, NY, OH, VA, WI](#)
- [Head Start/Early Head Start Recipient - Multiple Communities in AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MT, NJ, NM, NY, NC, OH, OR, PA, PR, SC, SD, TN, TX, VT, VA, WA, WI](#)
- [Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training Program for Professionals](#)
- [Graduate Psychology Education Program \(GPE\)](#)
- [Field Initiated Projects Program \(Research\)](#)
- [Field Initiated Projects Program \(Development\)](#)
- [Occupational Safety and Health Education and Research Centers \(T42\)](#)

Department of Housing and Urban Development

- [Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program \(SHOP\)](#)

Environmental Protection Agency

- [Reducing Lead in Drinking Water Grant Program](#)
- [Fiscal Year \(FY\) 2025 Funding Opportunity for Indian Tribes and Intertribal Consortia for Nonpoint Source Management Grants Under Clean Water Act Section 319](#)

Department of Agriculture

- [Farm to School Implementation Grant](#)

- [Community Forest and Open Space Conservation Program](#)
- [Rural Business Development Grant Program](#)

Akin is available to address any questions or discuss relevant federal action at Kyle's request.

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