

**CITY OF EDGERTON
SPECIAL COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
EDGERTON CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
12 ALBION STREET**

Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

NOTICE: The meeting noticed above will also be live streamed on a Zoom platform: To view the meeting, please select the link to the meeting listed on the **calendar events** on the City website's home page at www.cityofedgerton.com. Due to occasional technical difficulties, citizen participation via Zoom may not be possible.

1. Call to order; Roll call
2. Confirmation of appropriate meeting notice posted on Friday, July 15, 2022.
3. Consider use of ARPA fund allocations.
4. Adjourn

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Memo

To: Common Council
From: Staff
Date: 7/15/2022
Re: July 19, 2022 Special Meeting - ARPA

ARPA: The City has received a total of \$589,388.64 in ARPA Funds. The attached schedule describes the status of expenditures. The projects in the "Reported to US Treasury" column are fixed at this point in that they cannot be removed from the list of ARPA funded projects. The items listed as "anticipated project costs" are those projects for which the council has discussed using ARPA funds. (Please make sure to note any projects that should be in this list that may be missing.)

Also in your packet is a League of Municipalities article that, while dated, still provides good information to think about. One important modification to the program is that the final rule basically provides great flexibility in how the funds can be spent.

Below is a list of potential projects and some criteria that might be useful when discussing them. Please add your own criteria to the decision-making process.

Comprehensive Park Plan: The Parks Committee has recommended the City update the 2008 Park Plan in an effort to (1) provide better guidance as parks are created with new subdivisions and (2) better utilize our existing park space. Proposals are due in early August. The estimated cost is a very rough estimate.

Library meeting rooms: The library board requested funding for half of the costs of constructing two meeting rooms.

Racetrack Park performance space: The Parks Committee recommended the city pay for a concept plan to upgrade the dance floor area in Racetrack Park. Kirsten Almo, representing several of the groups that might use the performance space, will provide greater detail for this project.

Private side lead lateral replacement: The council agreed to pay for the private side lead lateral replacements for buildings that are not eligible for the DNR grant (commercial properties). The DNR is hopeful that there will be more funding next year but anticipates that there will be loan requirement as opposed to the 100% grant funding of the current program. We hope to have a complete inventory of the number of lead laterals left in the system by the end of this year but based on information we have now, we estimate that there are about 100 more laterals. Note that we will have replaced about 250 by the end of this year's program.

Solar at WWTP: The Wastewater treatment plant has land available for a sizeable solar installation and also has a large electric energy demand.

Solar on PD: The orientation of the police station is suitable for a solar array on the roof.

Solar on Library: The orientation of the library is suitable for a solar array on the roof. The roof of the library is currently in need of replacement which would provide an opportunity to plan the solar installation. The library has a large energy load.

Generator, generator connections, and battery backups at City Hall, PD, and Library: Generators, generator connections, and battery backups would provide resiliency to these facilities.

Planting natural lawns on public property: The Council has talked about planting certain public areas with natural plants to support pollinators and to reduce mowing costs.

Electric vehicle charging station: Provide a public access electric vehicle charging station.

Flashing light for pedestrian safety: The public works and safety committees have talked about flashing pedestrian crossing lights.

ARPA Funds

Income

2021 Revenue	\$	294,694.32
June 20 , 2022 Revenue	\$	294,694.32
Interest		
Total Revenue	\$	589,388.64

Expenses

Projects	Reported to US Treasury	Anticipated Project Costs
Water utility meter readers		\$ 17,147.33
GIS mapping	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Commercial lead laterals		\$ 25,000.00
Receipting Software	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 7,800.00
Adminstrative	\$ 240.68	\$ 240.68
Fire District	\$ 11,844.72	\$ 11,844.72
Total Expenses	\$ 39,885.40	\$ 82,032.73

Remaining balance \$ 507,355.91

Project	Impact on Operating costs (1)	Impact on community	Other benefits	Other funding sources	Likelihood of being funded without ARPA funds	Estimated Cost
Comprehensive Park Plan	Potential for positive impact	Better parks and recreation services	Better decision making, especially during the subdivision process. Better chance of getting grants	Tax Levy/borrowing, capital surplus		\$25,000
Library meeting rooms		Better service to residents		Donations, tax levy/borrowing		\$50,000
Race-track Park performance space	Increased cost for maintenance	Could be used by many organizations	May attract more events, positive image	Service clubs (such as Rotary), users (such as Tobacco Days); partially with park impact fees; tax levy/borrowing		\$620,000
Private side lead laterals	May reduce cost of chemicals added to the drinking water system	Reduce lead in the all drinking water; may eliminate need to corrosion prevention chemical in the water		Grants; Water Utility (all rate payers); special assessments of property owners		\$300,000 with a 50% is a grant
Solar at WWTP	Significant reduction in out of pocket costs		Reduced carbon footprint; positive image	Rate payers/borrowing; grants		\$1800,00
Solar on PD	Reduction on out of pocket costs		Reduced carbon footprint; positive image	tax levy/borrowing; grants		\$41,000
Solar on Library	Significant reduction in out of pocket costs		Reduced carbon footprint; positive image	tax levy/borrowing; grants		\$54,000
Generator, generator connections or battery backups at City Hall, PD, and Library	Dedicated generator increases operating costs	Having facilities with a generator connect will improve operations, resiliency, and protect structures	Would allow library to serve as a warming or cooling facility during power outages	Tax levy/borrowing; capital surplus		\$20,000 per building for connection
Planting Natural Lawns on public property	Potential to reduce if areas are currently mowed on weekly basis		Benefit to pollinators; stormwater control	Grants; park impact fees if located in a park		\$10,000+
Electric Vehicle charging station			Positive image; environmental benefits of electric vehicles	Grants; tax levy/borrowing; private sector		\$10,000
Flashing light for pedestrian safety	Lights increase operating costs	Improved pedestrian safety		Grants; tax levy; capital surplus		\$10,000

(1) Projects that reduce out of pocket operating expenses provide an opportunity to do a project, set aside the annual savings and then do another project "with the same funds". For example: if the council decided to install solar panels on the library and that reduced energy costs by \$2,000 per year. The Council could set aside those savings and in 10 years have \$20,000 to spend on another project.