

City of Austin, Minnesota

5-Year Capital Improvement Plan

2023 - 2027



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AUSTIN MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

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COMMUNITY VISION

PLANNING FOR AND INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE BY...

- Providing a safe, high-quality community to raise children, which will encourage generations to remain in (or return to) Austin
- Coordinating and focusing efforts to create well paying jobs
- Respecting and celebrating the values and cultures of all our citizens
- Encouraging a healthy, diverse economy and a vibrant, attractive central business district
- Creating a high level of recreational and quality of life opportunities for all ages
- Partnering with other governments and the private sector to "grow our community together"

Adopted by the Austin City Council on July 21, 2003.

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INTRODUCTION

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: City Staff

DATE: December 19, 2022

RE: 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan (2023 – 2027)

This document has been prepared in order to carefully plan for future public improvements. It is a physical program and financial plan for the next five year-period, updated annually. We are pleased to present the 2023-2027 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

The annual CIP update process begins with input from the various department heads. They offer input by evaluating the future needs of their department, and the city as a whole. City Administrator Clark and Director of Administrative Services Dankert have analyzed the requests and present the plan in this booklet for the council's consideration and use in the future.

The total request is \$190,336,000 for the five years of 2023 through 2027. These expenditures are for a wide variety of items like the airport, treatment plants, street construction and vehicle replacement. An important item to highlight is the limited use of property taxes over the next five years to accomplish the \$190 million in capital improvements. This is because the city has been successful at using a combination of investment earnings (Building Fund), adequate user charges, and sound fiscal management to leverage city money with funding from outside donations and the state and federal governments.

Debt issuance will, for the most part, only be used by the city for street projects for which at least 20% of the project cost may be assessed to the property owners. Additionally, the city intends on using bonding in order to finance the improvements at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, part of which are paid by the Hormel Foods Corporation. If Hormel Foods Corporation chooses to pay cash for the specific improvements, no bond issue would be needed for their portion.

The various types of public capital expenditures covered in this Plan are listed in the Table of Contents. In Section 1 are project narratives, project schedules, funding

summary, and a fund cash balance review. Section 2 is the finance plan summary by fund. Section 3 lists potential projects that are not covered in the Plan, and Section 4 provides maps.

The CIP is submitted to the City Council annually during budget time for the council to review and approve. The adoption of the CIP gives staff the authority to plan for each year's approved capital projects. It is essential for maintaining our Aa2 credit rating that impacts the rate of interest we pay when selling bonds to finance certain projects. It provides a schedule of city capital projects over the next five years and a plan for financing them.

It is also important to highlight that the availability of the funding source is what will drive a project. For example, if the city does not receive the allocation from the federal government for the airport improvements, these projects may need to be delayed until such time as funding is received. In the event our state aid is reduced again, this 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan will need to be amended, as allocations out of both the tax levy and Building Fund may need to be deferred to fund the operations of the city until we can find some permanent solutions to offset the reduction in our state aid.

We thank the Mayor and City Council for their support in completing this important process. The commitment of this community's elected leaders to adopt a 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan shows a commitment to excellent financial planning, a willingness to properly plan for the future, and a desire to inform citizens about what is being invested in this community on an annual basis. This document truly shows the citizens of Austin that the Mayor and City Council are committed to accomplishing their Community Vision by planning for and investing in our future!

City Administrator

Director of Public Works

Chief of Police

Director of Parks and Recreation

Fire Chief

Director of Administrative Services

Library Director

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CAPITAL EXPENDITURES (2023-2027)

The following summarizes the information detailed in Section 1 that follows. The amounts below represent the expenditures proposed by the different departments over the next five years (2023-2027).

	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Police Department	188,100	379,600	163,500	207,600	278,200
Fire Department	59,000	1,645,000	59,000	-	-
Library	85,000	20,000	275,000	105,000	100,000
Nature Center	33,000	100,000	15,000	30,000	-
Administration	79,000	305,500	45,000	45,000	45,000
Wastewater Treat. Plant	25,128,500	30,250,000	31,515,000	18,000,000	-
Central Garage	541,500	595,000	610,000	1,145,000	820,000
Waste Transfer Station	25,000	-	2,500	50,000	2,500
Airport	1,885,000	100,000	-	500,000	-
Street Imp. - Local	1,810,000	3,300,000	3,175,000	3,055,000	3,025,000
Street Imp. - MSA	3,500,000	1,450,000	3,700,000	3,325,000	4,750,000
Trails	185,000	-	325,000	200,000	-
Sanitary Sewer	2,975,000	2,900,000	1,950,000	2,350,000	4,300,000
Miscellaneous Projects	1,175,000	1,675,000	2,030,000	1,050,000	1,300,000
Parks and Recreation	380,000	835,000	755,000	690,000	165,000
Storm Water Utility District	520,000	770,000	570,000	1,820,000	420,000
Senior Citizens Center	6,500	7,000	-	10,000	-
Flood Mitigation	5,750,000	-	5,800,000	-	-
Mayor and City Council	1,100,000	-	-	-	-
Economic Development	1,400,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
	46,825,600	44,432,100	51,090,000	32,682,600	15,305,700
Grants/Assessments	34,670,500	18,865,000	25,597,500	15,135,000	7,350,000
Tax Levy	700,600	1,209,100	968,500	802,600	778,200
Fund Balance	201,500	-	25,000	15,000	-
Bond Issues	3,360,000	17,475,000	17,385,000	9,295,000	2,275,000
Fire PERA (29000)	33,000	-	-	-	-
Local Sales Tax (40000)	3,000,000	1,116,000	2,900,000	1,250,000	1,000,000
Building Fund (48000)	1,230,000	-	275,000	105,000	-
Capital Imp. Fund (49000)	650,000	400,000	600,000	485,000	400,000
WWTP Fund (61000)	1,797,500	1,850,000	1,857,500	3,100,000	2,150,000
Waste Transfer (62000)	25,000	-	2,500	50,000	2,500
Storm Water Fund (67000)	420,000	654,000	570,000	820,000	420,000
Central Garage (71000)	691,500	945,000	830,000	1,605,000	910,000
M.I.S Replace. Fund (72000)	20,000	273,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Fire Fleet Repl. Fund (73000)	26,000	1,645,000	59,000	-	-
	46,825,600	44,432,100	51,090,000	32,682,600	15,305,700

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**SECTION
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CAPITAL
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PLAN**

A. POLICE DEPARTMENT

1. Project Descriptions

a) New Marked Police Cars (1-3 annually):

Each year the Police Department must purchase squad cars to replace the older fleet. The current vehicles are used for approximately three years and average over 100,000 miles before they are retired and sold at auction.

The one to three new vehicles are to be purchased from the City of Austin's tax levy. The estimated cost of the new vehicles is \$44,000 per vehicle (three vehicles in 2023, 2024, 2026, and 2027; one vehicle in 2025). This is an annual request that needs to be funded each year, including an inflationary increase each year, and would be paid for from the City of Austin's tax levy.

b) Unmarked Vehicles:

We currently have six unmarked vehicles that are used by the Police Chief, Police Captain, and the Police Investigators. The vehicles end up having in excess of 60,000 miles on them, but some will be in excess of ten years old. One vehicle is scheduled for replacement in 2024 and two more are scheduled for 2025.

The estimated cost of is \$42,000 (2024) and \$94,000 (2025), including vehicle equipment and would be purchased from the City of Austin's tax levy in 2024 and 2025.

c) CSO Vehicle:

The Community Service Officers share an extended cab pickup truck for their duties. The vehicle should be replaced every three years or so due to the extensive mileage (150,000 estimated miles).

The estimated cost of these vehicles, including equipment, is \$64,000 and would be purchased from the City of Austin's tax levy in 2027.

d) Police Computers and Monitors:

The police department will need to replace computers and software within the law enforcement center on a regular basis. The estimated cost of \$3,000 for 2022 is for the Detectives, and then \$6,000 annually for other staff.

The estimated cost of this project is \$6,000 (2023-2027) and would be purchased from the City of Austin's tax levy.

e) **Police Equipment:**

The Police Department is proposing the following purchases:

- New squad car equipment in 2023 thru 2027 \$199,400
- Body cameras in 2024 \$180,000

The estimated cost of this project is \$379,400 and would be purchased in 2023-2027 from the City of Austin’s tax levy.

2. **Project Schedule**

PROJECT SCHEDULE – POLICE DEPARTMENT						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Police Cars	\$ 132,000	\$ 135,000	\$ 46,000	\$ 144,000	\$ 150,000
b	Unmarked Vehicles		\$ 42,600	\$ 94,000		
c	CSO Vehicle					\$ 64,000
d	Computers/Monitors	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
e	Police Equipment	\$ 50,100	\$ 196,000	\$ 17,500	\$ 57,600	\$ 58,200
	Total Expenses	\$ 188,100	\$ 379,600	\$ 163,500	\$ 207,600	\$ 278,200

3. **Funding Summary**

FUNDING SUMMARY – POLICE DEPARTMENT					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Tax Levy	\$ 188,100	\$ 379,600	\$ 163,500	\$ 207,600	\$ 278,200
Fund Balance					
Capital Impr. (49000)					
Building Fund (48000)					
Total Police	\$ 188,100	\$ 379,600	\$ 163,500	\$ 207,600	\$ 278,200

Note 1:

See Section II for a review of the Tax Levy.
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B. FIRE DEPARTMENT

1. Project Descriptions

a) Rescue Boat:

The fire department is scheduled to replace the 1965 fiberglass rescue boat as the fiberglass is weakening and is worn down to the wood substructure on the back end of the boat. The proposed replacement is a Zodiac inflatable, which will allow for both lake and swift water operations. The estimated cost is \$26,000 and would be paid for via the Fire Fleet Fund (73000) in 2023.

b) Rescue Equipment:

The fire department is planning on acquiring some confined space rescue equipment including breathing equipment and some hard-wired communication equipment. The estimated cost is \$33,000 and would be paid for via the Fire PERA Fund (29000) in 2023.

c) Fire Trucks:

The fire department is scheduled to replace ladder truck #308 in 2024 as it will be 32 years old at that time. Technology, safety, and increased drivability will be just a few of the advantages of a new 100' ladder truck. The estimated cost is \$1,645,000 and would be paid for via the Fire Fleet Fund (73000) in 2024.

Fire apparatus #306 will be nine years old and have over \$100,000 miles on it in 2025. This vehicle spends many hours idling on the fire scene adding additional hours to the vehicle's engine in addition to the mileage. The estimated cost is \$59,000 and would be paid for via the Fire Fleet Fund (73000) in 2025.

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – FIRE DEPARTMENT						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Rescue Boat	\$ 26,000				
b	Rescue Equipment	\$ 33,000				
c	Fire Vehicles		\$ 1,645,000	\$ 59,000		
	Total Expenses	\$ 59,000	\$ 1,645,000	\$ 59,000	\$ 0	\$ 0

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – FIRE					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Fire PERA Fund (29000)	\$ 33,000				
Fire Fleet Repl. (73000)	\$ 26,000	\$ 1,645,000	\$ 59,000		
Total Fire	\$ 59,000	\$ 1,645,000	\$ 59,000	\$ 0	\$ 0

CASH BALANCE REVIEW – FIRE PERA FUND (29000)					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Beg. Cash Balance 1/1	\$ 250,000	\$ 217,300	\$ 217,600	\$ 217,900	\$ 218,200
Investment Earnings	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 300
Less: Rescue Equipment	(\$ 33,000)				
Less:					
End. Cash Balance 12/31	\$ 217,300	\$ 217,600	\$ 217,900	\$ 218,200	\$ 218,500

CASH BALANCE REVIEW – FIRE FLEET REPLACEMENT FUND (73000)					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Beg. Cash Balance 1/1	\$ 3,200,000	\$ 3,362,500	\$1,906,500	\$2,145,500	\$ 2,352,400
Investment Earnings	\$ 1,500	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
User Charges (Note 1)	\$ 220,000	\$ 220,000	\$ 230,000	\$ 240,000	\$ 250,000
Proceeds of Asset Sale			\$ 100,000		
Less: Rescue Boat	(\$ 26,000)				
Less: Truck Replacement		(\$1,645,000)	(\$ 59,000)		
Less: Operations (Note 2)	(\$ 33,000)	(\$ 34,000)	(\$ 35,000)	(\$ 36,100)	(\$ 37,100)
End. Cash Balance 12/31	\$ 3,362,500	\$ 1,906,500	\$2,145,500	\$2,352,400	\$ 2,568,300

Note 1: The City of Austin funds the Fire Fleet Replacement Fund (73000) based on the depreciation charges of the existing fire fleet. Annually, funds are transferred from the General Fund Fire Department budget to cover maintenance of the vehicles plus provide adequate funding to continually replace fire trucks as they become aged.

Note 2: Operations in the Fire Fleet Replacement Fund (73000) consists of parts for the vehicles plus fuel and oil. An estimated annual 3% increase is included.

C. LIBRARY

1. Project Descriptions

a) Library Furniture:

Most of the furniture in the library is original to when the current building opened in 1996. The upholstered chairs have been redone several times to extend the life of the furniture. In order to provide safe, comfortable, and attractive space, we anticipate a need to replace seating for 45 (chairs and couches), study tables and chairs, and some staff work stations.

The estimated cost of \$85,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin's tax levy in 2023.

b) Self-check Machines:

The existing three self-check machines were purchased in 2010 and will be 14 years old in 2024 and no longer supported for software updates.

The estimated cost of \$20,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin's tax levy in 2024.

c) Roof Replacement:

The library's original 1996 flat rubber roof has an expected life of 20-25 years. In 2025 the roof will be 29 years old, and we anticipate the need to replace two sections (B and D) in Phase I and in three sections (A, C, and E) in Phase 2.

The estimated cost of \$380,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin's Building Fund (48000) in 2025 (\$275,000) and 2026 (\$105,000).

d) Staff Workstations:

The library's staff workstations are original from the construction in 1996. Cubicles are lacking standard ergonomics and accessibility features and components are worn. Replacing and refreshing workstations would increase efficiency and safety, and help to maintain the professional environment, while providing flexibility for many years to come.

The estimated cost of \$100,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin's tax levy in 2027.

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – LIBRARY						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Library Furniture	\$ 85,000				
b	Self-check Machines		\$ 20,000			
c	Roof Replacement			\$ 275,000	\$ 105,000	
d	Staff Workstations					\$ 100,000
	Total Expenses	\$ 85,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 275,000	\$ 105,000	\$ 100,000

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – LIBRARY					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Tax Levy	\$ 85,000	\$ 20,000			\$ 100,000
Building Fund (48000)			\$ 275,000	\$ 105,000	
Grants					
Total Library	\$ 85,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 275,000	\$ 105,000	\$ 100,000

Note 1:

See Section II for a review of Grants, Building Fund, and Tax Levy.

D. NATURE CENTER

1. Project Descriptions

a) Covered Bridge:

The roof and riprap surrounding the covered bridge are in need of replacement. The estimated cost is \$15,000 and would be paid for via the City of Austin’s tax levy in 2023.

b) Observatory Repairs:

The Sola Fide Observatory south of Austin is in need of new siding and some roof repairs. The estimated cost of \$18,000 would be paid via the City of Austin’s tax levy in 2023.

c) Bridge Repair:

There are currently two bridges within the Nature Center that are going to be in need of repair in the near future. The projects will be spread out over two years with an expected grant to pay for the total cost of each bridge. The estimated cost is \$100,000 and would be paid for via grants in 2024.

d) Building Repairs:

Ruby Rupner auditorium is in need of a new roof and some chimney repairs at an estimated cost of \$15,000. Additionally, new conduit and fire/security/data lines need to be pulled to connect the buildings together at an estimated cost of \$30,000. The total estimated cost is \$45,000 and would be paid for via the City of Austin’s tax levy in 2025 (\$15,000) and 2026 (\$30,000).

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – NATURE CENTER						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Covered Bridge	\$ 15,000				
b	Observatory Repairs	\$ 18,000				
c	Bridge Repairs		\$ 100,000			
d	Building Repairs			\$ 15,000	\$ 30,000	
	Total Expenses	\$ 33,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 0

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – NATURE CENTER					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Tax Levy	\$ 33,000		\$ 15,000	\$ 30,000	
Building Fund (48000)					
Grants		\$ 100,000			
Total Nature Center	\$ 33,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 0

Note 1:

See Section II for a review of the Tax levy, Building Fund, and Grants.

E. ADMINISTRATION

1. Project Descriptions

a) Computer Replacement – City Hall:

The city has annual needs to replace computers, printers, servers, and monitors just through the normal wear and tear of the equipment. Although all computers are refurbished and given out to lower end users, there comes a need to throw certain equipment out and replace as needed. All computer replacements will be evaluated and replaced accordingly. In 2023 the new computers are scheduled for certain employees in Finance/Clerk/Building Inspection/SWUD.

The annual estimated cost of \$20,000 (computer replacement) would be paid for via the City of Austin's M.I.S. Fund annually (2023-2027).

b) Public Works Equipment:

The Public Works Department (Engineering, Planning/Zoning, and Sign Shop) is in need of the following items:

- Aerial photography 5-year update, \$7,000
- Survey equipment, \$5,000
- Street name sign replacement (current signs no longer comply with state standards), \$25,000

The estimated cost of \$37,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin's tax levy in 2023.

Beyond 2023, the Public Works Department has envisioned the following expenditures:

- Street name sign replacement (\$ 25,000 annually from 2024-2027)

c) City Hall Controls:

The current automation controls at city hall is outdated and nearing end of cycle, as we have witnessed numerous problems over the years. A new building automation system to replace the current outdated controls is proposed.

The estimated cost of \$22,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin's tax levy in 2023.

d) iPads:

The current iPads (18) staff and the elected official use will be 11 years old in 2024 and in need of replacement to ensure support for the operating system.

The estimated cost of \$7,500 would be paid for via the City of Austin's tax levy in 2024.

e) **Software Implementation:**

The current provider of accounting and human resources software is in the process of an RFP as the current software we use is nearing the end of support from Oracle. The RFP will include implementation costs and annual licensing/maintenance fees.

The estimated implementation cost of \$253,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin’s M.I.S. Fund in 2024 after a General Fund transfer from fund balance of \$200,000.

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – ADMINISTRATION						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Comp. Replacement	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
d	Public Works Imp.	\$ 37,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
c	City Hall Controls	\$ 22,000				
d	iPads		\$ 7,500			
e	Software Implementation		\$ 253,000			
	Total Expenses	\$ 79,000	\$ 305,500	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – ADMINISTRATION					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Tax Levy	\$ 59,000	\$ 32,500	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
Building Fund (48000)					
M.I.S. Repl. Fund (72000)	\$ 20,000	\$ 273,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Total Administration	\$ 79,000	\$ 305,500	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 45,000

CASH BALANCE REVIEW – M.I.S. REPLACEMENT FUND (72000)					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Beg. Cash Balance 1/1	\$230,000	\$259,236	\$247,136	\$240,136	\$233,836
Investment Earnings		\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
User Charges	\$260,000	\$275,000	\$285,000	\$295,000	\$305,000
General Fund Transfer		\$ 200,000			
Less: Computer Replace.	(\$ 20,000)	(\$273,000)	(\$ 20,000)	(\$ 20,000)	(\$ 20,000)
Less: Operations (Note 1)	(\$210,764)	(\$217,100)	(\$275,000)	(\$283,300)	(\$291,700)
End. Cash Balance 12/31	\$ 259,236	\$ 247,136	\$ 240,136	\$ 233,836	\$ 229,136

Note 1: The M.I.S. Administrator is paid for via this fund and includes an estimated inflationary increase factor of 3% per year. In 2025, after implementation, LOGIS annual fees estimated to increase \$50,000. This does not include a depreciation charge as this is looking at cash balances only.

Note 2:

See Section II for a review of the Tax Levy and Building Fund.
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F. WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

1. Project Descriptions

a) Expansion and Phosphorus Reduction Project

The project is planned to replace or upgrade the following treatment facilities:

- The existing high-rate filters constructed in 1938
- The intermediate and final clarifiers originally constructed in 1958
- The nitrification building constructed in 1996
- The bio-solids storage building constructed in 2003
- Industrial facility digestion and separators constructed in 1960's

The project will involve moving away from a fixed-film treatment process to an activated sludge treatment process. Key treatment improvements include the following:

- Suspended Air Flotation
- Activated Sludge Tanks
- Solids Handling
- UV Disinfection
- Upgrades to existing facilities

The total estimated cost of construction is \$105,000,000

- Domestic \$11,500,000
- Combined \$66,000,000
- Industrial \$22,000,000
- Engineering \$5,500,000

Total Yearly Construction Cost Estimates

- ~~2022 \$ 5,000,000~~
- 2023 \$ 25,000,000
- 2024 \$ 30,000,000
- 2025 \$ 30,000,000
- 2026 \$ 15,000,000

Estimated Project Funding

- PSIGrant \$ 7,000,000
- Green Energy Grant \$ 1,000,000
- State Bonding Grant \$ 5,000,000
- PFA Loan \$39,000,000
- WWTP Fund Reserve \$ 1,000,000
- Hormel Agreement \$52,000,000

Construction is expected to last 3+ years from 2022-2026. Bonding will be required for Domestic and Industrial costs, with bond repayment via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund.

b) Coatings – Hope Street:

This upgrade provides for the application of concrete coatings in the wet well at the Hope Street lift station. These coatings will help to minimize corrosion and deterioration of the walls of the structure.

The estimated cost of the project is \$50,000 would be funded 100% by the Industrial plant. This project is scheduled for construction in 2023.

c) Sewer Building:

The former Sewer building was built in the 1980's with a steel frame structure with metal siding and roof. The corrosive nature of the WWTP has caused rusted and deteriorated the metal sheeting over the past 45 years and is in need of new siding and a new roof.

The estimated cost of the project is \$200,000 would be funded 50/50 between the Domestic and Industrial plants. This project is scheduled for construction in 2024.

d) Force Main Replacement – Hope Street:

This upgrade provides for the replacement of the force main from the Hope Street lift station to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. There is approximately 7,000 feet of force main at an estimated cost of \$200 per linear foot.

The estimated cost of the project is \$1,500,000 would be funded 100% by the Industrial plant. This project is scheduled for construction in 2025.

e) EQ/Digester Cover Replacement, #1-west

This upgrade provides for the replacement of the floating cover on #1-west Industrial EQ/Digester. The EQ/Digesters were originally constructed in 2003 and the #2-east cover failed and was replaced in 2022.

The estimated cost of the project is \$3,000,000 would be funded 100% by the Industrial plant. This project is scheduled for construction in 2026.

f) Sewer Equipment Purchases:

The following are the scheduled equipment purchases for the Sewer Maintenance and Wastewater Treatment Plant for 2023:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Dom./Coll.</u>	<u>Industrial</u>
Hope Street, #3 Pump Powerhouse & Impeller Replacement	\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000
Hope Street West Walk Door	\$ 8,000		\$ 8,000
Hope Street Chain Hoist Replacement	\$ 8,000		\$ 8,000
SW Lift Station Walk Door Replacement	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	
Lift Station Pump	\$ 12,500	\$ 12,500	
Total Equipment	\$ 78,500	\$ 22,500	\$ 56,000

Future Equipment Purchases

- Hope Street #4 Pump Replacement \$50,000 (2024 Industrial)
- Electric Pallet Stacker, Chemical Building \$15,000 (2025 Dom/Ind)

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Expansion Project	\$25,000,000	\$30,000,000	\$30,000,000	\$15,000,000	
b	Hope Street-coatings	\$ 50,000				
c	Sewer Building		\$ 200,000			
d	Force Main-Hope			\$ 1,500,000		
e	EQ/Digester cover				\$3,000,000	
f	Sewer Equipment	\$ 78,500	\$ 50,000	\$ 15,000		
	Total Expenses	\$25,128,500	\$30,250,000	\$31,515,000	\$18,000,000	\$ 0

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
WWTP Fund (61000)	\$ 22,500		\$ 7,500	\$ 1,000,000	
Bond Issues	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 15,000,000	\$15,000,000	\$ 7,000,000	
Grants/Contributions	\$23,106,000	\$ 15,250,000	\$16,507,500	\$10,000,000	
Total WWTP	\$25,128,500	\$ 30,250,000	\$31,515,000	\$18,000,000	\$ 0

CASH BALANCE REVIEW – WWTP FUND (61000)					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Beg. Cash Balance 1/1	\$ 12,000,000	\$ 11,431,295	\$ 11,149,168	\$ 9,511,594	\$ 7,223,765
Investment Earnings		\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
User Charges (Note 1)	\$ 6,190,795	\$ 6,877,973	\$ 7,433,026	\$ 8,032,871	\$ 8,356,596
User Charge-Debt Levy					
Add: Bond Issue	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 15,000,000	\$ 15,000,000	\$ 7,000,000	
Add: Grants-State/Fed	\$ 10,500,000				
Add: Grants-Hormel	\$ 12,606,000	\$ 15,250,000	\$ 16,507,500	\$ 10,500,000	
Less: Facility Plan Imp.	(\$25,000,000)	(\$30,000,000)	(\$30,000,000)	(\$15,000,000)	
Less: Coatings	(\$ 50,000)				
Less: Sewer Building		(\$ 200,000)			
Less: Force Main-Hope			(\$1,500,000)		
Less: EQ/Digest. Cover				(\$3,000,000)	
Less: Sewer Equipment	(\$ 78,500)	(\$ 50,000)	(\$ 15,000)		
Less: San. – MSA					
Less: San. Sewer	(\$ 1,775,000)	(\$ 1,850,000)	(\$ 1,850,000)	(\$2,100,000)	(\$2,150,000)
Less: Tile Line Install.	(\$ 10,000)	(\$ 10,000)	(\$ 10,000)	(\$ 10,000)	(\$ 10,000)
Less: Operat. (Note 2)	(\$4,952,000)	(\$ 5,100,100)	(\$ 5,253,100)	(\$5,410,700)	(\$5,573,000)
Less: Debt Service		(\$ 250,000)	(\$ 2,000,000)	(\$2,300,000)	(\$2,625,000)
End. Cash Bal. 12/31	\$ 11,431,295	\$ 11,149,168	\$ 9,511,594	\$ 7,273,765	\$ 5,272,361

Note 1: Estimated increase of 7% per year budgeted.

Note 2: Estimated increase of 3% per year budgeted here.

G. CENTRAL GARAGE:

1. Project Descriptions

a) Water Heater Replacement

Replace water heater for Central Garage Facility, consolidate 2 existing into 1 replacement unit.

The estimated cost for the project is \$12,000 would be paid for via the user charges of the Central Garage Fund and is scheduled for construction in 2023.

b) Fiber to the Building

As part of the MetroNet fiber agreement, we have the ability to connect the Central Garage into the City network. The project would include installation of fiber from the roadway to the building and all necessary building connections.

The estimated cost of the fiber connection is \$7,500 and would be paid for via the user charges of the Central Garage Fund and is scheduled for construction in 2023.

c) Shop Equipment Upgrades

As equipment and parts become older and more difficult to acquire, we are reviewing options for our mechanics to complete more work in-house. We have identified three pieces of equipment that would allow our staff to be more efficient and rely less upon outside vendors. The equipment includes; Air-Conditioner Reclaim/Recharge Unit, Edwards 50 Ton Iron Worker, and Heavy Truck 12/24 Volt Jump Start Pack.

The estimated cost of the new equipment is \$25,000 and would be paid for via the user charges of the Central Garage Fund and is scheduled for construction in 2023.

d) Concrete Wall Panel Joint Repair

The Central Garage facility was constructed in 2003 and the joints in the concrete wall panels are in need of removal and recaulking.

The estimated cost for the recaulking project is \$100,000 would be paid for via the user charges of the Central Garage Fund and is scheduled for construction in 2024.

e) Garage Door and Opener Replacement:

The Central Garage facility was constructed in 2003 and the doors and opener are in need of replacement. This project will replace 7 maintenance bay doors at \$15,000 per door.

The estimated cost for the replacement of seven doors and openers is \$105,000 would be paid for via the user charges of the Central Garage Fund and is scheduled for construction in 2025.

f) Central Garage Roof Replacement:

The Central Garage facility was constructed in 2003 and the roofing material used is showing signs of shrinkage, cracking and tearing. It was patched in 2020 to repair leaks and it was recommended to have the roof replaced in about 5-years.

The estimated cost of \$500,000 would be paid for via the user charges of the Central Garage Fund and is scheduled for construction in 2026.

g) Rooftop Unit

The existing rooftop HVAC units were installed new in 2003. The HVAC units have a 15-year design life and are in need of replacement. This project will involve replacement of 2 units located on the sign shop and sewer department that are 24-years old.

The estimated cost of \$40,000 would be paid for via the user charges of the Central Garage Fund and is scheduled for construction in 2027.

h) Equipment Purchases – Streets:

The Equipment Replacement Schedule as listed below identifies each piece of equipment and when it is scheduled for replacement. The equipment may be listed below to be replaced, but the actual condition of each piece of equipment will be evaluated on an annual basis to determine if additional use of the equipment is still cost beneficial. If the equipment is still determined to be in good running shape, the equipment will not be replaced, but may be moved back on the equipment schedule.

The other purpose of the schedule is to determine what internal user charges will be needed to sustain the fleet to have the required equipment being replaced. Sufficient funds need to be maintained to cash flow both the operations of the Central Garage and to cover the costs of the new equipment being purchased.

The following are the scheduled equipment purchases for the Street/Highway Department for the next five years:

EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT SCHEDULE – STREETS						
#	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
68	2007 International Plow Truck	\$ 225,000				
	2005 Asphalt Paver	\$ 240,000				
40	2014 F150 4 X 4 Truck	\$ 32,000				
71	2006 Sterling Plow Truck		\$ 225,000			
136	1997 Leaf Picker		\$ 100,000			
137	1997 Leaf Picker		\$ 100,000			
15	½ Ton Pickup Truck		\$ 35,000			
49	½ Ton Box Van		\$ 35,000			
81	2016 Pelican Sweeper			\$ 220,000		
	½ Ton Pickup Truck			\$ 35,000		
53	938 Loader (no trade)			\$ 250,000		
77	2006 Sterling Tandem				\$ 175,000	
60	2007 International Plow Truck				\$ 205,000	
	Skid Loader				\$ 60,000	
	Cold Plane/Miller				\$ 25,000	
	2004 Ice Resurfacer, Packer Arena				\$ 180,000	
	2018 Jetter/Vac Truck					\$ 500,000
66	2006 Sterling Plow Truck					\$ 225,000
	Equipment Trailer (12,000 LB)					\$ 15,000
	½ Ton Pickup Truck					\$ 40,000
	Total Expenses	\$ 497,000	\$ 495,000	\$ 505,000	\$ 645,000	\$ 780,000

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – CENTRAL GARAGE						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Water heater replacement	\$ 12,000				
b	Fiber to building	\$ 7,500				
c	Shop equipment	\$ 25,000				
d	Concrete wall repair		\$ 100,000			
e	Garage doors/opener			\$ 105,000		
f	Roof replacement				\$ 500,000	
g	Rooftop unit					\$ 40,000
h	Central garage eq.	\$ 497,000	\$ 495,000	\$ 505,000	\$ 645,000	\$ 780,000
	Total Expenses	\$ 541,500	\$ 595,000	\$ 610,000	\$1,145,000	\$ 820,000

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – CENTRAL GARAGE					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Central Gar. Fd. (71000)	\$ 541,500	\$ 595,000	\$ 610,000	\$ 1,145,000	\$ 820,000
Total Central Gar.	\$ 541,500	\$ 595,000	\$ 610,000	\$ 1,145,000	\$ 820,000

CASH BALANCE REVIEW – CENTRAL GARAGE FUND (71000)					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Beg. Cash Balance 1/1	\$ 3,700,000	\$ 3,681,817	\$ 3,437,317	\$ 3,328,617	\$ 2,466,217
Investment Earnings	\$ 2,919	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
User Charges (Note 1)	\$ 1,707,000	\$ 1,758,200	\$ 1,811,000	\$ 1,865,300	\$ 1,921,200
Add: Contributions					
Less: water heater	(\$ 12,000)				
Less: fiber	(\$ 7,500)				
Less: shop equipment	(\$ 25,000)				
Less: Concrete wall		(\$ 100,000)			
Less: Garage doors			(\$ 105,000)		
Less: Roof replace.				(\$ 500,000)	
Less: rooftop unit					(\$ 40,000)
Less: Equip. – Streets	(\$ 497,000)	(\$ 495,000)	(\$ 505,000)	(\$ 645,000)	(\$ 780,000)
Less: Equip. – Parks	(\$ 150,000)	(\$ 350,000)	(\$ 220,000)	(\$ 460,000)	(\$ 90,000)
Less: Debt Service					
Less: Operat. (Note 1)	(\$1,036,602)	(\$1,067,700)	(\$1,099,700)	(\$1,132,700)	(\$1,166,700)
End. Cash Bal. 12/31	\$ 3,681,817	\$ 3,437,317	\$ 3,328,617	\$ 2,466,217	\$ 2,840,717

Note 1: Estimated increase of 3% per year (User Charges) and 3% per year (Operations) included.

H. WASTE TRANSFER STATION

1. Project Descriptions

a) Compactor Slides, Cylinder, Power Unit:

The compactor is 10 years old and will require some extensive maintenance which will include replacement of wear parts like slides, cylinders, and the power unit. The estimated cost of \$25,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin's Waste Transfer Station Fund fund balance.

The project is scheduled for construction in 2023.

b) Compactor Maintenance:

The compactor will be in need of maintenance on a bi-yearly rotation at an estimated annual cost of \$2,500 and would be paid for via the City of Austin's Waste Transfer Station Fund fund balance.

The project is scheduled for construction in 2025 and 2027.

c) Building Siding Replacement:

The transfer station was originally constructed in 1980. Over the years sections of siding have been replaced due to wind or other damage. This project will identify areas in need of replacement to maintain the integrity of the building. The estimated cost of \$50,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin's Waste Transfer Station Fund.

The project is scheduled for construction in 2026.

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – WASTE TRANSFER STATION						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Compactor slides, cylinder, power unit	\$ 25,000				
b	Compactor maintenance			\$ 2,500		\$ 2,500
c	Building siding				\$ 50,000	
	Total Expenses	\$ 25,000	\$ 0	\$ 2,500	\$ 50,000	\$ 2,500

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – WASTE TRANSFER STATION					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Waste Tran. Fund (62000)	\$ 25,000		\$ 2,500	\$ 50,000	\$ 2,500
Total Waste Transfer	\$ 25,000	\$ 0	\$ 2,500	\$ 50,000	\$ 2,500

CASH BALANCE REVIEW – WASTE TRANSFER STATION FUND (62000)					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Beg. Cash Balance 1/1	\$ 475,000	\$ 503,484	\$ 521,868	\$ 536,652	\$ 502,836
Investment Earnings		\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
Lease Income	\$ 53,484	\$ 53,484	\$ 53,484	\$ 53,484	\$ 53,484
Less: Compactor slides	(\$ 25,000)				
Less: Compactor maint.			(\$ 2,500)		(\$ 2,500)
Less: Building siding				(\$ 50,000)	
Less: Operations (Note 1)	(\$ 35,066)	(\$ 36,100)	(\$ 37,200)	(\$ 38,300)	(\$ 41,100)
End. Cash Balance 12/31	\$ 503,484	\$ 521,868	\$ 536,652	\$ 502,836	\$ 513,720

Note 1: Estimated increase of 3% included. Includes city's \$10,000 per year management fee.

I. AIRPORT

1. Project Descriptions

a) **Fuel Tank Upgrades:**

The airport is proposing to upgrade and rehabilitate the existing fuel system and storage tanks, which were originally constructed in the 1980's.

The estimated cost of the project is \$600,000 and would be paid for as follows:

- City of Austin's Airport Construction Fund (\$180,000 Jan. 1st, 2023)
- MnDOT State grant (\$420,000 July 1st, 2023).

The project is scheduled for construction in Fall 2023.

b) **Hangar Lighting Upgrades (LED):**

We would like to upgrade the lighting to a more efficient LED style lighting in the former Hormel Hangar and middle bay of Large Hangar.

The estimated cost of the project is \$10,000 and would be paid for as follows:

- City of Austin's tax levy (\$3,000 Jan. 1st, 2023)
- MnDOT State grant (\$7,000 July 1st, 2023).

The project is scheduled for construction in Fall 2023.

c) **Airfield Pavement Crack Seal:**

To extend the life of the pavement the existing cracks need maintenance. The existing asphalt pavement will be nearly 20 years old and the project will involve asphalt crack sealing.

The estimated cost of the project is \$75,000 and would be paid for as follows:

- City of Austin's tax levy (\$7,500 Jan. 1st, 2023)
- MnDOT FAA BIL grant (\$67,500 Aug. 1st, 2023)

The project is scheduled for construction in Fall 2023.

d) **Multi-Unit T-Hangar Design:**

The existing T-hangars were constructed in the 1940's and are in need of replacement. The proposed project would involve construction of a new 10-unit T-hangar building that would be owned by the city and individual spaces leased to aircraft owners. We currently have a list of 7 parties interested in possibly renting space in the T-hangar. We would estimate rental rates at about \$175 per month per unit.

The estimated cost of the design is \$100,000 and would be paid for as follows:

- City of Austin's tax levy (\$10,000 Jan. 1st, 2023)
- MnDOT FAA BIL grant (\$90,000 Aug. 1st, 2022)

The project design is scheduled for 2023.

e) **Multi-Unit T-Hangar Construction:**

The proposed project would involve construction of a new 10-unit T-hangar building that would be owned by the city and individual spaces leased to aircraft owners.

The estimated cost of the project is \$1,110,000 and would be paid for as follows:

- City of Austin's tax levy (\$55,500 Jan. 1st, 2023)
- MnDOT State grant (\$55,500 July 1st, 2023)
- MnDOT FAA grant (\$999,000 Aug. 1st, 2023)

The project is scheduled for construction in 2023.

f) **T-Hangar Removal and Site Grading:**

The existing T-hangars were constructed in the 1940's and are in need of replacement. The proposed project would involve construction of a new T-hangar building that would be owned by the city and individual spaces leased to aircraft owners.

The estimated cost of the project is \$100,000 and would be paid for as follows:

- City of Austin's tax levy (\$10,000 Jan. 1st, 2024)
- MnDOT State grant (\$90,000 July 1st, 2024) BIL.

The project is scheduled for construction in Fall 2024.

g) **Master Plan**

Update the 2009 Master Plan document including the Airport Layout Plan, Airspace Drawing, Existing & Future Runway 17 Approach, Existing and Future Runway 35 Approach, Existing & Future Building Area, Land Use Zoning and Airport Property Map.

The estimated cost of the project is \$350,000 and would be paid for as follows:

- City of Austin's tax levy (\$35,000 Jan. 1st, 2026)
- MnDOT FAA grant (\$315,000 Aug. 1st, 2026) BIL

The project is scheduled to begin in Fall 2026.

h) **Runway Rehabilitation, Joint Repair**

At this time, we anticipate the runway will be in need of a joint repair project. Existing concrete pavement will be nearly 20 years old and the project will involve concrete joint repairs and joint sealing.

The estimated cost of the project is \$150,000 and would be paid for as follows:

- City of Austin's tax levy (\$15,000 Jan. 1st, 2026)
- MnDOT FAA grant (\$135,000 Aug. 1st, 2026) BIL

The project is scheduled for construction in Fall 2026.

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Fuel Tank Upgrades	\$ 600,000				
b	Hangar Lighting Up.	\$ 10,000				
c	Airfield Pavement	\$ 75,000				
d	Hangar Design	\$ 100,000				
e	Multi-Unit Hangar	\$1,100,000				
f	T-Hangar Removal		\$ 100,000			
g	Master Plan				\$ 350,000	
h	Runway Rehab.				\$ 150,000	
	Total Expenses	\$1,885,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 0	\$ 500,000	\$ 0

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – AIRPORT					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Tax Levy	\$ 20,500	\$ 10,000		\$ 50,000	
Grants	\$1,684,500	\$ 90,000		\$ 450,000	
Fund Balance	\$ 180,000				
Total Airport	\$1,885,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 0	\$ 500,000	\$ 0

CASH BALANCE REVIEW – AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION FUND (44000)					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Beg. Cash Balance 1/1	\$ 350,000	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000
State/Federal Grants	\$1,684,500	\$ 90,000		\$ 450,000	
Tax Levy	\$ 20,500	\$ 10,000		\$ 50,000	
Less: Fuel Tank Upgrade	(\$ 600,000)				
Less: Hangar Lighting	(\$ 10,000)				
Less: Airfield Pavement	(\$ 75,000)				
Less: Hangar Design	(\$ 100,000)				
Less: Multi-Unit Hangar.	(\$1,100,000)				
Less: T-Hangar Removal		(\$ 100,000)			
Less: Mater Plan				(\$ 350,000)	
Less: Runway Rehab.				(\$ 150,000)	
End. Cash Bal. 12/31	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000	\$ 170,000

Note 1:

See Section II for a review of the Tax Levy and Grants.

J. STREET IMPROVEMENTS – LOCAL STREET IMPROVEMENTS

1. Project Descriptions

Reconstruction Projects

a) **10th Avenue SW (2nd Dr to 4th St SW), 11th Avenue SW (2nd Drive to 4th St SW) and 2nd Street SW (10th Ave to 12th Ave SW):**

These asphalt streets were likely constructed in the 1950's. 11th Ave SW and 2nd St SW are both currently 36 feet wide, while 10th Ave SW is 22' wide. Curb and gutter will be added to 10th Ave SW and it will be widened as much as possible. The existing asphalt pavement will be removed replaced with new asphalt pavement and curb & gutter. Deficient sidewalk panels will be replaced and handicap ramps will be installed at the intersections. Sanitary and storm sewers will be inspected to determine any necessary repairs. The water and gas mains will be upgraded as needed by Austin Utilities.

The estimated street reconstruction cost of the project is \$900,000 and would be paid via an improvement bond issue. The project is scheduled for construction in 2023.

b) **5th Avenue NW (20th St to 22nd St NW), 6th Avenue NW (22nd St NW to Dead End) and 20th Street NW (4th Ave to Dead End):**

5th Ave NW was originally constructed in the 1960's. 6th Ave NW and 20th St NW were constructed in the 1980's. The existing pavement will be removed and replaced with new asphalt pavement and curb & gutter will be replaced where necessary. Deficient sidewalk panels will be replaced and handicap ramps will be installed at the intersections. Sanitary and storm sewers will be inspected to determine any necessary repairs. The water and gas mains will be upgraded as needed by Austin Utilities.

The estimated street reconstruction cost of the project is \$500,000 and would be paid via an improvement bond issue. The project is scheduled for construction in 2023.

c) **7th Ave NE (19th Dr to 19th St NE) and 19th Drive NE (6th Ave to 7th Ave NE):**

7th Avenue NE and 19th Drive NE are asphalt street that were originally constructed in the 1960's. Both streets are 34' wide and only have curb & gutter on one side of the street. The existing pavement will be removed and replaced with new asphalt pavement and curb & gutter. Deficient sidewalk panels will be replaced and handicap ramps will be installed at the intersections. Sanitary and storm sewers will be inspected to determine any necessary repairs. The water and gas mains will be upgraded as needed by Austin Utilities.

The estimated street reconstruction cost of the project is \$250,000 and would be paid via an improvement bond issue. The project is scheduled for construction in 2023.

2024:

PROJECT SCHEDULE – LOCAL STREET IMPROVEMENTS		
	Reconstruction	2024
	2 nd Avenue NW (14 th St to 19 th St NW), 16 th St NW (Service Rd to 2 nd Ave NW) and 17 th St NW (Service Rd to 2 nd Ave NW)	\$ 1,400,000
	4 th Avenue NE (17 th St to 19 th St NE)	\$ 525,000
	1 st Avenue NE (8 th St to 10 th St NE)	\$ 350,000
	9 th Street SW (17 th Ave to 22 nd Ave SW)	\$ 850,000
	Resurfacing	
	12 th Street SW Service Rd (17 th Ave to 21 st Ave SW) Full Depth Reclamation	\$ 175,000
	Total Expenses	\$ 3,300,000

2025:

PROJECT SCHEDULE – LOCAL STREET IMPROVEMENTS		
	Reconstruction	2025
	8 th Street SE (8 th Ave to 15 th Ave SE)	\$900,000
	11 th Avenue NW (11 th St to 14 th St NW) and 13 th Street NW (8 th Ave to 11 th Ave NW)	\$910,000
	18 th Drive NE (5 th Ave to 6 th Ave NE) and 6 th Avenue NE (18 th Dr to 19 th St NE)	\$400,000
	21 st Avenue SW (4 th Dr to 12 th St SW)	\$675,000
	Resurfacing	
	25 th Street SW (Oakland Ave W to 8 th Ave SW)	\$ 140,000
	6 th Street NE (30 th Ave to 36 th Ave NE)	\$ 150,000
	Total Expenses	\$3,175,000

2026:

PROJECT SCHEDULE – LOCAL STREET IMPROVEMENTS		
	Reconstruction	2026
	6 th Avenue SE (18 th St to Dead End East of 20 th St SE)	\$750,000
	1 st Avenue NE (19 th St to 21 st St NE) and 3 rd Avenue NE (19 th St to 21 st St NE)	\$1,000,000
	9 th Avenue NW (11 th St to 14 th St NW) and 11 th Street NW (8 th Ave to 13 th Ave NW)	\$1,125,000
	Resurfacing	
	8 th Avenue SW (24 th St to 27 th St SW) and 26 th Street SW (5 th Ave to 8 th Ave SW)	\$ 180,000
	Total Expenses	\$3,055,000

2027:

PROJECT SCHEDULE – LOCAL STREET IMPROVEMENTS	
Reconstruction	2027
2 nd Street NW (3 rd Ave to 7 th PI NW)	\$600,000
9 th Avenue SE (8 th St to east Dead End), 10 th Avenue SE (8 th St to east Dead End), 12 th Avenue SE (7 th St to east Dead End), 13 th Avenue SE (8 th St to east Dead End), 14 th Avenue SE (8 th St to west Dead End) and 7 th Street SE (11 th Ave to 13 th Ave SE)	\$1,000,000
2 nd Drive SW (9 th Place to 12 th Ave SW)	\$650,000
12 th Street NW (Oakland Ave to 4 th Ave NW), 2 nd Avenue NW (11 th St to 12 th St NW) and 3 rd Avenue NW (11 th St to 12 th St NW)	\$775,000
Total Expenses	\$3,025,000

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – STREET CONSTRUCTION					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Bond Issue	\$1,360,000	\$2,475,000	\$2,385,000	\$2,295,000	\$2,275,000
Assessments	\$ 450,000	\$ 825,000	\$ 790,000	\$ 760,000	\$ 750,000
Total Street Constr.	\$1,810,000	\$3,300,000	\$3,175,000	\$3,055,000	\$3,025,000

CASH BALANCE REVIEW – STREET CONSTRUCTION FUND (41000)					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Beg. Cash Balance 1/1	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Add: Bond Issue	\$1,360,000	\$2,475,000	\$2,385,000	\$2,295,000	\$2,275,000
Assessments	\$ 450,000	\$ 825,000	\$ 790,000	\$ 760,000	\$ 750,000
Less: Street Projects	(\$1,810,000)	(\$3,300,000)	(\$3,175,000)	(\$3,055,000)	(\$3,025,000)
End. Cash Bal. 12/31	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Note 1: The General Fund has an allocation annually for the maintenance and repair of the roads and is not included here.

Note 2: Assessments are estimated at 25% of the total project cost.

Note 3: In lieu of issuing debt, the City may use the Capital Improvement Revolving Fund (49000) to finance local street improvement projects.

K. STREET IMPROVEMENTS – STATE AID STREET (MSA)

1. Project Descriptions

a) 8th Street NE (16th Ave to 18th Ave NE):

8th Street NE is being reconstructed as part of the Institute Lift Station project. The road was last reconstructed in 1978. The concrete pavement will be removed and replaced with new concrete pavement. New sanitary sewer mains will be constructed under the road, and storm sewer will be replaced as necessary. Deficient sidewalk panels will be replaced and ADA compliant pedestrian ramps will be installed at the intersections. The water and gas mains will be upgraded as needed by Austin Utilities.

The estimated cost of the project is \$1,200,000. The project would be funded via the State of Minnesota state aid system. The project is scheduled for 2023 construction.

b) 1st Street NW (Oakland Ave W to 1st Drive NW):

1st Street NW was last reconstructed in 1976. The concrete pavement has deteriorated and will be replaced with new concrete. The street lighting will be replaced during the project. Traffic control improvements will be reviewed and implemented at the 1st Street NW intersections with 4th Ave NW and 1st Drive NW. The existing storm sewer is in poor condition and will be replaced. Repairs will also be made to the sanitary sewer system. Pedestrian ramps will also be replaced on the project to meet ADA regulations. The water and gas mains will be upgraded as needed by Austin Utilities.

The estimated cost of the project is \$1,400,000. The project would be funded via the State of Minnesota state aid system. The project is scheduled for 2023 construction.

c) 7th Avenue NE (19th St to 21st St NE):

7th Avenue NE was last reconstructed in the 1960's. The existing pavement will be removed and replaced with new asphalt pavement and curb & gutter. Deficient sidewalk panels will be replaced and handicap ramps will be installed at the intersections. Sanitary and storm sewers will be inspected to determine any necessary repairs. The water and gas mains will be upgraded as needed by Austin Utilities.

The estimated cost of the project is \$650,000. The project would be funded via the State of Minnesota state aid system. The project is scheduled for 2023 construction.

d) Hormel Drive (4th St to 8th St NE) Mill & Overlay:

Hormel Drive was last reconstructed in 2001. The street has a high volume of heavy commercial truck traffic. The existing asphalt pavement is showing signs of wear. A mill and overlay project is planned to resurface the top layer of asphalt pavement. This will extend the life of the street and minimize disruption to a heavy commercial traffic street.

The estimated cost of the project is \$250,000. The project would be funded via the State of Minnesota state aid system. The project is scheduled for 2023 construction.

2. Project Schedule

2023:

PROJECT SCHEDULE – STREET CONSTRUCTION (MSA)		
	Description	2023
	8 th Street NE (16 th Ave to 18 th Ave NE)	\$1,200,000
	1 st Street NW (Oakland Ave W to 1 st Drive NW)	\$1,400,000
	7 th Avenue NE (19 th St to 21 st St NE)	\$650,000
	Hormel Drive (4 th St to 8 th St NE) Mill & Overlay	\$250,000
	Total Expenses	\$3,500,000

We have also listed the projects beyond the 2023 construction season as they are tentative at this point in time.

2024:

PROJECT SCHEDULE – STREET CONSTRUCTION (MSA)		
	Description	2024
	4 th Street NW (13 th Ave NW to I-90)	\$300,000
	N Main Street Signal Lights at 2 nd Ave and 4 th Ave	\$700,000
	19 th Street SW (Oakland Ave W to 8 th Ave SW) Mill & Overlay	\$210,000
	4 th Street SW (9 th Ave SW to Turtle Creek Bridge) Mill & Overlay & Ped Ramp Improvements	\$240,000
	Total Expenses	\$1,450,000

2025:

PROJECT SCHEDULE – STREET CONSTRUCTION (MSA)		
	Description	2025
	Oakland Ave W (1 st St NE/SE to 12 th St NW/SW)	\$ 3,600,000
	4 th Street SE (8 th Ave SE to 650' South)	\$100,000
	Total Expenses	\$ 3,700,000

2026:

PROJECT SCHEDULE – STREET CONSTRUCTION (MSA)		
	Street Reconstruction	2026
	14 th Street NW (8 th Ave NW to I-90)	\$325,000
	8 th Avenue SE (4 th St to 10 th Dr SE)	\$1,700,000
	10 th Drive SE (Oakland Pl to 8 th Ave SE) Intersection, Signal Light & Street Lighting Improvements	\$1,300,000
	Total Expenses	\$3,325,000

2027:

PROJECT SCHEDULE – STREET CONSTRUCTION (MSA)		
	Street Reconstruction	2027
	8 th Street NE (10 th Ave to 14 th Ave NE)	\$1,150,000
	1 st Avenue SW (Main St to 12 th St SW)	\$3,600,000
	Total Expenses	\$4,750,000

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – MSA STREET CONSTRUCTION					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Grants	\$3,500,000	\$1,450,000	\$3,700,000	\$3,325,000	\$4,750,000
Total MSA Streets	\$3,500,000	\$1,450,000	\$3,700,000	\$3,325,000	\$4,750,000

CASH BALANCE – MSA STREET CONSTRUCTION FUND (42000)					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Beg. Cash Bal. 1/1	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 1,575,000	\$ 1,550,000	\$ 1,525,000	\$ 1,500,000
Add: Interest					
Add: Grants	\$ 5,400,000	\$1,450,000	\$5,000,000	\$3,625,000	\$ 6,200,000
Less: Street Projects	(\$3,500,000)	(\$1,450,000)	(\$3,700,000)	(\$3,325,000)	(\$4,750,000)
Add: Misc. Grants					
Less: Misc. Projects	(\$ 700,000)		(\$1,300,000)	(\$ 300,000)	(\$ 300,000)
Less: San. Sewer	(\$1,200,000)				(\$1,150,000)
Less: Project Mgmt.	(\$ 25,000)	(\$ 25,000)	(\$ 25,000)	(\$ 25,000)	(\$ 25,000)
End. Cash Bl. 12/31	\$ 1,575,000	\$ 1,550,000	\$ 1,525,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,475,000

Note 1: The General Fund has an allocation annually for the maintenance and repair of the roads and is not included here.

Note 2: Not included above are assessments that may be levied upon affected property owners. At this time the amounts have not been calculated.

Note 3: See section labeled Miscellaneous Street for a review of the signal lights being requested.

See Section II for a review of the Capital Improvement Fund and Grants.

L. TRAILS

1. Project Descriptions

a) East Side Lake to Hwy 218:

I-90 creates a barrier for pedestrians as it cuts through the north side of Austin. As bridges are improved along the corridor, we are planning to add sidewalks and trails across the bridges to connect areas that were previously cut off. One such area is east of East Side Lake there are no areas for designated pedestrian crossing. There are plans to reconstruct the Hwy 218 bridge and with that add a 10-foot-wide sidewalk. With this project we would propose a pedestrian trail connection from East Side Lake to the Hwy 218 bridge.

The estimated cost of the project is \$185,000 and would be paid for via the City of Austin's tax levy through the Capital Improvement Revolving Fund (\$50,000), a local grant (\$120,000) and In-kind Engineering Services (\$15,000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2023.

b) Ellis Ditch Trail:

A ten-foot-wide asphalt trail is proposed to be constructed along Ellis Ditch beginning at 10th Drive SE and continuing across flood property to 4th Avenue SE then south and east around the Johnson Pit toward Ellis & IJ Schools. The trail will also serve as an access point to these areas for ditch maintenance.

The estimated cost of the project is \$325,000 and would be paid for via the City of Austin's tax levy through the Capital Improvement Revolving Fund (\$100,000), a local grant (\$100,000), DNR grant (\$100,000) and In-kind Engineering Services (\$25,000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2025 to be completed with other Ellis Ditch drainage improvements.

c) Oakland Avenue West @ I-90:

I-90 creates a barrier for pedestrians as it cuts through the north side of Austin. As bridges are improved along the corridor, we are planning to add sidewalks and trails across the bridges to connect areas that were previously cut off. One bridge planned for improvement is the Oakland Avenue West at I-90. The plan for this bridge is to create wider shoulders for pedestrians. With this bridge project we would propose to constructed connects east from the bridge to the service road and west from the bridge to the City Limits.

The estimated cost of the project is \$200,000 and would be paid for via the City of Austin's tax levy through the Capital Improvement Revolving Fund (\$85,000), a local grant (\$100,000) and In-kind Engineering Services (\$15,000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2026.

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – TRAILS						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	ESL to Hwy 218	\$ 185,000				
b	Ellis Ditch Trail			\$ 325,000		
c	Oakland Avenue West to Hwy 218				\$ 200,000	
	Total Expenses	\$ 185,000	\$ 0	\$ 325,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 0

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – TRAILS					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Grants	\$ 120,000		\$ 200,000	\$ 100,000	
In-Kind Engineering	15,000		\$ 25,000	15,000	
Building Fund (48000)					
Capital Impr. (49000)	\$ 50,000		\$ 100,000	\$ 85,000	
Total Trails	\$ 185,000	\$ 0	\$ 325,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 0

Note 1:

See Section II for a review of the Grants, Building Fund, and Capital Improvement Fund (49000).

M. SANITARY SEWER

1. Project Descriptions

a) Manhole Replacement Program:

The City of Austin is experiencing a significant number of manholes that are allowing excessive amounts of infiltration to occur. This, in turn, is increasing flows at the Wastewater Treatment Plant to the point that is exceeding our capacity. By rebuilding these manholes, it will save capital costs at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

The estimated cost of the project is \$25,000 annually and would be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund. The project is scheduled annually 2023-2027.

b) Sanitary Sewer Projects:

Miscellaneous Sanitary Sewer projects will be completed as needed where the regular reconstruction of streets is occurring.

The estimated cost of the project is \$200,000 for 2023 and \$250,000 annually thereafter. The costs would be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund. The project is scheduled annually 2023-2027.

c) Sanitary Sewer I & I Implementation:

The City of Austin has experienced significant sanitary sewer flow increases during rain events in this area. The city is proposing to conduct the following:

- a. CCTV inspection of all City mains
- b. Manhole inspections
- c. Inspection of all private lines and plumbing for illegal connections
- d. Sump pump and beaver system discharge inspection
- e. Development of a plan to reduce I & I

The City will be divided into 6 sectors with inspections spread out over 6 years, total estimated cost \$2,250,000. The project will be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund and costs will be spread out based on the following implementation schedule.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Sector</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
2018	Southeast	\$350,000
2019	South Central	\$400,000
2020	SW Turtle Creek	\$350,000
2021	Northeast	\$400,000
2022	North Central	\$400,000
2023	Northwest	\$350,000

d) Institute Lift Station Construction

The City of Austin has three sanitary sewer lift stations at the following locations:

- Weyerhaeuser Lift Station, 1815 9th Street NE
- Hartson-Schleustner Lift Station, 400 16th Avenue NE
- Crane Lift Station, 1209 8th Street NE

We have developed a 3-phase project to consolidate these three lift stations into one large lift station centrally located near 16th Avenue & 8th Street NE. Phase 1 of the project would be to constructed the new lift station, construct new gravity sewer main and eliminate Weyerhaeuser Lift Station. This project would also include the reconstruction of 8th Street NE from 16th Avenue to 18th Avenue.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$2,400,000 and would be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund (\$1,200,000) and via the State of Minnesota state aid system (\$1,200,000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2023.

e) Sanitary Sewer I&I Improvements

We anticipate that the I&I inspection program will identify repairs in the public system that will require attention, these repairs include; manhole replacement and sanitary sewer spot repairs.

The estimated cost of the project is \$250,000 annually, with the costs would be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund. The project is scheduled annually 2024-2027.

f) Cedar River Siphons:

The existing siphons under the Cedar River in Driesner Park were originally construction in 1921 and are in need of replacement. The proposed project would include removal of the existing siphon and construction of new control structures, siphon pipes and gravity main. Construction of the siphons will involve likely involve diverting the river around the work area in order to excavate below the channel bottom to install the piping. Work will also include replacement of gravity sewer main upstream and downstream of the river crossing to replace trunk sewer that was constructed in the 50's.

The estimated cost of the project is \$1,100,000 and would be paid for via the local option sales tax (\$550,000) and the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund (\$550,000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2024.

g) Dobbins Creek Trunk Sewer Lining:

The Dobbins Creek Trunk sewer was constructed in 1966. The trunk line follows Dobbins Creek from the I-90 box culverts upstream to the County Club. The high groundwater table, adjacent Dobbins Creek and age of the line makes it susceptible to I&I problems. During rain and high-water events, the lift station is maxed out and sometimes over capacity.

Lining for medium diameter sewers (12") is estimated at \$150 per linear foot. With this project we have estimated about 6,500 linear foot of sewer pipe. The estimated cost of the project is \$1,000,000 and would be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund (\$500,000) and via the local option sales tax fund (\$500,000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2024.

h) Eliminate Hartson-Schleustner Lift Station

With the construction of the Institute Lift Station, we have the opportunity to eliminate Hartson-Schleustner lift station. Work will involve construction of 1600 feet of gravity sewer main from 3rd St. NE to 8th St. NE and removal of the existing structure.

The estimated cost of the project is \$275,000 and would be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund. The project is scheduled annually 2024.

i) 8th Avenue SE Main Relocation

The City of Austin has acquired and removed flood homes from the 8th Avenue SE Marcusen Park neighborhood. By removing the homes, we have identified a segment of sanitary sewer that can be rerouted to eliminate 1850 feet of sewer, including; a Cedar River crossing, multiple abandoned service wyes and the potential for groundwater infiltration. This project will involve relaying 600 feet of sanitary sewer on 4th Street SE south from 8th Avenue to connect into the SE trunk sewer. The project will include pavement removal, sewer main replacement, service connections and repaving of the roadway.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$300,000 and would be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund (\$200,000) and the City of Austin's Capital Improvement Revolving Fund (\$100,000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2025.

j) Ellis Ditch Sewer Main Repairs:

The City of Austin has a sanitary sewer main that services the east side of Austin adjacent to Ellis Ditch. Sections of the sewer main were constructed in the 1950's. The high groundwater table, location adjacent to Ellis Ditch and age of the line makes it susceptible to I&I problems. During rain and high-water events, the sewer lines max out capacity and cause sewer backups. The scope of the project would be to repair the concrete manholes and CIPP line the trunk main. The project is 3,500 lf from the RR tracks east along Ellis Ditch to 18th Street SW.

Lining for large diameter sewers (12") is estimated at \$100 per linear foot. With this project we have estimated about 3,500 linear foot of sewer pipe. The estimated cost of the project is \$350,000 and would be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund. The project is scheduled for construction in 2025.

k) NE Wildwood Park Backyard Sewer Lining

Backyard sewer lines in Wildwood Park, 1700/1800 blocks of 2nd and 3rd Street NE, are difficult to access for cleaning and are susceptible to root issues. To address these issues and other pipe defects we have identified this area for a CIPP lining project.

Lining for standard diameter sewers (8"-10") is estimated at \$75 per linear foot. With this project we have estimated about 5,300 linear feet of sewer pipe. The estimated cost of the project is \$400,000 and would be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund. The project is scheduled for construction in 2025.

l) SW Sterling Backyard Sewer Lining

Backyard sewer lines in the Sterling neighborhood, 1300 thru 1700 blocks of 3rd and 4th Avenue SW, are difficult to access for cleaning and are susceptible to root issues. To address these issues and other pipe defects we have identified this area for a CIPP lining project.

Lining for standard diameter sewers (8"-10") is estimated at \$75 per linear foot. With this project we have estimated about 4,900 linear feet of sewer pipe. The estimated cost of the project is \$375,000 and would be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund. The project is scheduled for construction in 2025.

m) Southwest Trunk Sewer Repairs (12th Street SW):

The City of Austin has a sanitary sewer trunk main that services southwest and northwest Austin, this segment is located on 4th Avenue SW from 9th St. to 12th St. and on 12th Street SW from 4th Ave. to 11th Ave. This trunk main is in excess of 50 years old with extensive root intrusion and concrete pipe deterioration. The scope of the project would be to repair the concrete manholes and CIPP line the trunk main.

Lining for large diameter sewers (24"-30") is estimated at \$180 per linear foot. With this project we have estimated about 4,500 linear foot of sewer pipe. The estimated cost of the project is \$825,000 and would be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund. The project is scheduled for construction in 2026.

n) Southeast Collector Trunk Sewer Lining:

The City of Austin has a sanitary sewer trunk sewer that services the east side of Austin from Marcusen Park east toward 10th Drive and north toward I-90. The trunk sewer was constructed in the 1972. The scope of the project would be to repair the concrete manholes and CIPP line the trunk main. Phase I of the project is 5,500 lf from Marcusen Park to 10th Drive.

Lining for large diameter sewers (24"-30") is estimated at \$185 per linear foot. With this project we have estimated about 5,500 linear foot of sewer pipe. The estimated cost of the project is \$1,000,000 and would be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund (\$750,000) and local option sales tax fund (\$250,000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2026.

o) South Main Street Trunk Main:

The City of Austin has a sanitary sewer trunk main on 9th Place and South Main Street leading to the Wastewater treatment plant. The trunk main is nearly 100 years old and is in need of repair. The scope of work would be to reconstruction the 40" sanitary sewer main and manholes.

Lining for large diameter sewers (36"- 40") is estimated at \$500 per linear foot. With this project we have estimated about 3,100 linear foot of sewer pipe. The estimated cost of the project is \$2,000,000 and would be paid for via the local option sales tax (\$1,000,000) and the Wastewater Treatment Plant fund (\$1,000,000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2027.

p) Eliminate Crane Lift Station:

With the construction of the Institute Lift Station, we have the opportunity to eliminate Crane lift station. The lift station located at 1209 8th Street NE that was originally constructed in 1924, then refurbished in 1969 and in 2007. Work will involve construction of 2000 feet of gravity sewer main from 12th Ave. to 16th Ave. NE, removal of the existing structure and roadway reconstruction.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$1,550,000 and would be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund (\$400,000) and via the State of Minnesota state aid system (\$1,150,000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2027.

q) Cook Farm Lift Station Force Main Extension

The Cook Farm lift station currently discharges just upstream of the Oak Park lift station. This project would extend the Cook Farm force main to route around Oak Park lift and discharge directly into the gravity main on 12th Street NW. This will reduce demand on the Oak Park lift, allowing it to better handle its current service area and extend the equipment lifespan.

The estimated cost of the project is \$225,000 and would be paid for via the Wastewater Treatment Plant Fund. The project is scheduled for construction in 2027.

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – SANITARY SEWER						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Manhole Replace.	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
b	San. Sewer Projects	\$ 200,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000
c	San. Sewer I & I	\$ 350,000				
d	Institute lift station	\$2,400,000				
e	San. Sewer Improve.		\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000
f	Cedar River siphons		\$1,100,000			
g	Dobbins Creek lining		\$1,000,000			
h	Eliminate Hartson-Schleuster lift		\$ 275,000			
i	8 th Ave Main Relocation			\$ 300,000		
j	Ellis Ditch repairs			\$ 350,000		
k	NE Wildwood lining			\$ 400,000		
l	SW Sterling lining			\$ 375,000		
m	SW Trunk repairs				\$ 825,000	
n	SE Collector lining				\$1,000,000	
o	S. Main Trunk Main					\$2,000,000
p	Eliminate Crane lift station					\$1,550,000
q	Cook Farm lift station					\$ 225,000
	Total Expenses	\$2,975,000	\$2,900,000	\$1,950,000	\$2,350,000	\$4,300,000

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – SANITARY SEWER					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Local Sales Tax		\$1,050,000		\$ 250,000	\$1,000,000
MSAS Fund (42000)	\$1,200,000				\$1,150,000
Capital Impr. (49000)			\$ 100,000		
WWTP Fund (61000)	\$1,775,000	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000	\$2,100,000	\$2,150,000
Total Sanitary Sewer	\$2,975,000	\$2,900,000	\$1,950,000	\$2,350,000	\$4,300,000

Note 1:

See Section I for a review of the WWTP Fund (61000).

N. MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS

1. Project Descriptions

a) Hazardous Building Removal

Cleaning up neighborhoods and removal of hazardous structures has been identified as a Council goal. In order to achieve this, I would estimate removal of approximately 4 structures per year until the issue has subsided. The estimated costs for each structure are \$25,000, for a total project cost of \$100,000 and would be paid for via the City of Austin's Capital Improvement Revolving Fund. The repair project is planned for 2023 through 2027.

b) I-90 Bridge Replacement (4th Street NW, Cedar River, 6th Street NE, 14th Street NW, Oakland Avenue West & 21st Street NE):

MnDOT is planning to reconstruct bridges along the I-90 corridor. The Visual Quality Advisory Committee, made up of MnDOT, Vision 2020, County, and City representatives have worked together on a uniform design for bridge replacements throughout the I-90 corridor. This manual includes, among other things, landscaping plans for each of the 10 bridge crossings through the corridor. The goal of VQAC for the corridor includes:

- Highlights Austin as a community and creates a sense of place unique to Austin.
- Incorporates unique colors, stone, and branding elements as integrated pieces of a well-planned whole.
- Suggests a welcoming, vibrant, and proud community.

As part of the bridge replacements, the City of Austin will be responsible for upgrades to the sidewalk, lighting, landscaping, and design features. For establishing a budget, the City related costs for the 11th Drive bridge constructed in 2017 were \$135,000 for the secondary structure design.

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| • 4 th Street NW | Primary Structure Design | 2024 |
| • Cedar River | Tertiary Structure Design | 2024/25 |
| • 6 th Street NE | Secondary Structure Design | 2024/25 |
| • 14 th Street NW | Primary Structure Design | 2026 |
| • Oakland Ave. West | Secondary Structure Design | 2025 |
| • 21 st Street NE | Secondary Structure Design | 2026 |

These improvements have been identified as part of the former Vision2020 Gateway to Austin Committee. The estimated cost of the project is \$700,000 and would be paid for via a local grant in 2023.

c) **Welcome to Austin Signage:**

The Visual Quality Advisory Committee (VQAC), made up of MnDOT, Vision 2020, County, and City representatives have worked together to create a Visual Quality Manual for the I-90 corridor. This manual includes, among other things, landscaping plans for each of the 10 bridge crossings through the corridor. The goal of VQAC for the corridor includes:

- Highlights Austin as a community and creates a sense of place unique to Austin.
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- Suggests a welcoming, vibrant, and proud community.

The Visual Quality Manual identified the need for new community welcome signage on I-90. Originally the plan called for 2 signs on each side of the community, but permitting for the proposed locations became difficult and stalled. A new plan for community signage has been identified within the primary corridor between 4th Street & 14th Street. The sign is planned for the north side of I-90 at 8th Street NW and will utilize the proposed features of the VQM.

The estimated cost of the project is \$160,000 and would be paid for via a local grant in 2023.

d) **Oakland Avenue West – Design Services:**

The City has received a \$2 million federal grant for the reconstruction of Oakland Avenue West from 1st Street East to 12th Street West. The project is planned for construction in 2025. This project has a large impact on businesses and commuters along the corridor. It would be our goal to bring a consultant on early in the project to assist the City with planning, outreach, communication, federal documentation and design.

We estimate these services to be approximately \$350,000 and would be paid via the State of Minnesota through the state aid street system in 2024.

e) **Downtown Signal Light (North Main Street at 2nd Avenue & 4th Avenue):**

The signal light at 2nd Avenue and 4th Avenue are outdated and need to be upgraded. A study will be completed to evaluate the function of the existing signal lights and determine the recommended level of control for the intersections. Data from the report will then be used to develop a project that will include some combination of signal lights, stop signs, wiring, control panel and ADA improvements.

The estimated cost of the project is \$700,000 and would be paid for via the State of Minnesota through the state aid street system. The project is scheduled for construction in 2024.

f) Alley Repairs:

The City of Austin has an extensive network of alleys that provide access and services to residential and commercial property. These alleys have historically been only maintained and they are now reaching the point that many of the alleys will have to be reconstructed. Maintenance activities are ongoing trying to preserve the existing alleys before they end up with total reconstruction. This is placing budget pressures on existing maintenance budgets.

• 2024	Sterling Alley (12 th St. to 14 th St.)	\$200,000
• 2025	Baudler Alley (Oakland Ave. to 1 st Ave.)	\$100,000
• 2026	Steve's Alley (3 rd Ave. to 4 th Ave.)	\$100,000

The Sterling alley is in need of repair and the estimated cost is \$200,000 to reconstruct a commercial alley. The project is proposed to be funded via the City of Austin's Capital Improvement Revolving Fund in 2024-2026.

g) 10th Drive SE Intersection Study:

A project is proposed to be developed to study 10th Drive SE intersections at Oakland Place SE and 5th Place SE. At Oakland Place SE, the signal light is in need of replacement and a study is necessary to determine the proper intersection control. At 5th Place SE, concerns have been raised as to the function of the existing 4-way stop control. The proposed study will evaluate both intersections to determine intersection control methods that will meet current and future needs.

The estimated cost of the study is \$100,000 to complete the intersection traffic study. The project is proposed to be funded via the City of Austin's Capital Improvement Revolving Fund in 2024.

h) Oakland Avenue East, Cedar River Bridge #5228:

Mower County Highway Department is planning to reconstruct bridge #5228 over the Cedar River. The bridge is 90 years old and is in need of replacement. The project will involve reconstruction of the bridge structure with improved sidewalks/trails and railings. Costs for pavement approaches and aesthetic improvements fall to the City of Austin.

The estimated costs for these improvements are \$300,000 and would be paid via the State of Minnesota through the state aid street system, with plans for construction in fall 2025.

i) Pedestrian Ramp and Sidewalk Repair Program:

The City of Austin is in the process of developing an ADA Transition Plan. The transition plan will identify noncompliant facilities, mainly related to sidewalk and building access points, throughout the City. A project will be based on priority areas identified in the ADA Transition Plan.

The project will span multiple years with an estimated cost of \$200,000 per year. Project costs will be paid for via the City of Austin's Capital Improvement Revolving Fund (\$100,000) and through assessments to affected property owners (\$100,000) The project is planned for construction beginning in 2025 thru 2027.

j) 10th Drive SE Intersection Improvements

Work will involve implementing improvements developed as part of the intersection study at Oakland Place SE and 5th Place SE. Project details could include signal lights, stop signs, roundabouts and ADA improvements.

The estimated costs for these improvements are \$1,000,000 and would be paid via the State of Minnesota through the state aid street system, with plans for construction in fall 2025.

k) 10th Drive SE, Dobbins Creek Bridge #5229:

Mower County Highway Department is planning to reconstruct bridge #5229 over the Dobbins Creek. The bridge is 90 years old and is in need of replacement. The project will involve reconstruction of the bridge structure with improved sidewalks/trails and railings. Costs for pavement approaches and aesthetic improvements fall to the City of Austin.

The estimated costs for these improvements are \$300,000 and would be paid via the State of Minnesota through the state aid street system, with plans for construction in fall 2026.

l) Downtown Sidewalk Project

A project has been proposed to upgrade sidewalks and pedestrian curb ramps in the downtown area to meet ADA guidelines. The project would include replacement of deficient sidewalk, replacement of non-compliant sidewalk and upgrades to pedestrian curb ramps.

The estimated costs for these improvements are \$500,000 and would be paid via the State of Minnesota through the state aid street system (\$300,000) and assessments to adjacent property owners (\$200,000), with plans for construction in 2027.

m) I-90 Corridor Landscaping Project:

MnDOT is in the process of replacing bridges along the I-90 corridor. The Visual Quality Advisory Committee, made up of MnDOT, Vision 2020, County, and City representatives have worked together on a uniform design for bridge replacements throughout the I-90 corridor. This manual includes, among other things, landscaping plans for each of the 10 bridge crossings through the corridor. The goal of VQAC for the corridor includes:

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MnDOT will cover aesthetic costs up to 7% of the total bridge cost, this includes landscaping. It is MnDOT intent to complete the bridges and then come back with a corridor landscaping project.

These improvements have been identified as part of the former Vision2020 Gateway to Austin Committee. The estimated local cost share of the landscaping is \$200,000 and would be paid for via a local grant in 2027.

n) **Arena Improvements:**

The following improvements are proposed to be replaced/repared at Riverside and Packer Arenas:

ARENA IMPROVEMENTS					
Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Water Heater Replacement (P)	\$ 30,000				
Interior Painting (P)	\$ 30,000				
Lighting Upgrades (R)	\$ 100,000				
Sidewalk (R)	\$ 50,000				
Software (R)	\$ 5,000				
Roof Replacement – E/W (R)		\$ 225,000			
Roof Replacement – North (R)			\$ 150,000		
Re-sheeting Boards (R)			\$ 50,000		
2004 locker room air handler (R)			\$ 30,000		
Roof Replacement – South (R)				\$ 150,000	
Entry sidewalk (R) E/W sides				\$ 40,000	
Re-sheeting Boards (P)				\$ 60,000	
Roof Replacement (P)					\$ 300,000
Total Expenses	\$ 215,000	\$ 225,000	\$ 230,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 300,000

The estimated cost of the above projects would be paid for via the City of Austin’s tax levy.

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Hazardous bldg. removal	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
b	I90 bridge replacement	\$ 700,000				
c	Welcome sign	\$ 160,000				
d	Oakland Ave. W.-design		\$ 350,000			
e	Downtown signal light		\$ 700,000			
f	Alley repairs		\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	
g	10 th Drive study		\$ 100,000			
h	Oakland Ave. East			\$ 300,000		
i	Pedestrian ramp/sidewalk improvements			\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000
j	10 th Drive SE intersection			\$1,000,000		
k	10 th Drive SE bridge				\$ 300,000	
l	Downtown sidewalk					\$ 500,000
m	I90 landscaping					\$ 200,000
n	Arena improvements	\$ 215,000	\$ 225,000	\$ 230,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 300,000
	Total Expenses	\$1,175,000	\$1,675,000	\$2,030,000	\$1,050,000	\$1,300,000

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Tax Levy	\$ 215,000	\$ 225,000	\$ 230,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 300,000
Assessments			\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 300,000
MSAS Fund (42000)		\$1,050,000	\$1,300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000
Building Fund (48000)					
Grants	\$ 860,000				
Capital Impr. (49000)	\$ 100,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000
Total Misc. Streets	\$1,090,000	\$1,675,000	\$2,030,000	\$ 1,050,000	\$1,300,000

Note 1:

See Section II for a review of the Building Fund (48000) and the Capital Improvement Fund (49000).
See Section I for a review of the State Aid Street Fund (42000).

O. PARKS AND RECREATION:

1. Project Descriptions

The completion of the Park & Trails Master Plan in 2022 will determine the future of many projects within the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department. The following items are anticipated. They will be amended as needed following the master plan implementation.

a) Miscellaneous Park Projects:

The Park and Recreation Department would like to schedule maintenance on the roads/paths that meander throughout the park system. Park roads scheduled for 2024-2027 will be assessed on an annual basis.

The total estimated cost of \$100,000 would be paid for via the tax levy as an allocation out of the General Fund (11000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2024-2027 at \$25,000 annually.

b) ADA Walkways to Play Equipment and Restroom:

There are several parks that received funding with DNR Park grants several years ago that are still inspected today as they are considered a permanent investment. With the evolution of ADA compliance laws these items are showing up in the inspection notes. As we begin to look at different parks, we must also consider the ability to reach play areas and other facilities.

The total estimated cost of \$20,000 would be paid for via the tax levy as an allocation out of the General fund (11000) to achieve and maintain ADA standards. The project is scheduled for construction in 2024-2027 at \$5,000 annually.

c) Pavilions / Buildings:

During the year parks will be reviewed annually to see where the greater need is for new or replacement and upgrades to present pavilions based on the park usage.

The estimated cost of \$175,000 would be paid for via the tax levy as an allocation out of the General Fund (11000). The project is scheduled for 2024 (\$25,000), 2025 (\$50,000), 2026 (\$70,000), and 2027 (\$30,000).

d) Izaak Walton Cabin:

The Izaak Walton Cabin is proposing to replace the threshold with a permanent handicapped approach and cover the back patio. This is a facility that is used by the Izaak Walton league and rented by the public as well. Over the past few years, we have been upgrading the facility to enhance its rentability. The back patio surface is in need of repair and upgrade. A proposed brick patio surface would be installed in conjunction with the patio cover.

The estimated cost of \$55,000 would be paid for via the tax levy as an allocation out of the General Fund (11000). The project is scheduled for 2024.

e) **Park Equipment:**

Miscellaneous Parks – Updating our play equipment to meet new industry standards ensures the safety of our citizens. We also need to be cognizant of inclusive play and all ADA requirements. As we update play equipment, we will also look at different surfacing.

The total estimated cost of \$330,000 for the park’s equipment would be paid for via the City of Austin’s Building Fund (2023) and tax levy as an allocation out of the General Fund (11000) in 2024-2025. The project is scheduled for construction in 2023 for \$130,000, 2024 (\$100,000), and 2025 (\$100,000).

f) **Community Bandshell:**

The current Bandshell structure is in need of a new stucco exterior, paint, and a new roof. The Bandshell is used for several concerts in the park as well as the 4th of July celebration.

The total estimated cost of \$80,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin’s tax levy as an allocation out of the General Fund (11000). The project is scheduled for completion in 2025.

g) **Playground Surface Replacement:**

We propose to begin to replace sand or wood fiber under existing play equipment. Review areas that do not flood as well as high traffic play areas to determine the best product for each park. This program could continue for several years.

The total estimated cost of \$330,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin’s tax levy as an allocation out of the General Fund (11000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2024 (\$130,000), 2025 (\$100,000), and 2026 (\$100,000).

h) **Riverland Baseball Backstop Netting:**

We propose to begin to repair the netting immediately behind the backstop at Riverland Community College.

The total estimated cost of \$5,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin’s tax levy as an allocation out of the General Fund (11000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2023.

i) **Replace Warming Houses:**

The warming houses at Skinner’s Hill and Galloway Park are in structural decline and are in need of replacement.

The total estimated cost of \$50,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin’s tax levy. The project is scheduled for construction in 2024 (\$25,000 Skinner’s Hill) and 2025 (\$25,000 Galloway Park).

j) Sola fide Pit Toilet:

Currently a portable toilet is deployed and maintained at the observatory. A manufactured pit toilet would alleviate the need and cost of frequent maintenance. It will also provide for a much nicer and accessible facilities for observatory users.

The total estimated cost of \$20,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin's tax levy in 2024.

k) Sherman Park Restroom:

The restroom at Sherman Park has been closed for some time and is not safe to reopen. It should be demolished and replaced with a new pavilion and simple accessible restroom.

The total estimated cost of \$120,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin's tax levy in 2025.

l) Backstop Fence Repair:

There are several facilities where backstop repair fencing and concrete repair would be beneficial. The proposed repair schedule is as follows:

- Todd Park South (\$75,000 in 2024)
- Bustad Park (\$15,000 in 2025)
- Lafayette Park (\$15,000 in 2025)
- South Grove Park (\$25,000 in 2024 for both Pickleball and baseball)
- Northwest Park (\$15,000 in 2026)
- Sherman Park (\$15,000 in 2026)
- Shirley Theel Park (\$15,000 in 2027)

The total estimated cost of \$175,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin's tax levy in 2024-2027.

m) Minor Equipment:

As part of the 2023 budget, Parks and Recreation has budgeted for the following:

- Robotic field painter, \$55,000
- Weed mitigation fence-line system, \$20,000
- Downtown electric maintenance equipment, \$20,000

The total estimated cost of \$95,000 would be paid for via the City of Austin's tax levy in 2023.

n) Equipment Purchases – Parks:

The Equipment Replacement Schedule as listed below identifies each piece of equipment and when it is scheduled for replacement. The equipment may be listed below to be replaced, but the actual condition of each piece of equipment will be evaluated on an annual basis to determine if additional use of the equipment is still cost beneficial. If the equipment is still determined to be in good running shape, the equipment will not be replaced, but may be moved back on the equipment schedule.

The other purpose of the schedule is to determine what internal user charges will be needed to sustain the fleet to have the required equipment being replaced. Sufficient funds need to be maintained to cash flow both the operations of the Central Garage and to cover the costs of the new equipment being purchased.

The following are the scheduled equipment purchases for the Parks and Recreation Department for the next five years:

EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT SCHEDULE – PARKS						
#	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
74	Log truck replacement	\$ 150,000				
13	Toro 580D mower		\$ 120,000			
33	Skid Loader		\$ 70,000			
53	Ag Tractor		\$ 120,000			
7	Pickup Truck		\$ 40,000			
22	Pickup Truck			\$ 40,000		
15	2003 Case 570 tractor			\$ 120,000		
11	Pickup Truck (2001)			\$ 40,000		
	Replace leaf rake unit			\$ 20,000		
38	1991 dump box Ford				\$ 60,000	
39	2001 Kubota tractor				\$ 120,000	
61	1999 Cushman trail truck				\$ 30,000	
8	Tractor/Loader				\$ 120,000	
14	Laser Grader				\$ 130,000	
17	Pickup Truck					\$ 45,000
	Pickup Truck					\$ 45,000
	Total Expenses	\$ 150,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 220,000	\$ 460,000	\$ 90,000

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – PARK AND RECREATION						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Miscellaneous parks		\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
b	ADA walkways		\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
c	Pavilions/buildings		\$ 25,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 70,000	\$ 30,000
d	Izaak Walton cabin		\$ 55,000			
e	Park Equipment	\$ 130,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000		
f	Community Bandshell			\$ 80,000		
g	Playground surface		\$ 130,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	
h	Riverland backstop	\$ 5,000				
i	Warming houses		\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000		
j	Sola fide pit toilet		\$ 20,000			
k	Sherman park restroom			\$ 120,000		
l	Backstop fence repair		\$ 100,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 15,000
m	Minor equipment	\$ 95,000				
n	Equipment Purchases	\$ 150,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 220,000	\$ 460,000	\$ 90,000
	Total Expenses	\$ 380,000	\$ 835,000	\$ 755,000	\$ 690,000	\$ 165,000

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – PARK AND RECREATION					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Tax Levy	\$ 100,000	\$ 485,000	\$ 535,000	\$ 230,000	\$ 75,000
Building Fund (48000)	\$ 130,000				
Central Garage Fund (71000)	\$ 150,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 220,000	\$ 460,000	\$ 90,000
Total Park and Rec.	\$ 380,000	\$ 835,000	\$ 755,000	\$ 690,000	\$ 165,000

Note 1:

See Section II for a review of the Tax Levy, and Grants.
See Section I for a review of the Central Garage Fund (71000).

Q. STORM WATER UTILITY DISTRICT

1. Project Descriptions

a) **Storm Sewer Upgrades:**

This program allows for the funding of structurally deficient or undersized storm sewer pipe throughout Austin.

The estimated cost of the projects is \$250,000 annually and would be paid for via the City of Austin's Storm Water Utility District Fund fund balance. These projects will correspond to street reconstruction.

The project is scheduled for construction in 2023 through 2027.

b) **Tile Line Installation:**

In order to avoid capital costs at the Wastewater Treatment Plant to provide additional capacity, we propose an ongoing tile installation system to remove infiltration from the sanitary sewer system.

The estimated cost of the project is approximately \$20,000 per year and would be paid for via the City of Austin's Stormwater Utility District Fund. The project is scheduled for construction in 2023 through 2027.

c) **Cedar River Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Reduction Program:**

To meet MPCA requirements for reduction of solid loadings to the impaired Cedar River, some improvements will be made.

The estimated cost of the project is \$50,000 annually and would be paid for via the City of Austin's Storm Water Utility District fund. The project is scheduled for construction in 2023 through 2027.

d) **Bandshell Park Rain Garden/Pond**

The area located on the NW part of Bandshell Park is a low area that is susceptible to wet conditions preventing the area from being mowed and maintained. It is believed that there are multiple natural springs in the area that contribute to the existence of the wet and saturated soil. The Park & Rec Department, working with the SWCD and Engineering Dept., are reviewing options for a long-term solution to the area. Options under review include; A) installation of underground tile to dry the area \$30,000, B) construction of an open water pond \$50,000 or C) native plantings to create a natural wetland area \$10,000.

Options A & B would have an estimated cost of \$30,000 via the Park & Rec General fund. Option B would have an additional \$20,000 via the City of Austin's Storm Water Utility District fund. Option C would have an estimated cost of \$10,000 via the Park & Rec General fund. The project is scheduled for construction in 2024.

e) O’Leary Development Pond (12th Avenue NE):

The City of Austin recently acquired a portion of the O’Leary property along 14th Street NE for commercial development. As we look to develop the southerly portion of the property with roadway construction and commercial development, stormwater retention will be required. The project will likely include 2 stormwater ponds, one near the SW corner of the property and the other near the SE corner. These stormwater ponds will be constructed in conjunction with the 12th Avenue NE roadway extension.

The estimated cost of the project is \$200,000 and would be paid for via the City of Austin’s Storm Water Utility District fund (\$100,000) and Port Authority fund (\$100,000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2023.

f) Storm Sewer Main Inventory and Inspection Program:

This would be a multi-year project to inspection and inventory the storm sewer system. The system is made up of 80 miles for storm sewer pipe and 4400 manholes and catch basins structures. The inspection and inventory would evaluate the condition of the existing storm main, providing a condition rating for the manholes and catch basin structures and map the location of the entire system.

The estimated cost of the project is \$500,000 and would be paid for via the City of Austin’s Storm Water Utility District fund over 2-years. The project is scheduled for construction in 2024 and 2025.

g) Ellis Ditch Drainage Study:

The Ellis ditch provides drainage for a watershed of approximately 2700 acres that includes the SE portion of Austin, Ellis School, Austin Municipal Airport and adjacent farm land. Over the years the ditch has lost capacity with overgrown trees and sediment. The project would involve implementing improvements developed from the evaluation of the drainage area from Dobbins Creek, upstream to 28th Street SW, including ditch capacity and available storage in the Johnson Pit. The goal of the project will be to increase capacity and storage to decrease flooding impacts to property owners along Ellis Ditch and downstream.

The estimated cost of the project is \$100,000 and would be paid for via the local option sales tax (\$66,000) and the City of Austin’s Storm Water Utility District fund (\$34,000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2024.

h) Ellis Ditch Improvements:

The Ellis ditch provides drainage for a watershed of approximately 2700 acres that includes the SE portion of Austin, Ellis School, Austin Municipal Airport and adjacent farm land. Over the years the ditch has lost capacity with overgrown trees and sediment. The project would involve implementing improvements developed from the evaluation of the drainage area from Dobbins Creek, upstream to 28th Street SW, including ditch capacity and available storage in the Johnson Pit. The goal of the project will be to increase capacity and storage to decrease flooding impacts to property owners along Ellis Ditch and downstream.

The estimated cost of the project is \$1,500,000 and would be paid for via the local option sales tax (\$1,000,000) and the City of Austin's Storm Water Utility District fund (\$500,000). The project is scheduled for construction in 2026.

i) Riverland Drainage Ditch:

This ditch is located west of Riverland and drains NW from 8th Avenue to I-90. Over the years the ditch has lost capacity from sediment and has a large number of trees encroaching. The project would involve removing the trees and sediment to re-establish the proper ditch bottom and grade.

The estimated cost of the project is \$100,000 and would be paid for via the City of Austin's Storm Water Utility District fund. The project is scheduled for construction in 2027.

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – STORM WATER UTILITY DISTRICT						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Storm Sew. Upgrades	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000
b	Sump pump tile	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
c	Cedar River TMDL	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
d	Bandshell rain garden		\$ 100,000			
e	O’Leary pond dev.	\$ 200,000				
f	Storm Sewer inventory		\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000		
g	Ellis Ditch study		\$ 100,000			
h	Ellis Ditch improve.				\$1,500,000	
i	Riverland Drainage Ditch					\$ 100,000
	Total Expenses	\$ 520,000	\$ 770,000	\$ 570,000	\$1,820,000	\$ 420,000

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – STORM WATER UTILITY DISTRICT					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Tax Levy		\$ 50,000			
WWTP Fund (61000)					
Grants	\$ 100,000				
Local Sales Tax		\$ 66,000		\$ 1,000,000	
Storm Water Utility Dist.	\$ 420,000	\$ 654,000	\$ 570,000	\$ 820,000	\$ 420,000
Total Misc. Streets	\$ 520,000	\$ 770,000	\$ 570,000	\$ 1,820,000	\$ 420,000

CASH BALANCE – STORM WATER UTILITY DISTRICT (67000)					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Beg. Cash Balance 1/1	\$ 950,000	\$1,053,750	\$ 910,750	\$ 838,550	\$ 502,750
Investment Earnings					
User Fees	\$ 950,000	\$ 950,000	\$ 950,000	\$ 950,000	\$ 950,000
Tax Levy		\$ 50,000			
Grants	\$ 100,000				
Local Sales Tax		\$ 66,000		\$ 1,000,000	
WWTP Fund (61000)					
Less: Cap. Items (above)	(\$ 520,000)	(\$770,000)	(\$ 570,000)	(\$1,820,000)	(\$ 420,000)
Less: Non MSA Streets					
Less: Misc. Other					
Less: Operations (Note 1)	(\$ 426,250)	(\$ 439,000)	(\$ 452,200)	(\$ 465,800)	(\$ 479,700)
End. Cash Bal. 12/31	\$ 1,053,750	\$ 910,750	\$ 838,550	\$ 502,750	\$ 553,050

Note 1: Estimated increase of 3% included.

R. SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

1. Project Descriptions

a) Carpet:

The carpet in certain parts of the facility are showing their wear and tear. Specifically, the main office and the pool table room carpet is in need of replacement.

The estimated cost of the project is \$13,500 and would be paid for via the City of Austin’s fund balance (\$6,500) in 2023 for the main office area, and via the City of Austin’s tax levy (\$7,000) in 2024 for the pool table room.

b) Make-up Air Heating Unit:

The MAU’s for heating the kitchen and dining rooms are in need of replacement. The estimated cost of replacing both units is \$10,000 and would be paid for via the City of Austin’s tax levy.

The project is scheduled for construction in 2026.

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Carpet	\$ 6,500	\$ 7,000			
b	Air heating unit				\$ 10,000	
	Total Expenses	\$ 6,500	\$ 7,000	\$ 0	\$ 10,000	\$ 0

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Tax Levy		\$ 7,000		\$ 10,000	
Fund Balance	\$ 6,500				
Building Fund (48000)					
Total Senior Center	\$ 6,500	\$ 7,000	\$ 0	\$ 10,000	\$ 0

Note 1:

See Section II for a review of the Tax Levy and Building Fund.
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S. FLOOD MITIGATION

1. Project Descriptions

The City of Austin is in the midst of undertaking many projects relating to flooding issues. Outlined below are the different capital projects the City of Austin plans to undertake. More projects will be identified as engineering studies are completed.

a) WWTP Levee Improvements (Phase 1):

Over the years during flood events, levees have been built at the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). The levees have been built of miscellaneous soils as emergency measures. This project will evaluate the existing levees, and make the necessary improvements to upgrade the levees to meet FEMA standards. The total estimated cost of the project is \$7,500,000 and would be completed in 2-phases. Phase 1 will include levee/wall construction near the head of the plant. Underground piping will be upgraded through the levee/walls to minimize the potential for future failures.

The total estimated cost for Phase 1 is \$5,500,000 and would be paid for via a DNR Bonding Bill grant (\$2,750,000) and the local option sales tax (\$2,750,000). The project is scheduled for 2023.

b) Stormwater Lift Station Generator

As part of our flood mitigation systems, we have installed stormwater pumping stations to manage rain water during a high-water event. We currently have four (4) stormwater pump stations, two (2) on North Main and two (2) on Turtle Creek. Each of these stormwater pumping stations have 2-30 hp pumps to move water across the levee system when it cannot flow by gravity. In order to plan for every possible option, it is necessary to have backup power on hand for an emergency. The rare scenario would involve a flood event where the rivers are above flood stage together with a thunderstorm producing rain and lightning that knocks out power to the pump stations when they are need to move water across the levee system. Again, it would be rare for all three events to occur simultaneously, but nonetheless something that we need to plan for.

The total estimated cost to purchase 2-150,000 KW portable generators is \$250,000. The funding for this equipment would be via the local options sales tax and is scheduled for 2023.

c) WWTP Levee Improvements (Phase 2):

Over the years during flood events, levees have been built at the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). The levees have been built of miscellaneous soils as emergency measures. This project will evaluate the existing levees, and make the necessary improvements to upgrade the levees to meet FEMA standards. The total estimated cost of the project is \$7,500,000 and would be completed in 2-phases. Phase 2 will include levee/wall construction near the lower end of the plant. Underground piping will be upgraded through the levee/walls to minimize the potential for future failures.

The total estimated cost for Phase 2 is \$3,000,000 and would be paid for via a DNR Bonding Bill grant (\$1,500,000) and the local option sales tax (\$1,500,000). The project is scheduled for 2025.

d) Scattered Site Acquisition:

Property located throughout Austin has been subject to repetitive flood losses. A number of these parcels cannot be cost effectively protected and the only feasible mitigation effort is acquisition. All acquisition would be based on repetitive loss criteria to determine eligibility.

- Salvation Army \$1,200,000
- Terp Ballroom \$ 800,000
- Wildwood Park (7) \$ 800,000

The total estimated cost of the project is \$2,800,000 and the funding for this project is from a proposed DNR Bonding bill grant (\$1,400,000) and the local options sales tax (\$1,400,000). The project is scheduled for 2025.

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – FLOOD MITIGATION						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	WWTP Levee - I	\$5,500,000				
b	Lift Station Generator	\$ 250,000				
c	WWTP Levee - II			\$ 3,000,000		
d	Scattered Site			\$ 2,800,000		
	Total Expenses	\$5,750,000	\$ 0	\$ 5,800,000	\$ 0	\$ 0

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – FLOOD MITIGATION					
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Grants	\$2,750,000		\$ 2,900,000		
Local Sales Tax	\$3,000,000		\$ 2,900,000		
Total Flood Mitigation	\$5,750,000	\$ 0	\$ 5,800,000	\$ 0	\$ 0

Note 1:

See Section II for a review of the Grants.
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T. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

1. Project Descriptions

a) Housing/Daycare Initiatives:

Housing and daycare continue to be a leading challenge to business growth. As a result, Council will build on our other economic development incentive efforts and establish a similar structure for daycare and multi-family housing development which will include allocating funds to help developers to construct homes and apartments in Austin.

The estimated cost is \$1,100,000 and would be paid for via the Building Fund fund balance (\$600,000) and is scheduled for 2023.

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – FLOOD MITIGATION						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Housing/daycare initiatives	\$1,100,000				
	Total Expenses	\$1,100,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – MAYOR AND COUNCIL					
Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Fund Balance					
Building Fund (48000)	\$ 1,100,000				
Total Expenses	\$ 1,100,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Note 1:

See Section II for a review of the Tax Levy Building Fund (48000).
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U. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. Project Descriptions

a) Targeted Area Redevelopment (8th Avenue NE and Post Office):

The Austin HRA is spearheading an effort to redevelop areas of Austin with dilapidated housing, including the north side of 8th Avenue NE east of 8th Street and the Post Office area. This would be a voluntary acquisition program and the goal would be to remove all of the structures for potential redevelop. To date, they successfully purchased a motel (110 2nd Street SE), 3 properties on 2nd Street SE and 3 properties on 8th Avenue NE.

To continue the program, we have estimated total costs for the project are \$1,000,000 and would be paid for via the City of Austin’s Capital Improvement Revolving Fund fund balance (\$500,000) and HRA funds (\$500,000) from 2023 thru 2027.

b) I-90/11th Drive Site Cleanup:

Pollution cleanup associated with this 13.55 acres of Port Authority property along I-90. A Phase II environmental report estimating approximately 13,000 cubic yards of material for removal. Using an excavation rate of \$10/cy, disposal rate of \$40/cy and fill rate of \$25/cy, the total cost per cubic yard would be \$75.

The estimated cost of the project is \$1,000,000 and would be paid for via a state grant application (\$800,000) and the tax levy (through the Port Authority fund for \$200,000).

The project is scheduled for construction in 2023, but is ultimately dependent upon the City’s ability to acquire a state brownfield grant for the project.

2. Project Schedule

PROJECT SCHEDULE – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT						
	Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
a	Targeted Area Redevelopment	\$ 600,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
b	I-90/11 th Drive	\$ 800,000				
	Total Expenses	\$ 1,400,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000

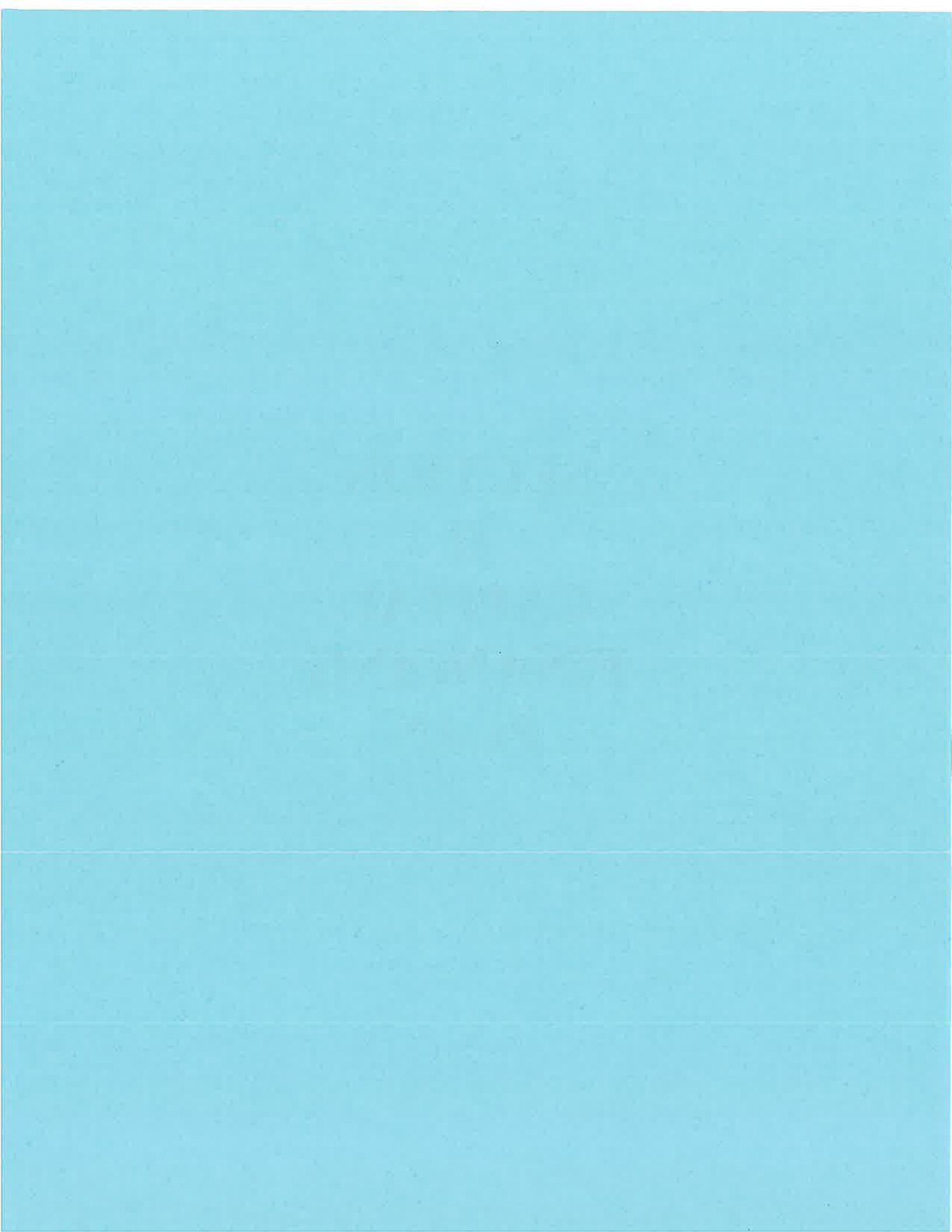
3. Funding Summary

FUNDING SUMMARY – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Tax Levy					
Grants	\$ 900,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$100,000
Capital Impr. (49000)	\$ 500,000				
Fund Balance					
Total Expenses	\$1,400,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$100,000

Note 1:

See Section II for a review of the Tax Levy, Grants, and Capital Improvement Revolving Fund (49000).

**SECTION
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SECTION II – CAPITAL FINANCING PLAN

The City of Austin has outlined many specific funds for which much of the detailed capital outlay will be funded from. However, there are three funding sources that need some specific review in detail so the Mayor and Council can see the long-term effects of our 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan on certain funding sources.

Tax Levy Analysis:

The City of Austin annually allocates tax levy for capital outlay purposes along with the normal operations of the municipal government. For the Taxes Payable 2023 year, the following is the breakdown of the tax levy in the different areas:

	<u>Amount</u>
Operations	\$ 6,316,400
Debt Service – Capital Imp. Fund	\$ 1,266,000
Capital Outlay	\$ 700,600
Total	\$ 8,283,000

The following are the needs of the tax levy from 2023 to 2027 to fund the items requested to be funded via the tax levy:

Department	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Police Department	\$ 188,100	\$ 379,600	\$ 163,500	\$ 207,600	\$ 278,200
Fire Department					
Library	\$ 85,000	\$ 20,000			\$ 100,000
Nature Center	\$ 33,000		\$ 15,000	\$ 30,000	
Administration	\$ 59,000	\$ 32,500	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
Wastewater Treat. Plant					
Central Garage					
Waste Transfer Station					
Airport	\$ 20,500	\$ 10,000		\$ 50,000	
Street Imp. – Local					
Street Imp. – MSA					
Trails					
Sanitary Sewer					
Miscellaneous Projects	\$ 215,000	\$ 225,000	\$ 230,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 300,000
Parks and Recreation	\$ 100,000	\$ 485,000	\$ 535,000	\$ 230,000	\$ 75,000
Storm Water Utility Dist.					
Senior Citizens Center		\$ 7,000		\$ 10,000	
Flood Mitigation					
Mayor and City Council					
Economic Development					
Total Tax Levy Funded	\$ 700,600	\$1,159,100	\$ 968,500	\$ 802,600	\$ 778,200

As you can see above, the tax levy needed fluctuates up and down depending on the year and the scope of the projects. Additionally, we have historically added a few hundred thousand dollars of other capital items (in the next budget year) that were not contemplated during the review of this process.

Capital Improvement Revolving Fund (49000):

The Debt Service – Capital Improvement Fund is a tax levy allocated to this fund to aid in miscellaneous construction projects. When streets are constructed but we cannot reach the minimum required assessment ratio, then the Capital Improvement Revolving Fund finances the street project, to be repaid with assessments and tax levies. Additionally, investment income is used to help fund some of the projects that have been requested. In 2023, \$1,256,000 of the tax levy is being used to pay for street projects that have been completed in prior years.

The following are the needs of the tax levy from 2022 to 2026 to fund the items requested to be funded via the Capital Improvement Fund (49000) through either tax levies or investment earnings:

Department	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Police Department					
Fire Department					
Library					
Nature Center					
Administration					
Wastewater Treat. Plant					
Central Garage					
Waste Transfer Station					
Airport					
Street Imp. – Local					
Street Imp. – MSA					
Trails	\$ 50,000		\$ 100,000	\$ 85,000	
Sanitary Sewer			\$ 100,000		
Miscellaneous Projects	\$ 100,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000
Parks and Recreation					
Storm Water Utility Dist.					
Senior Citizens Center					
Flood Mitigation					
Mayor and City Council					
Economic Development	\$ 500,000				
Total Capital Imp. Fund	\$ 650,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 600,000	\$ 485,000	\$ 400,000

CASH BALANCE REVIEW – CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND (49000)					
Department	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Beg. Cash 1/1	\$2,000,000	\$ 1,840,000	\$ 2,070,000	\$1,970,000	\$2,085,000
Tax Levy Support	\$1,446,000	\$ 1,730,000	\$ 1,700,000	\$1,900,000	\$2,000,000
Investment Earnings					
Assessments	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000
Prior Street Projects	(\$1,256,000)	(\$1,400,000)	(\$1,500,000)	(\$1,600,000)	(\$1,700,000)
Above Exp.	(\$ 650,000)	(\$ 400,000)	(\$ 600,000)	(\$ 485,000)	(\$ 400,000)
Cash Bal. 12/31	\$ 1,840,000	\$ 2,070,000	\$ 1,970,000	\$ 2,085,000	\$ 2,285,000

Building Fund (48000):

The Building Fund of the City of Austin is supported by the investment earnings of the city's other funds. The Building Fund is guaranteed a minimum of \$300,000 (Unless interest earnings fall) each year to be used for whatever the Council deems appropriate, but generally it has been allocated to construction projects that benefit the community.

Some allocations have been made on a continual basis, such as the debt service needs to pay off the bonds for the Austin Public Library. Other allocations are approved by the City Council through the normal resolution process. The Building Fund is reviewed on an as needed basis and adjustments are then made. The following are the Building Fund allocations that have been approved by council throughout the year adjusted for the addition of the 2026 year and deletion of the 2021 year:

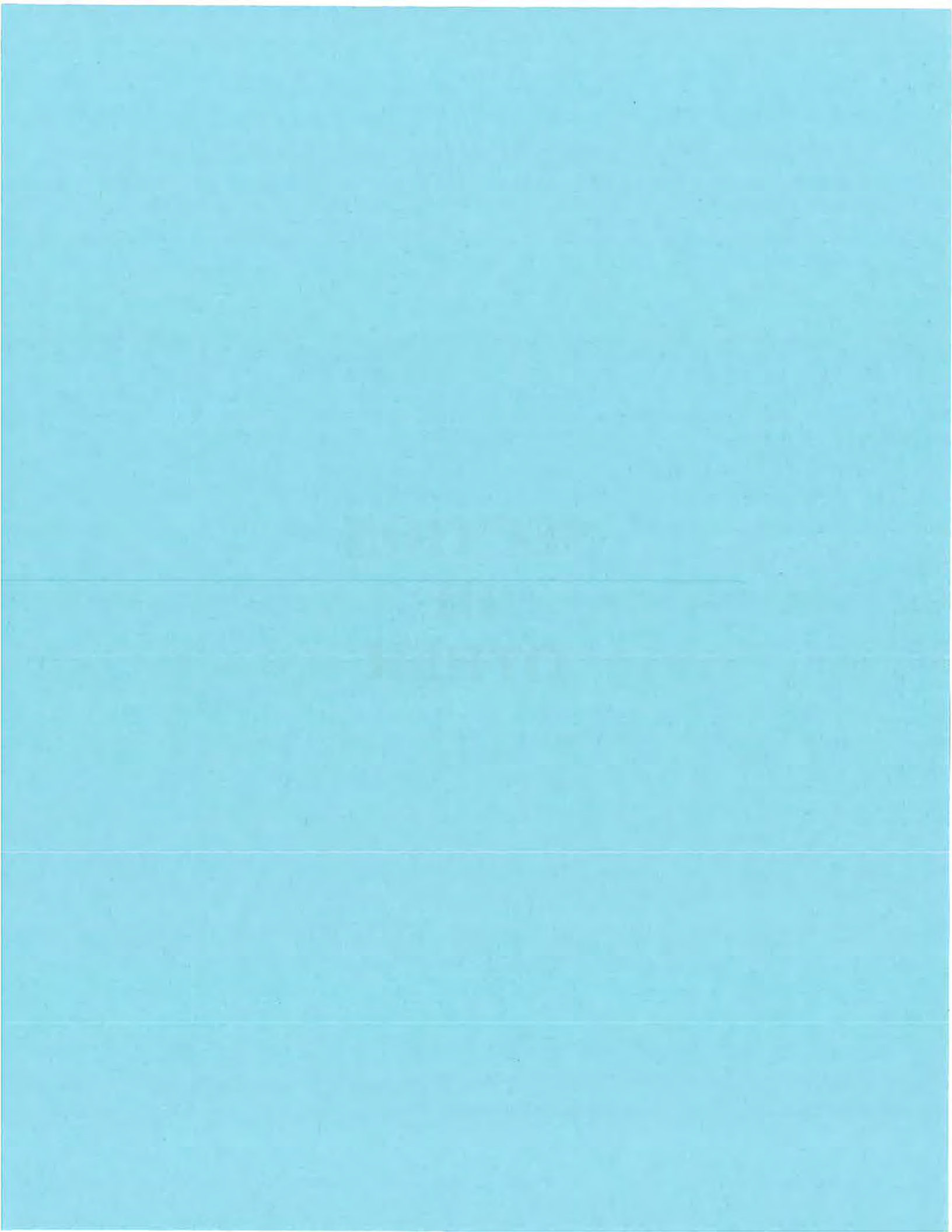
	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Cash Balance, 1/1	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 405,000	\$ 351,352	\$ 376,352	\$ 571,352
Interest Earnings	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000
Add: Contributions					
Less: Health Insurance					
Less: HRA Hous. Guar. (1)		(\$ 200,000)			
Less: Lydia Lien – Parks		(\$ 153,648)			
Less: Library	(\$ 1,090,000)		(\$ 275,000)	(\$ 105,000)	
Less: Fund balance initiatives	(\$ 210,000)				
Less: Park Equipment	(\$ 130,000)				
Housing Initiative	(\$ 1,465,000)				
Cash Balance, 12/31	\$ 405,000	\$ 351,352	\$ 376,352	\$ 571,352	\$ 871,352

Note 1: The HRA Housing Guarantee is only needed to be accessed if Chauncey/Courtyard Apartments do not meet certain budget and debt service covenants. If not needed in 2022, it will then be shifted to 2023, etc.

Grants:

The City of Austin is projecting \$101,618,000 of grants (including some assessments) in the five-year period from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2027. These grants range from state and federal sources, as well as local grantors such as the Hormel Foundation, Mower County, and private citizens. Large state and federal grants include the annual appropriation for State Aid Street funds for certain well traveled municipal roads to DNR grants for trails, to Federal Aviation Administration grants for the Municipal Airport expansion. All of these grants play an important role in the future expansion of Austin.

**SECTION
III
OTHER**



UNSCHEDULED PROJECTS

Arena Flooring –

The Park and Recreation Department is selling the old floor due to its expense in maintaining and moving of the floor pieces. A floor for the entire rink (17,000 square feet) would be approximately \$102,000. A basketball alone floor would be \$45,000.

An estimate of \$80,000 was obtained to install some response flooring for 3 volleyball courts to be used in either Packer or Riverside arena when there is no ice.

Riverland Community College Baseball Complex:

This complex is the host to the Riverland Blue Devils, Austin High School, Austin Youth Baseball, some adult teams, as well as a venue for surrounding small school to host sub-section and section tournaments. Having a turf field available to play games on when the weather shuts down other fields would be a great benefit to our teams and our community. The estimated cost of the project is \$800,000.

Industrial Park Business Incubator:

In order to promote growth in the Cook Farm, consideration should be given to building a business incubator shell to be used for industrial/job development. The estimated cost of the project is \$1,000,000.

Todd Park Soccer Complex Fence:

The desire to fence the Todd Park Soccer Complex has been a discussion point with the Austin Youth Soccer Association and the Parks and Recreation Department. There would be approximately 4,000 linear feet of fence which could encompass five of the six fields. There could be other considerations for field one, restroom, playground, and pavilion area. This project would need to be discussed further before a final decision on fence locations would be made. The fence would prevent vehicles and snowmobiles from driving on five of the six fields. The estimated cost is \$220,000.

Economic Development Fund:

This proposed fund would provide economic assistance for commercial and retail development as matching funds with potential partners being:

- City of Austin
- Austin Port Authority
- Austin HRA
- Austin Utilities
- Mower County
- Private Sector
- DCA
- Area Foundations

Criteria would be established by the City Council for the use of this fund, and the need would be based on there being a need for this type of financial assistance due to the fact there is not a program offered or available.

Jay C. Hormel Nature Center:

Future land expansion to the North and West of the current Nature Center would add 253 additional acres for the public's enjoyment. Prairie and Oak Savannah restoration would complete the section as well as enhance the habitat and serve as a natural buffer to Dobbins Creek. The estimated cost is unknown at this time.

Additionally, the establishment of a primitive campground on the North property would make a great place for scouts to earn their badges and for other youth groups to experience nature. The estimated cost of this project is unknown at this time.

Finally, the Nature Center would like to explore a trail connection to the North end primitive campground if a trail is established to Todd Park, Ramsey Dam, and the Shooting Star Trail. The estimated cost of the project is unknown at this time.

Municipal Pool:

The current flooring in the locker room, restrooms, guard room, and office could use some coverings. The estimated cost is unknown at this time.

Northwest Park:

A restroom facility to serve the playground area and youth baseball diamond should be considered. The estimated cost is unknown at this time.

Ramsey Mill Pond Scientific and Natural Area Site Improvements

City staff has been working with the DNR, Vision2020 Waterways and Bike Committees on a plan for improvements in and around the Ramsey Mill Pond area. The project would include paved pedestrian trails, historic railroad bridge improvements and natural gathering spaces around the Ramsey Mill Pond Dam and DNR Science and Nature Area. The estimated cost of the project is \$4,000,000 and would involve funding from a MnDNR bonding grant.

Central Garage Addition

The Central Garage facility was designed to provide for the expansion of one bay, 88'x176' or 15,500 sf. This is proposed to accommodate growth and inside storage of vehicles. The estimated cost of the project is \$2,000,000 using a rate of \$130/sf.

Todd Park Field Grading

The playing field conditions on all Todd Park ballfields have degraded over time due to erosion, buried items such as septic tanks, wells, and other abandoned facilities. These areas will need to be graded and irrigation systems updated. The estimated cost for these improvements is \$2,500,000.

Todd Park Sewer Project

There are three main facilities in Todd Park that still operate on a septic system. They are the North Complex, soccer complex, and pavilion #1. These should be hooked up to the city sewer system. There is no cost or timeline currently associated with this project.

Future Unscheduled Trail Projects:

Turtle Creek Pedestrian Bridge:

As part of the Turtle Creek Phase 1 pedestrian trail, a bridge over Turtle Creek will be required to make the connection to 12th Street SW. With the bridge, this trail segment would connect from 10th Street SW (Bustad Park) to 12th Street SW. The estimated cost of the project is \$800,000 and would be paid for via the City of Austin's tax levy through the Capital Improvement Revolving Fund (\$160,000) and a federal/state grant (\$640,000).

Turtle Creek Phase 2:

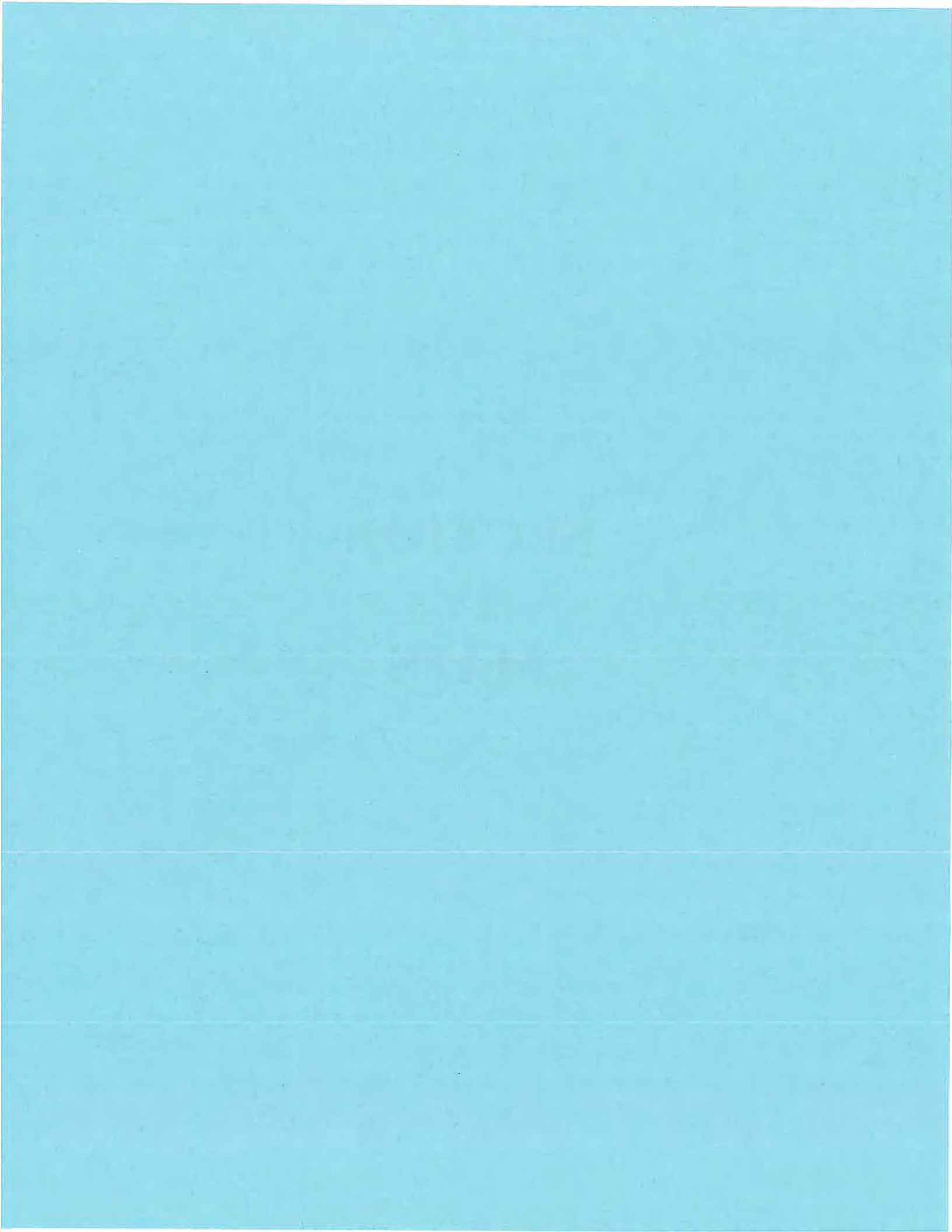
A ten-foot wide asphalt trail is proposed to be constructed adjacent to Turtle Creek from 12th Street SW to the intersection of 6th Avenue and 21st Street SW. The route is planned to meander along Turtle Creek utilizing both private easements and public roadways. The estimated cost of the project is \$250,000.

Riverland Trail:

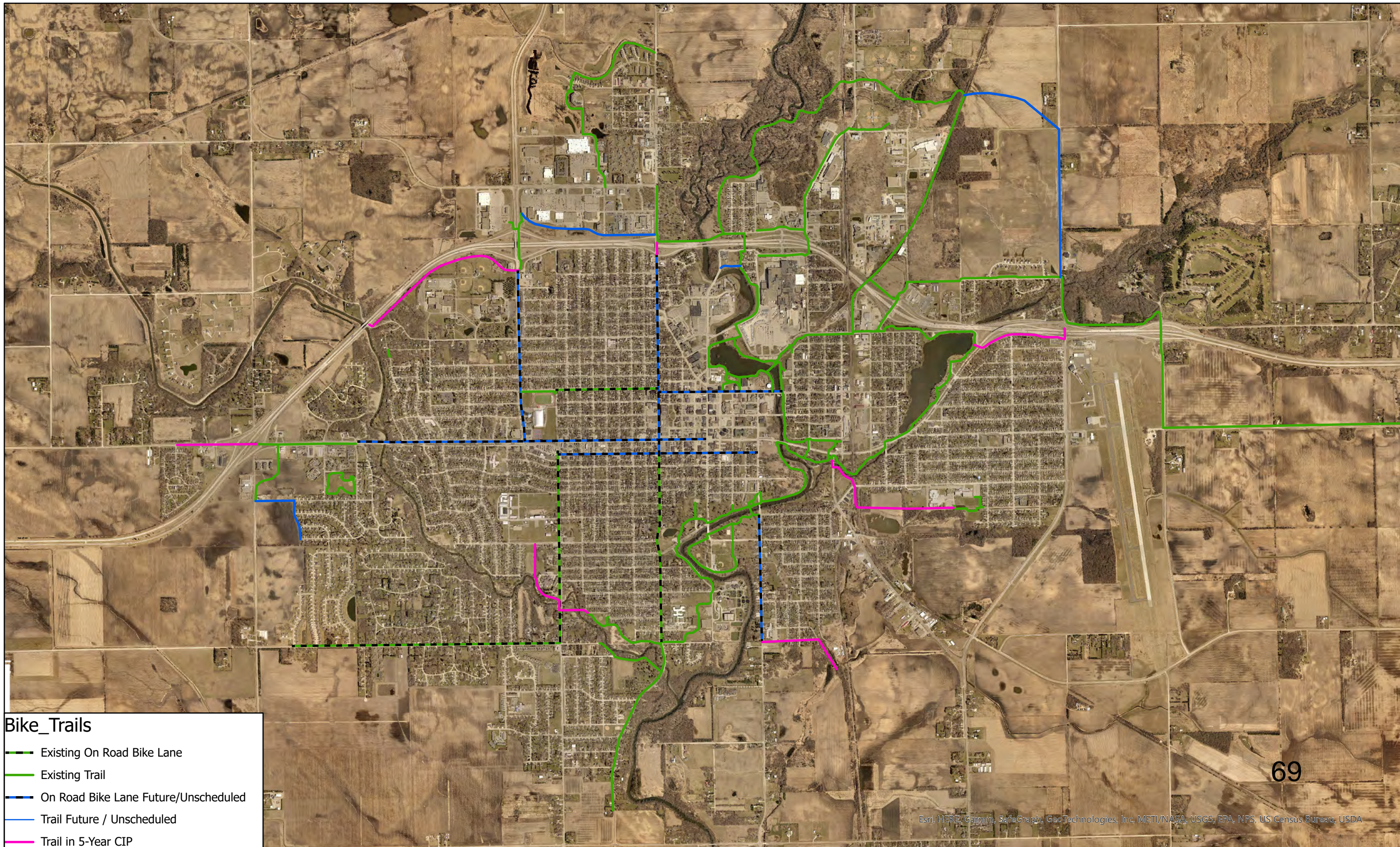
A ten-foot-wide asphalt trail is proposed to be constructed on the north side of Riverland Community College that would go from 14th Street NW to Turtle Creek and would be the connection for the Blazing Star Trail. The estimated cost of the project is \$300,000.

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**SECTION
IV
MAPS**



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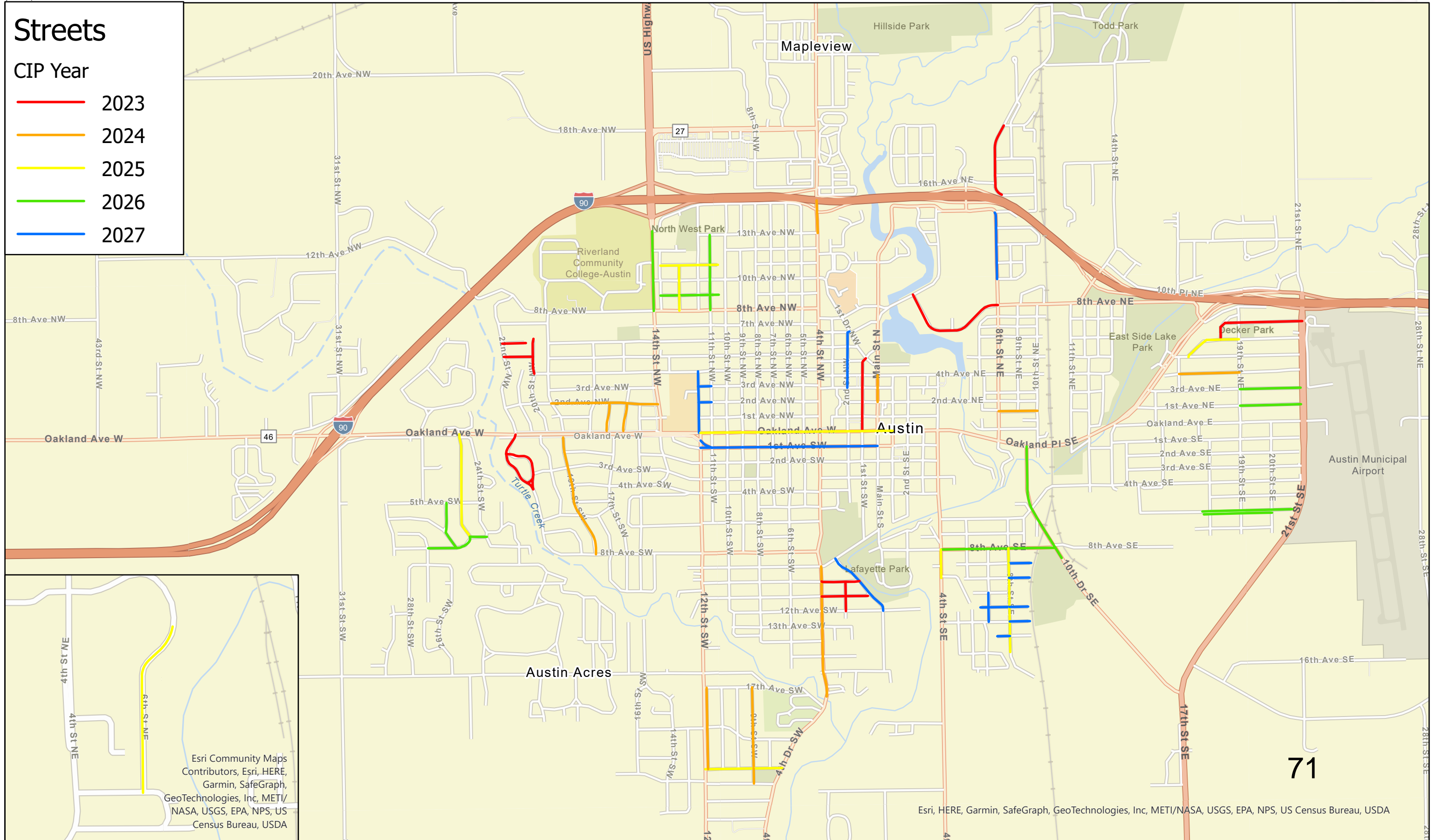
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