

## Spring City Sewer Project Development

11/21/2024

1. Wastewater Project Objective – To generally provide sewer service within 300' of as many building lots as practical to mitigate the growing number of septic systems within the town.
  - a. As a secondary result of the project, the expanded system will also provide the collection system capacity for future growth as the system is extended outward.
2. Wastewater Project Milestones
  - a. Wastewater Master Plan – 2020
    - i. Master Plan commissioned to evaluate capacity of existing collection system and lagoons.
    - ii. As the capacity evaluation was being completed, the council decided to explore the option to extend the sewer within town boundaries.
      1. The general objective was to get sewer within 300' of as many building lots as practical to mitigate the growing number of septic systems within the town.
  - b. USDA-RD Funding – Council decision to pursue funding through USDA-RD in September 2021
  - c. Sewer Project Preliminary Engineering Report and Environmental Reports – May 2023
  - d. Division of Water Quality Design Advance Funding – May 2023
  - e. USDA-RD Funding Authorization – July 2023
  - f. Design & Permitting – September 2023 – current
3. Current Status –
  - a. Final Design Plans approved by DWQ for bidding
  - b. Currently adding extensions at ~900 N
  - c. Will be ready to advertise for bids early December
4. Past Public Meetings and Hearings:
  - a. June 4, 2020 – City Council - Water and Sewer Master Plan Summary of Findings
  - b. April 14, 2021 – City Council – Report to council on proposed scope of water and sewer projects and discussion of funding options for both water and sewer projects.
  - c. May 6, 2021 – City Council – Report to council on USDA-RD funding option. Council approved proceeding with the application to USDA-RD for the sewer project.
  - d. June 3, 2021 – City Council – Discussion of the USDA-RD Preliminary Engineering Report and Environmental Report process and potential rate impacts.
  - e. August 18, 2021 – City Council – Continued discussion of water and sewer project funding, scope, and rate impacts.
  - f. September 2, 2021 – City Council - Continued discussion on the project scope and funding, and council approved proceeding with the USDA-RD PER and ER.

- g. March 3, 2022 – City Council – Engineering update on all projects (updated provided by Mike Black)
- h. September 1, 2022 – City Council – Update on projects and funding. Council approved proceeding with the application to USDA-RD
- i. November 9, 2022 – Work Meeting – Update on water project and sewer and water rate changes
- j. January 8, 2023 – Work Meeting – Water and sewer project updates, discussion of funding packages, project schedules, etc.
- k. March 15, 2023 – Work Meeting – Water and Wastewater rate review
- l. April 6, 2023 – Council Meeting – Review of engineering services contract for the wastewater project.
- m. April 19, 2023 – Work Meeting – Water Rate Review, Wastewater Rate Review
- n. May 4, 2023 – City Council – Proposed utility rates
- o. May 17, 2024 – Work Meeting – Continued discussion on proposed rates
- p. June 1, 2023 – Public Hearing – Utility rate adjustment hearing, to include a review of the sewer project.
- q. September 21, 2023 – Work Meeting – Brief update by Mayor Anderson on progress of water and sewer projects.
- r. November 2, 2023 – Public Hearing – Water Revenue Bond hearing
- s. April 4, 2024 – Council Meeting – Mayor Anderson provided updated on the water and sewer projects.
- t. May 2, 2024 – Public Hearing – Sewer Revenue Bond Parameter Resolution and Hearing
- u. June 27, 2024 – Work Meeting – Discussion of water system capacity, impact fees, additional lagoon work.
- v. July 30, 2024 – Work Meeting – Impact fees, additional lagoon improvements