



## Committee of the Whole

### 1. Boards and Commission Interviews (Amy)

The City Clerk has scheduled time for Council to consider the prospective candidates interested in filling vacancies on City Boards and Commissions. (attachment)



### 2. Update on City Preparations for Eclipse Events (Joan)

Joan, and the members of the City's Unified Command Team, have requested Committee time to share an update on the status of the final preparations for the April 8<sup>th</sup> Eclipse event and weekend activities. (attachment)

*Administrative Recommendation*

Receive the staff update, no action is necessary.

*Council Action*

**Receive the staff update.**

### 3. Update on the City Hall Construction Project (Melanie)

Melanie has asked for Committee time to share an update on the status of the construction of the new City Administration building.

*Administrative Recommendation*

Receive the staff update, no action is necessary.

*Council Action*

**Receive the staff update.**

## Community Development Committee

### 1. 2023-24 Climate Action Plan and Sustainability Update (Julie)

Julie has requested Committee time to present the highlights of the implementation of the City's Climate Action Plan and sustainability programs in 2023-24. (attachment)

*Administration Recommendation*

Receive the staff report, no action is necessary.

*Council Actions*

**Receive the staff report, no action is necessary.**



## Finance Committee

### 1. Donation of Parks and Recreation Youth Football Equipment (Angela)

Angela has requested Committee time to present a recommendation of the Kent Parks Board to authorize Kent Parks and Rec to donate their youth football equipment to the Kent Youth Football and Cheer (not-for-profit) organization because Kent Parks and Rec is returning the oversight and management of the cheer and football programs back to Kent Youth Football to operate. Angela has calculated the estimated value of the equipment donation to be \$28,741. (attachment)

#### *Administration Recommendation*

The Parks Board unanimously recommended transferring the equipment back to the Kent Youth Football and Cheer organization since the equipment is branded for Kent and has limited resale value. The Law Director indicates that Council has sufficient grounds to waive competitive bidding for the equipment and I recommend Council's approval of the donation and waiving competitive bidding as presented.

#### *Council Actions*

**Authorize the donation of the Kent Youth Football and Cheer equipment to Kent Youth Football and waive competitive bidding as presented, with the emergency clause.**

### 2. 2024 Celebrate Kent Awards and 2024 Social Service Grants (Bridget)

Bridget and Eric have evaluated the applications that we received for the 2024 Celebrate Kent Grant Awards and the 2024 Social Service Funding Grants. Staff have completed their review and established the funding awards which will be presented to Council for information purposes. The funding has already been approved by Council in the Operating Budget and staff will provide an overview of the planned allocation of the funds in 2024. The Celebrate Kent Grant Awards include \$15,000 for 7 applicants, and the Social Service Grants include \$61,944 for 7 recipients. (attachments)

#### *Administration Recommendation*

Receive the staff report, no action is necessary.

#### *Council Action*

**Receive the staff report, no action is necessary.**

## Streets, Sidewalks & Utilities Committee

### 1. Consideration of a New Street Request Closure on Erie Street (Bridget)

The staff have requested Committee time to present a request from the Branded in Kent to host an Earth Day event on April 20<sup>th</sup> from 11 am to 5 pm in Dan Smith Park. The applicant has requested closing a portion of Erie Street to allow an estimated 40 vendors to set up an Earth Day vendor market. The applicant is asking to close Erie Street from 9 am until 7 pm. (attachment)

#### *Administration Recommendation*

The requested closure of Erie Street would have minimal transportation or business related impacts, so staff recommends Council approve the street closure request as presented.

#### *Council Actions*

**Receive the staff report, and authorize the requested closure of Erie Street on April 20<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 7 pm as presented, with the emergency clause.**



## Information Items

### 1. Kent Police Statistics

Chief Shearer has provided a copy of the police statistics report for February 2024. In 2024, calls for service are up 7.9% (by 123 calls); traffic citations are up 36% (by 50 tickets); accident incidents are down 21.3% (by 10 incidents) for the month and serious crimes are up, at 13 incidents, compared to 2 in February of 2023. (attachment)

### 2. Income Tax Report

Rhonda Hall has provided a summary of income tax collections for February of 2024. Overall, the City income tax collections YTD are down 7.8% (\$349,862) compared with YTD of 2023. For the month of February, the City income tax collections are down 5.9% (\$9,508) compared to 2023. (attachment)