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To: Mayor and City Council
From: Mark A. Kibby, City Administrator
Date: April 11, 2023
Re: City Administrator's Report to Council

1. Rosedale Project: Hardrock Concrete started concrete removal yesterday. Rosedale Boulevard will be CLOSED at Southfield Road for the duration of the project.
2. Water Main Replacement: Bricco Excavating started the Paris Avenue (Allen Road to dead-end east of Laurance Avenue) project last week. Today, they started fusing the new water main together.
3. Concrete Sectioning and Utilities: Savone Cement is planning to start utility repairs next week.
4. In preparation for the Veterans Memorial renovation project at Champaign Park, clay and dirt from the various construction projects around the City is being placed at the park to help build the project area up.
5. As part of the CN Rail/America In Bloom grant for the two Veterans Memorial projects, there will be a media event on August 7th at 11:00 AM.
6. The America In Bloom Advisor Team will be in the City from July 23rd through July 26th. The two AIB Advisors – specially-trained professionals – will tour our community, meet leaders and volunteers, provide coaching and mentoring, and prepare a detailed evaluation that offers comprehensive recommendations for community transformation.

7. The last section of bleachers in the ice arena will be removed on May 8th and the new bleacher installation will start shortly thereafter.
8. The Parks & Recreation Department is working with the Allen Park Public Schools and APAC on the schedule for baseball field usage.
9. The new play equipment at Gingerbread Tot Lot is being installed. If everything goes as scheduled, the safety tiles could be installed by the end of the month and the park back open to the neighborhood children in early May.
10. The DDA Board voted not to renew their lease for the Allen Road office. We will be making office and workspace available to the Director and the Administrative Assistant at City Hall.
11. Last week, the DDA had the planting bed areas throughout the District spruced up. Through the efforts of DDA Director Ben Hughes, they also included the islands around the Community Center parking lot.
12. Firefighter Ryan Croft will be attending the pension training convention in Kalamazoo, Michigan from May 21st to May 23rd. He is the Fire Department's representative on the Allen Park Pension Board.
13. Police Chief Chris Egan and Bill Mehall will be attending the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police 2023 Summer Professional Development Conference in Bellaire, Michigan from June 25th to June 28th. This conference will assist with the accreditation process that the Police Department is undertaking.