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To: Mayor and City Council

From: Jason Behrmann, City Manager

Subject: **City Manager's General Administrative Report for August 13, 2025**

Pitch Elk Grove Finalists Announced

The wait is over! Following a highly competitive review process, the Economic Development Department has announced the nine startups advancing to the finals of the 2025 Pitch Elk Grove competition.

Companies representing some of the most promising early-stage ventures in the Sacramento region will vie for a share of \$20,000 in prize money during the live pitch event on Thursday, September 4 at District56. Register now at elkgrove.gov/pitchelkgrove.

Planning for a Permanent Shelter

The City is taking the next important step in addressing homelessness by planning for a permanent, year-round shelter. Staff are working with our consultant to host a three-part community meeting series to help shape the vision for the future homeless shelter. These meetings are a chance for residents to share feedback, ask questions, and help guide the shelter's design and services. To be clear, these meetings are not to determine the site's location. We'll ask for input on potential shelter sites later this fall.

These meetings will focus on a different part of the process from big-picture ideas to early design concepts. The first meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 20 from 5:30-7 p.m. at the Elk Grove Library (8900 Elk Grove Blvd.). Additional meetings are scheduled on September 6 and September 17. Details about these meetings and the project can be found on the City's website at elkgrove.gov/longtermshelter.

Make a Splash at a Movie

Dive into the Elk Grove Aquatics Center this Friday, August 15 for the next Fridays in the Grove event, a Dive-In Movie. Disney's Moana will be shown on the big screen under the stars. Doors open at 4 p.m. Rec Swim rates apply. Ages 5 and up, \$8, Ages 2-4, \$5, Under 2 is free.

Public Feedback Wanted

The City is seeking input on two key documents. The comment period for the draft Climate Compass (an update to the 2019 Climate Action Plan) closes August 15. Review and submit feedback at elkgrove.gov/cap or email Carrie Whitlock at cwhitlock@elkgrove.gov.

Also open for public feedback through August 31 is the Inclusive Community Participation Framework, aimed at improving how the City engages with residents. Visit the City's website to learn more and share your thoughts.

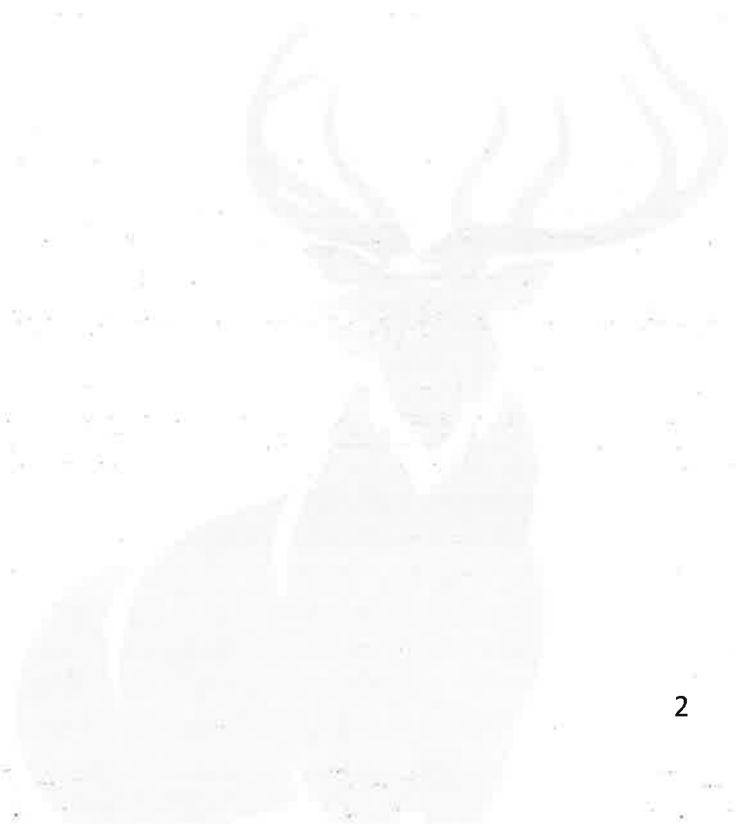
SacRT Transit Idea Exchange Workshop

SacRT will be hosting the fifth in a series of Transit Idea Exchange Workshops on Tuesday, August 19 from 6-7:30 p.m. at District56. This meeting will focus on how transit shapes our daily life and will help to design the future of mobility in our region. RSVPs are requested by emailing marketing@sacrt.com. More information can be found on the SacRT website.

August 27 City Council Meeting Cancellation

The regular City Council meeting scheduled on August 27 will be canceled due to the anticipated lack of quorum. A majority of Council Members will be traveling out of town on this date. The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is planned for Wednesday, September 10.

I am available to answer any questions regarding this report.



ATTACHMENT A

STANDING CITYWIDE INITIATIVES UPDATE

Updated as of Wednesday, August 13, 2025

District56

Description: The City is developing a multi-phased recreational campus on 56 acres just east of Big Horn Boulevard and south of Civic Center Drive. The site is known as District56 to honor the suggestion of "District" during the public naming process and 56 for the number of acres on the site. Individual projects are described in detail below. The Elk Grove Aquatics Center, the Center (including Senior Center and Veterans Hall), The Avenue of the Arts/Commons, Veterans Grove and the Preserve Nature Area are complete and operational. Future planned phases include a library and performing arts center.

The District56 website has been launched and can be found at: <http://www.district56elkgrove.com/>.

Amenity: Library and Performing Arts
The City has finalized a plan for the future Library and Cultural Arts Center (including a Performing Arts Center). Recommendations were presented to the Council on August 22, 2018 and were well received. The cost estimate (prepared in 2018) for the facility is between \$82-\$113 million depending on the program size and additional amenities desired.

Project Elevate: An Elevated Retail, Dining, and Entertainment Experience for Elk Grove

Description: The City owns a 20-acre property at the southeast corner of Elk Grove and Big Horn Boulevards, just north of District56 (the Civic Center/Aquatics Center). The City has evaluated future development opportunities for the site and has determined that a development project consisting of a mixed-use town center-style development that includes retail, dining, entertainment, office, a hotel, and potential residential is the preferred project at the site. The objective of the project is to elevate the level of retail, dining, entertainment, and hospitality amenities in the City, while at the same time developing the site with enhanced design elements that promote pedestrian activity and include central, public gathering spaces. For these reasons, the City refers to the project as Project Elevate.

Update: On June 25, 2025, the City Council authorized a Purchase and Sale Agreement between the City and developer CenterCal. Under the terms of the Agreement, CenterCal will purchase the property from the City for \$4 million and will develop a project consistent with the City's vision. The project will consist of a minimum of 100,00 SF of new-to-market elevated retail and dining, a four-story 100 room boutique hotel, and 10,000 SF of second floor uses that could include office, retail, or residential. The project could include market-rate and affordable residential units, as well.

Capital Southeast Connector Joint Powers Association (JPA)

Description: The Five agency Joint Powers Authority (City of Elk Grove, City of Folsom, City of Rancho Cordova, County of Sacramento, County of El Dorado) are working to develop a connector road linking Hwy 50 in El Dorado County at the future Silva Valley Interchange in El Dorado Hills with Interstate 5 at the Hood Franklin Interchange.

Update: Sheldon Area

The Grant Line Road Precise Roadway Plan Study that focused on the 2.7-mile Segment C of the Connector was presented to City Council on August 24, 2022 where Council agreed with the recommended Roundabouts versus Signals and the inclusion of an additional intersection between Sheldon Road and Calvine Road to reduce out of direction travel. Direction to initiate further analysis of the Wilton Road Intersection alternatives, and the incorporation of the preferred intersection controls into the Rural Area Community Plan of the General Plan as part of a future General Plan Update was also provided. Project WTR091, Grant Line Rd. and Wilton Road Operational Improvements is in Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) with AECOM Engineering. Dokken is concurrently working to complete the environmental assessment of Grant Line Road between Sherman Oaks Court to Aleilani Lane. This process is expected to be completed by spring of 2026.

Update: Kammerer Road Extension

The City is preparing the 65% design package for the extension of Kammerer Road from I-5 to Bruceville. Design continues to progress, and right-of-way acquisition activities have begun. Permission To Enter requests were sent to property owners last week for cultural pedestrian surveys and for confirmation of previous water/wetland delineations.

Library Relocation

Description: In 2006, the City facilitated the relocation of the Elk Grove branch to 8900 Elk Grove Boulevard. This facility, at the time, provided more space for the library and placed it at a prominent corner entering Old Town. As documented in a 2018 study, the community has outgrown this site and a new location is needed for the Elk Grove branch. In early 2021, the City acquired the former Rite Aid building at 9260 Elk Grove Boulevard. The new location needs renovations before the library could move in. The project will include a full interior renovation, parking lot improvements, new landscaping and other new amenities.

Update: Council awarded this project on January 8, 2025, to SC Builders. The contractor has started the second order of work which includes all the construction activities. Construction completion is anticipated in the summer of 2026.

ATTACHMENT B

UPCOMING FORUMS AND OUTREACH EVENTS

Updated as of Wednesday, August 13, 2025

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Dive-In Move	August 15 4 p.m.	Elk Grove Aquatics Center 9701 Big Horn Blvd
Latin Dance Night	August 15 6 p.m.	Old Town Plaza 9015 Railroad Street
Trails Committee Meeting	August 18 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Diversity & Inclusion Commission Meeting	August 19 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
SacRT Transit Idea Exchange Workshop	August 19 6 p.m.	District56 8230 Civic Center Drive
Community Meeting: Future Homeless Shelter	August 20 5:30 p.m.	Elk Grove Library 8900 Elk Grove Blvd.
Disability Advisory Committee Meeting	August 20 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Planning Commission Meeting	August 21 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Raise the Barn Banquet	August 22 6 p.m.	District56 8230 Civic Center Drive
<i>Council Meeting – CANCELED</i>	<i>August 27</i>	
Diversity Month Tahitian Dance Class	September 2 6 p.m.	Albani Recreation Center 8830 Sharkey Avenue
Planning Commission	September 4 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Diversity Month Diversity Dining Week	September 5-14	Various Locations
Diversity Month Metalachi Madness	September 7 5 p.m.	District56 8230 Civic Center Drive
Historical Preservation Committee	September 8 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Youth Commission Meeting	September 9 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Diversity Month Tahitian Dance Class	September 9 6 p.m.	Albani Recreation Center 8830 Sharkey Avenue
City Council Meeting	September 10 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way

ATTACHMENT C

STATUS OF COUNCIL DIRECTION/FOLLOW UP MATTERS

Updated as of Wednesday, August 13, 2025

The following is a status report of matters requested by the City Council during prior Council meetings.

Date	Direction/Follow Up	Status
6/12/24	Bring back a discussion of potential service rate reductions/discounts/benefits for residents with limited means that may benefit from financial assistance.	This item was heard on May 14, 2025. Program areas selected will return to Council as they are ready for budget adjustments or further discussion and direction.
2/20/25	Explore options for enhancing engagement and programming targeting youth. Can we pay our youth who participate? Explore potential ideas.	Staff is preparing this item for a future meeting.
2/20/25	Explore options for supporting employees with childcare needs.	Staff is preparing this item for a future meeting.
2/20/25	Would like an item returned regarding having a discussion of exploring a Pro-Housing designation.	Staff is preparing this item for a future meeting.
7/23/25	Provide an Emergency Preparedness Update related to Flooding and Flood Preparedness.	This item is tentatively planned to return to Council in October.