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To: Mayor and City Council

From: Jason Behrmann, City Manager

**Subject: City Manager's General Administrative Report for October 8, 2025**

### **New Online Resource for Immigrants Now Available**

A new online information and resource page has been created to support immigrants in our community. The page highlights the City's commitment to maintaining a safe and inclusive Elk Grove, outlines our role in immigration enforcement, and provides links to prior statements, community diversity statistics, FAQs, and community resources such as the Sacramento FUEL Network. It also includes information about our Charter for Compassion and an FAQ section that provides a link for community members to learn more about "Know Your Rights." For more information, please visit [elkgrove.gov](http://elkgrove.gov).

### **Award Announcement**

The City has been recognized by Polco as a Top Performer in the Best in Governance Awards. The award recognizes the City's transformation in Education, Arts and Culture based on what residents reported in the National Community Survey. Only five communities across the country received this distinction, placing Elk Grove in truly elite company. We're proud to celebrate this achievement with our community.

### **Walk With Us**

More than 60% of Elk Grove youth say mental health is the top need in our community. That's why the Youth Commission is launching a new event. Walk with us on the Path to Positivity, a walk and picnic for youth mental wellness, this Saturday (October 11) starting at 9:30 a.m. at Hilma Colton Park (9410 Laguna Springs Drive). Students are encouraged to grab a friend and join this free event to gain new resources, meet therapy animals, and connect with friends and the community.

### **It's Homecoming Season at the Animal Shelter**

The Elk Grove Animal Shelter is celebrating homecoming season by waiving adoption fees through Wednesday, October 15. Find your "forever" homecoming date among the adoptable animals at the Elk Grove Animal Shelter. Visit the shelter Tuesday through Sunday from Noon to 6 p.m. at 9150 Union Park Way or view adoptable pets online from the city's website.

### **Marching Bands Take to the Streets**

High school marching bands from throughout northern California will converge on Elk Grove streets and school sites this Saturday (October 11) to compete in the Franklin High School Invitational Band Review. To accommodate the event, road closures and alternative routes around the event will be in place between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Motorists are encouraged to plan accordingly. The Franklin High School Invitational Band Review is the primary fundraising event for the Franklin High School band program. The City of Elk Grove is among the major event sponsors.

### **25th Anniversary Photo Contest Update**

We're excited to share that the City's 25th Anniversary Photo Contest received over 100 submissions from talented community members. The Arts and Creative Economy Subcommittee has carefully reviewed all the entries and selected the finalists. Finalists will be featured on the City's website and residents will soon be invited to take part in voting for their favorite photo. The winners will be unveiled at the Elk Grove Fine Arts Center during a special reception on Saturday, November 8. Everyone is invited. More information on voting opportunities and the unveiling event will be released soon.

### **Help Shape the Future Homeless Shelter Site**

The City is planning a permanent homeless shelter and is asking for community input on what matters most when choosing a location. A short online survey is open now through next Friday, October 17. Residents are asked to rank key site selection criteria. Community feedback will guide how potential locations are evaluated and ensure the project reflects community values. Visit the city's website to participate.

### **Celebrate Diwali**

The USA Sanatan Sports & Cultural Association will host an enchanting evening of dance, fashion, music, and food in celebration of Diwali next Monday, October 13 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at District56 (9701 Big Horn Blvd). This magical evening celebrates the power of light over darkness and good over evil. This event is free to attend and open to all ages. The City of Elk Grove is among the event sponsors.

### **Seasonal Compost Corner**

Just in time for fall planting, the City's Recycling & Waste team has launched a new Compost Corner at Elk Grove Park (9950 Elk Grove-Florin Road). Elk Grove residents can pick up free compost at a self-serve station located in the parking lot at Elk Grove-Florin Road and East Stockton Boulevard during normal park hours starting this Friday, October 10, until the weather turns for winter. This is a self-serve station. Residents are encouraged to bring their own shovel and containers. Those materials are not provided. Supplies are limited but will be replenished weekly, weather permitting.

I am available to answer any questions regarding this report.

## ATTACHMENT A

### STANDING CITYWIDE INITIATIVES UPDATE *Updated as of Wednesday, October 8, 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. A Notice of Decision to Appraise was sent to the full acquisition property and an appraisal inspection has been completed.

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, October 8, 2025*

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Free Pet Adoptions	October 9-15 12/Noon – 6 p.m.	Elk Grove Animal Shelter 9150 Union Park Way
Franklin High School Invitational Band Review	October 11 8 a.m.	Franklin High Boulevard
Tire Collection Event	October 11-15 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Special Waste Collection Center 9255 Disposal Lane
Youth Commission Walk With Us	October 11 9:30 a.m.	Hilma Colton Park 9410 Laguna Springs Drive
Dia De Los Muertos	October 12 1 p.m.	Old Town Plaza 9615 Railroad Street
Historic Preservation Committee	October 13 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Diwali Festival of Light	October 13 6 p.m.	District56 8230 Civic Center Drive
Youth Commission	October 14 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Disability Advisory Committee	October 15 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Planning Commission	October 16 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Pool of Pumpkins	October 18 1 p.m.	Elk Grove Aquatics Center 9701 Big Horn Boulevard
Sari Sari Night Market	October 18 4 p.m.	Laguna Town Hall 3020 Renwick Avenue
Trails Committee	October 20 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
Diversity and Inclusion Commission	October 21 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way
City Council Meeting	October 22 6 p.m.	Council Chambers 8400 Laguna Palms Way

## ATTACHMENT C

### STATUS OF COUNCIL DIRECTION/FOLLOW UP MATTERS

Updated as of Wednesday, October 8, 2025

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

<b>Date</b>	<b>Direction/Follow Up</b>	<b>Status</b>
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 tentatively planning to return this item for Council discussion and consideration on October 22.
2/20/25	Explore options for supporting employees with childcare needs.	Staff is preparing this item for a future meeting this fall.
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.
9/10/25	Would like an item returned regarding electric vehicles (bikes, scooters, etc...) and how excessive speed and safety issues are of concern.	Staff is preparing this item for a future meeting.
9/10/25	Would like an item returned regarding data on traffic/parking enforcement near schools throughout the City.	Staff is preparing this item for a future meeting.
9/24/25	Would like a webpage related to resources and information for Immigrants.	This resource page is on the City's website.