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City Administrator Report to Mayor & City Council

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Report

1. Hershey: Langman was here this morning, but is taking a rain day today. They are making good progress on West Third, above Green Street. They are up to a point between 913 and 919 West 3rd with the sanitary sewer. The storm sewer is not far behind that point. Right now it appears they could have worked. Theradar did look different earlier though; and they would have a messy problem if it kept raining with the temporary connections they have in place. Kudos and a big thank you to the City Emergency staff for help over the weekend. One of the residents had to get home from the hospital on Saturday. After talking with Melissa, at the Police Dispatcher's post, a "Public Assist" was arranged to help get the person home. This was a necessity due to a lack of mobility of the patient, the steep grade on the street, and about 20 stair-steps up to the house. Thanks again for your help. Heuer has been pouring driveways and alleys on West 3rd, below Green Street. The Qwest subcontractor was here last week, and completed work on the vault on West 3rd. They now have a strong and secure replacement structure in place of the old brick structure. Ilowa is set to overlay Elm Street this week, if Stych gets the private concrete work completed. Let me know if you have comments or questions. Denny Kistenmacher, City Project Manager
2. Spring Cleanup: 2011 Spring Clean Up week collected 525.89 tons of waste or 35.28 tons less waste compared to 2010 at a cost of \$81,064. Please see 2011 Liegois Spring Cleanup Report (Emailed 6/23/2011) for full details.
3. ESI: The City finally received a payment from ESI last Friday for \$19,393.62 bringing the balance to \$482,158.77. We had asked for a minimum of \$30,000 and ESI indicated that we would have the balance of the \$30,000 by the end of the month.
4. Mad Creek: We have had some recent success working with the rail road to get the construction agreement, easements, and purchase agreement wrapped up in time to meet Army Corp requirements to get the project bid by June 30th (and preserve funding). The RR has indicated that we should have the documents early next week. The City Council will be able to action the at our July 7th meeting with closing to follow shortly thereafter. We appreciate the assistance of Heinz, HON, and especially Muscatine Foods and Councilmember Shihadeh for their assistance in contacting the RR and helping them understand the importance of this project.
5. Meetings: Chamber, United Way
6. Vacation: Our family vacation is planned for the second half of July. Starting July 15th we will be heading our East to visit family. I will of course be available by email and cell. Randy Hill will be assisting me in my absence.

"I remember Muscatine for its sunsets. I have never seen any on either side of the ocean that equaled them" — Mark Twain

