



JANUARY 19, 2024

# WEEKLY REPORT

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TO: MAYOR MITCHELL AND COUNCIL MEMBERS  
FROM: CITY MANAGER BRYAN LANGLEY

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## I. COUNCIL SCHEDULE

All meetings will be held at Kyle City Hall Council Chambers, 100 W. Center St. unless otherwise noted. The meeting will be conducted in the council chambers and is also available via live stream on Kyle10.

### **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2024**

COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AT TBD  
COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AT 7 P.M.

### **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2024 - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2024**

COUNCIL VISIONING WORKSHOP,  
HYATT REGENCY LOST PINES RESORT AND SPA, BASTROP, TX

### **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024**

COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AT TBD  
COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AT 7 P.M.

## II. CITY WINTER WEATHER RESPONSE

Staff Contact: Will Paiz-Tabash

During the Arctic Cold Front that swept through our region Jan. 12-18 the City of Kyle took the following action to prepare for below-average freezing temperatures.

The City was prepared to activate warming centers at the Krug Activity Center and Kyle Public Library in the event of power outages. In the event of prolonged, widespread power outages, the City was in community with Hays County Office of Emergency Services to activate County Shelters. Notifications were also posted about an available cold-weather shelter at the Southside Community Center in San Marcos.

Winter weather updates were communicated through our Regional Notification System and frequently posted to our social media channels and website as conditions changed. Overall City of Kyle staff shared winter weather advisories, hard freeze warnings, winter storm warnings, two energy conservation appeals from ERCOT, and notice that city offices would open as usual on Tuesday, Jan. 16 following Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Additionally, staff shared event schedule changes to [CityofKyle.com/Winter](https://www.cityofkyle.com/Winter) and on social media.

We thank our residents for taking action to protect their families and homes. The best time to prepare for the next weather event, emergency or disaster is now.

We encourage everyone to take the following action to make sure they are ready today:

- Sign up for [WarnCentralTexas.org](https://WarnCentralTexas.org) to receive accurate & timely local alerts.
- Make a communication plan and a disaster plan for your family.
- Create an emergency supply kit.
- Register those in need of additional assistance for the free State of Texas Emergency Assistance Registry (STEAR) Program.

For more information, visit [CityofKyle.com/Emergency](https://www.cityofkyle.com/Emergency).



### III. CIP/ROAD PROJECT UPDATES

Staff Contact: Leon Barba

#### FM 110 Waterline:

- Construction crews did not work Monday and Tuesday due to below freezing conditions
- Boring machine completed bore across FM 110 near Goforth
- Next bore to start going across Goforth Road
- Pipe installation continuing on the north side of FM 110



#### Indian Paintbrush Lift Station:

- Based on pay request, overall progress is 91%
- Decommissioning of the existing lift station and manholes is progressing steadily

#### Dacy Lane Improvements:

- SUP from Bebee to Amberwood Loop is complete
- Decorative street lights are in and functional
- Signal lights at Bebee will be set to all flashing for 2 weeks
- Final paving to start on Jan 29 and be completed in 4 days, with final striping to start immediately.
- Final product to be completed by second week of February, weather permitting.



### IV. CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS

Council requests from the dais will be documented in the Friday Report until completion.

Item No.	Date of Request	Request	Status
1	6/20/23	Google Fiber Right of Way Agreement	Tentatively scheduled for January/February 2024
2	6/23-25/23	Demolition of current Kyle Police Department on Front Street; Buildings at 300 W. Center; and VFW Building on Front Street	Company selected for demolition at 11/14/23 Meeting; Demolition expected to begin mid-January
3	6/23-25/23	Engage Architect/Design Consultant for Concept Plan for Downtown Area	Assigned to Economic Development Director; Design Firm selected, presentation planned for February 2024
4	6/23-25/23	Pursue land acquisition for public parkland	Winter 2024
5	6/23-25/23	Combined facility Senior Center/Library/Rec Center feasibility	Discussion scheduled for Council Visioning Workshop February 9-11, 2024
6	6/23-25/23	Consider potential expansion to Goforth to connect northern and southern portions of Goforth to accommodate a grocery store	Assigned to Leon Barba; Staff to develop a plan to consider by Winter 2024; Funding in the budget to design extension of Goforth, water and wastewater utilities
7	8/15/23	Water Conservation Programs	City Council asked P&Z to look at amendments to the landscaping requirements Spring 2024
8	9/5/23	Direct Staff to bring back amendments to the nuisance ordinance	Assigned to Chief Barnett
9	10/2/23	Direct the city manager and staff to provide an update to the sidewalk master plan	Spring 2024
10	11/20/23	Direct staff to bring back a Property Improvement Program and also to look for potential grants to fund some of the budget for this potential program	Assigned to Kelly Stilwell Spring 2024

## CITY COUNCIL REQUESTS CONTINUED

Item No.	Date of Request	Request	Status
11	12/5/23	Request for Proposal (RFP) to provide additional mental health services through a cooperative agreement between the City, County, and any private partners that are identified	RFP to be released January 8, 2024
12	12/5/23	Bring back Contract for design for the Sportsplex project with Stantec	Assigned to Jerry Hendrix. January/February 2024
13	12/19/23	Bring back Small Business Launchpad Initiative	Assigned to Victoria Vargas; February 2024
14	1/2/24	Roundabout/Traffic Signal at Dacy & Bunton Creek	Additional information will be brought forward February 2024
15	1/2/24	Radio Station	Complete
16	1/16/24	Comprehensive Review of Parking Analysis as well as the permitting around usage at Waterleaf	Assigned to Mariana Espinoza; March 2024
17	1/16/24	Plans and procedures to follow during emergency weather events	Assigned to Jeff Barnett; February 6, 2024

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January 14<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>, 2024

## WEEKLY UPDATES:

Trails Division	Recreation Division	Park & Ballfield Maintenance Division	Beautification Division	Special Events Division
<p>Welcomed three new Trail Maintenance Employees.</p> <p>Mowed Bunton Reserve.</p> <p>Mowed the Plum Creek Trail.</p> <p>Completed preventative maintenance training.</p>	<p>Hosted a One-Day hiring event for seasonal staff, hosted interviews and put up seasonal hiring banners.</p> <p>Hosted a KAYAC meeting.</p> <p>Hosted Senior Bingo</p> <p>Seeked sponsorships for special events.</p> <p>Worked on a budget for inclusive and adaptive programming.</p> <p>Planned for the Valentines Dance for Individuals with Disabilities.</p> <p>Worked on planning Easter and Market Days.</p>	<p>Winter freeze preparations at all ballfields.</p> <p>Routine maintenance.</p>	<p>Removed a tree that fell down at New Bridge.</p> <p>Mowed Old Bridge.</p> <p>Removed a Christmas Tree on the frontage road of Philomena.</p>	<p>Attended Year 2 of Special Event Management School.</p>

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR: <https://teamsideline.com/kyle>

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## 2024 Valentines Dance for Individuals with Disabilities

February 9, 2023

At the Gem Stone Palace

5:30-8:00 p.m.

### Adult Kickball League

Registration is open now. League starts March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Games played at Gregg-Clarke Park

\$325.00/team

### Adult Softball League

Registration is open now. League starts March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Games played at Gregg-Clarke Park

\$325.00/team

### Youth Basketball League

Registration is open now. League starts February 13<sup>th</sup>.

Games played at Valor Kyle

\$50-75/athlete



## Welcome, Miranda!

Miranda is the Parks and Recreation Department's new Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist. Miranda will program, implement, and evaluate inclusive and adaptive programs and events for the Parks and Recreation Department. Welcome, Miranda!

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MAY 17<sup>TH</sup>-19<sup>TH</sup>

SEEKING SPONSORSHIPS

To be a sponsor of the 2024 Kyle Fair, contact:

Claudia Rocha

Special Event Manager

[crocha@cityofkyle.com](mailto:crocha@cityofkyle.com) 512-262-3939



# KYLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

# CHECK IT OUT!



## Meet our new Outreach Librarian: Jesus Hernandez

Jesus is a public librarian from Uvalde, Texas. He was born in the Texas panhandle and he was raised across the United States, which inspired his passion for making connections. Since graduating with a master's degree from the University of Texas at Austin's School of Information, Jesus has held positions in both academic and public libraries. In his current role as Kyle Public Library's Outreach Librarian, Jesus is sharing his enthusiasm for libraries.



### KYLE PUBLIC LIBRARY OPEN ART STUDIO

January 19th, 3pm-5:30pm  
January 20th, 11:30am-2pm

Come by the library and utilize the art supplies available here to work on art. This event is open to all artists over the age of 5, but it is an ideal opportunity for those that are submitting work to the Colors of Kyle Tiny Art Showcase. The supplies that will be available include acrylic paint, watercolors, charcoal, collage materials, and more.

This event is free.

### THIS WEEKEND IS YOUR LAST CHANCE TO PICK UP A CANVAS FOR THE KYLE PUBLIC LIBRARY COLORS OF KYLE TINY ART SHOWCASE

School-age artists are invited to display their artwork in the library. More info in our posts.

Pick up a canvas from the library, while supplies last, by January 20th.



# AARP TaxAide

Tuesdays, February 6th - April 9th  
1PM - 4PM  
By appointment



Need help filing taxes?

AARP will have representatives available at the library to assist by appointment.

To schedule an appointment, visit:  
<http://tinyurl.com/2tae3swt>

Kyle Public Library  
in partnership with the League of Women Voters

**VOTER REGISTRATION HELP BECAUSE YOUR VOTE MATTERS**

December 19- January 30  
**Tuesdays**  
2pm - 4pm  
**Wednesdays**  
5:30pm - 7:30pm

KYLE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
COMMUNITY ROOMS

- Register to Vote
- Update Voter Record
- Check Voter Status
- Request a Vote-by-Mail
- Find Election Information
- Get Your Questions Answered

## PAGE TURNERS BOOKCLUB

NEXT MEETING 6:45 PM ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 25TH



Now Reading:  
Heaven and Earth Grocery Store  
by James McBride

## SPANISH CLASSES RESUME ON JANUARY 24

ADVANCED CLASSES:  
WEDNESDAYS AT 2 PM  
WEEKLY STARTING JAN 24

BEGINNER CLASSES:  
THURSDAYS AT 5:30 PM  
WEEKLY STARTING JAN 25

FOR TEENS AND ADULTS

## Typewriter Love

10am to 1pm on Saturday,  
February 10th

celebrating love with typewritten notes for the special people (or libraries) in your life



cityofkyle.com/library  
550 scott street, kyle, tx

KYLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

# HANDCRAFTING HOUR

Every 2nd Tuesday  
6:00 PM

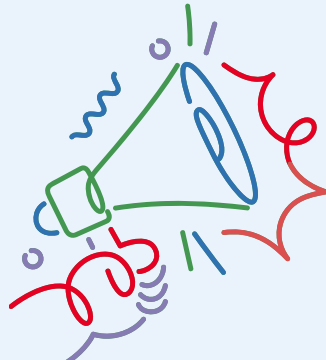
Looking for somewhere to work on your handcrafting hobby in the presence of other hobbyists?

**Handcrafting Hour** is a monthly meeting open to all skill levels and craft types, including but not limited to sewing, embroidery, knitting, crochet, felting, cross-stitch, and more. Stay motivated to work on your project by connecting with others!

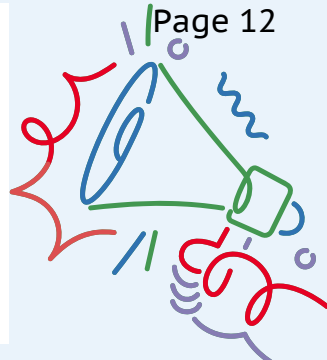
Recommended for ages 12 and up.

**February 13th**





# CITY OF KYLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



## Announcements! Announcements! Announcements!

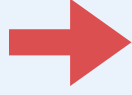
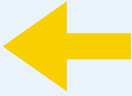
# CAVA

# Now Open!



**CAVA**  
5120 S. FM 1626, Ste 120  
(737) 378-4007

**Pizza Leon Express**  
at the Railhouse  
107 E. Center St  
(512) 262-7456



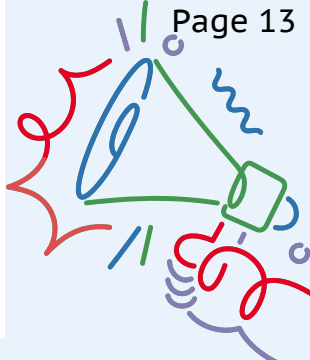
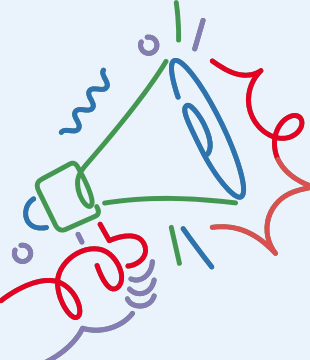
# NEW BUSINESSES COMING SOON:

Click on Logo to go to website

Body 20		5401 FM 1626, Ste 105
Builders FirstSource		23300 IH 35
Children's Lighthouse		1190 Veterans Drive
Crunch Fitness		19167 IH-35
Floyd's 99 Barbershop		Kyle Crossing Phase II
Goddard School		870 Veterans Dr
Poco Loco Super Mercado		1206 North Burleson Rd
Reach Dental		18901 IH-35, Suite 100
Sprouts		FM 1626 & Kohlers Crossing
The Lash Lounge		2255 Kohlers Crossing, Ste 200
The Vitamin Shoppe		2255 Kohlers Crossing, Ste 100




















# CITY OF KYLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



## Announcements! Announcements! Announcements! RESTAURANTS COMING SOON:

Click on Logo to go to website

Abbott's Frozen Custard		2242 Kohlers Crossing
Bloodworth BBQ		210 W. Center St
Chick-fil-A		2211 Kohlers Crossing
El Pollo Rico		1320 Bebee Road
HteaO		2266 Kohlers Crossing
Mighty Fine Burgers, Fries, & Shakes		19460 IH 35
Nothing Bundt Cakes		Kyle Crossing Phase II
Pho with Us		2255 Kohlers Crossing, Ste 400
Pollo Regio		21565 IH-35
Rudy's Bar-B-Q		5767 Kyle Parkway
Sharks Burger		18915 IH-35, Suite
Snooze		5140 S. FM 1626
Texas Roadhouse		19073 I-35
Tony C's		2344 Kohlers Crossing
Waffle House		5767 Kyle Parkway
Walk-On's		FM 1626 & Kohlers Crossing
Wingzone		Kyle Crossing Phase II

City of Kyle, Texas  
 City Sales and Use Tax Collection by Month  
 Comparison for FY2023 and FY2024

Collection Month	Actual Receipts Current Year FY 2024	Comparison to Budget FY 2024				Comparison to Last Year FY 2023			
		Budget FY 2024	\$ Variance	% Variance	Sales Tax Rebates 380 Payments	Actual Receipts Last Year FY 2023	\$ Variance	% Variance	Sales Tax Rebates 380 Payments
October	\$ 1,425,969.13	\$ 1,438,523.00	\$ (12,553.87)	-0.87%	\$ 79,646.52	\$ 1,160,979.47	\$ 264,989.66	22.82%	\$ 78,383.57
November	1,599,526.69	1,595,103.00	4,423.69	0.28%	82,046.34	1,495,233.54	104,293.15	6.98%	87,108.76
December	1,385,158.70	1,394,256.00	(9,097.30)	-0.65%	77,297.11	1,306,962.31	78,196.39	5.98%	81,586.10
January	1,423,036.48	1,370,966.00	52,070.48	3.80%	*	1,285,130.02	137,906.46	10.73%	84,386.71
February									
March									
April									
May									
June									
July									
August									
September									
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,833,691.00</b>	<b>\$ 5,798,848.00</b>	<b>\$ 34,843.00</b>	<b>0.60%</b>	<b>\$ 238,989.97</b>	<b>\$ 5,248,305.34</b>	<b>\$ 585,385.66</b>	<b>11.15%</b>	<b>\$ 331,465.14</b>

\* Payment amount is pending



CITY OF KYLE TEXAS  
 REPORT FOR PURCHASING & PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS  
 BETWEEN \$15,000.00 AND \$49,999.99  
 FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2023

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>VENDOR NAME</u>	<u>TRANSACTION REFERENCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1	11/02/23	MOSAIC PUBLIC PARTNERS LLC	000003911	\$ 26,500.00
2	11/02/23	KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES	000003912	\$ 15,750.00
3	11/03/23	CHRISTMAS DESIGNERS.COM	000003917	\$ 17,520.00
4	11/03/23	AFMA INC	000003941	\$ 48,102.95
5	11/08/23	BH SKATING PARKS LLC	000003913	\$ 49,749.00
6	11/08/23	HDR ENGINEERING INC	000003914	\$ 40,000.00
7	11/08/23	ZENCITY TECHNOLOGIES US INC	000003915	\$ 26,999.00
8	11/16/23	AFFION PUBLIC LLC	000003946	\$ 26,000.00
9	11/17/23	LOWER COLORADO RIVER AUTHORITY	000003932	\$ 22,902.17
10	11/20/23	THE BRANDT COMPANIES LLC	000003923	\$ 15,194.16
11	11/28/23	RAFTELIS FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS	000003938	\$ 24,500.00
12	11/03/23	ASPHALT INC LLP	634288	\$ 17,692.75
13	11/03/23	ECS SOUTHWEST LP	634300	\$ 15,120.56
14	11/03/23	TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL	634312	\$ 28,583.78
15	11/08/23	AMAZON	634320	\$ 18,774.75
16	11/08/23	SHI GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS INC	634366	\$ 17,970.01
17	11/08/23	KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES	634392	\$ 15,750.00
18	11/14/23	BH SKATING PARKS LLC	634416	\$ 49,749.00
19	11/14/23	ILLUMINATION HOLIDAY LIGHTING LLC	634445	\$ 29,679.00
20	11/14/23	ASPHALT INC LLP	634475	\$ 23,200.00
21	11/14/23	CLOSNER EQUIPMENT CO INC	634481	\$ 30,571.00
22	11/14/23	MAGNUM TRAILERS FACTORY OUTLET	634493	\$ 21,318.00
23	11/14/23	THIRKETTLE CORP	634505	\$ 25,532.00
24	11/20/23	ABC PEST CONTROL INC OF AUSTIN	634509	\$ 30,955.50
25	11/22/23	SETON FAMILY OF HOSPITALS	634581	\$ 48,429.74
26	11/22/23	ATS ENGINEERS INSPECTORS & SURVEYORS	634591	\$ 17,195.00
27	11/29/23	CEDAR HILLS CONSTRUCTION	634686	\$ 38,801.80
28	11/29/23	LJA ENGINEERING INC	634695	\$ 32,846.19
29	11/29/23	WASTEWATER TRANSPORT SERVICES LLC	634704	\$ 38,950.00
			TOTAL:	<u>\$ 814,336.36</u>

CITY OF KYLE TEXAS  
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 BETWEEN \$15,000.00 AND \$49,999.99  
 FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2023

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>VENDOR NAME</u>	<u>TRANSACTION REFERENCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1	12/13/23	ROADWAY PRODUCTIONS	000003949	\$ 17,013.00
2	12/01/23	ASPHALT INC LLP	634706	\$ 20,018.35
3	12/01/23	BRIGHTVIEW LANDSCAPE SERVICES	634709	\$ 24,806.11
4	12/01/23	KENT A SICK	634723	\$ 48,102.95
5	12/01/23	THIRKETTLE CORP	634734	\$ 20,715.56
6	12/06/23	AMAZON	634760	\$ 16,920.63
7	12/11/23	COBB, FENDLEY & ASSOCIATES INC	634850	\$ 28,501.80
8	12/11/23	FAZZONE BUILDERS INC	634857	\$ 18,567.04
9	12/11/23	KCI TECHNOLOGIES INC	634869	\$ 23,535.00
10	12/11/23	LIONHEART PLACES LLC	634872	\$ 49,900.00
11	12/13/23	RPS INFRASTRUCTURE INC	634921	\$ 33,436.20
12	12/13/23	ZENCITY TECHNOLOGIES US INC	634924	\$ 26,999.00
13	12/15/23	ATS ENGINEERS INSPECTORS & SURVEYORS	634930	\$ 17,570.00
14	12/15/23	INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS INFORMATION	634954	\$ 17,081.20
15	12/21/24	AMAZON	634980	\$ 32,357.16
16	12/21/24	BRIGHTWATCH LLC	634991	\$ 48,645.60
17	12/22/23	ASPHALT INC LLP	635052	\$ 35,819.00
18	12/22/23	BARTON SPRINGS/EDWARDS AQUIFER	635054	\$ 29,212.50
19	12/22/23	CAVENDER'S STORE LTD	635060	\$ 18,919.83
20	12/22/23	COBB, FENDLEY & ASSOCIATES INC	635075	\$ 18,831.19
21	12/22/23	DP2 BILLING SOLUTION	635087	\$ 21,123.36
22	12/22/23	LOCKWOOD, ANDREWS & NEWMAN INC	635116	\$ 35,719.53
23	12/22/23	SETON FAMILY OF HOSPITALS	635135	\$ 46,544.36
24	12/22/23	THE BRANDT COMPANIES	635143	\$ 20,964.60
			TOTAL:	<u>\$ 671,303.97</u>



**2022 Bond Program**

**Weekly Project Status Report Updated: 1/17/2024**



Project ID	Council District	Project Name	Project Status	Contract (Task Order) Amount	\$ Paid to Date As of 11/30/23	% of Contract paid to Date	Project Descriptions
<b>In Design</b>							
1a	6	Kohlers to Seton (IH 35)	16% Complete schematic Phase. <b>Conceptual Schematic due 3/28/2024.</b> Project currently on hold, pending the DCC meeting with TxDOT to be scheduled.	\$ 2,158,287.27	\$193,800.42	9.0%	New location roadway, 0.13 miles of overpass or underpass from IH 35 SBFR to NBFR
1b	6	Kohlers to Seton (off-system)	<b>100% Complete schematic Phase. 100% Geometric Schematic approved on 12/18/2023.</b>	\$ 1,111,850.28	\$797,717.17	71.7%	New location roadway, 1.07 miles of 4-lane minor arterial and 3-lane collector from IH 35 NBFR to Seton Pkwy
2a	6	Beebe Road (West)	<b>100% Complete schematic Phase. 100% Schematic approved on 1/4/2024.</b>	\$ 515,855.55	\$296,706.34	57.5%	New location and reconstruction/widen roadway, 1 mile of 4-lane minor arterial from IH 35 NBFR to Dacy Lane
2b	6	Beebe Road (East)	<b>100% Complete schematic Phase. 100% Schematic approved on 1/4/2024.</b>	\$ 811,321.88	\$540,899.14	66.7%	New location and reconstruction/widen roadway, 1.8 miles of 4-lane minor arterial from Dacy Ln to E. of Green Pastures Rd
3	2, 4	Old Stagecoach Road/Center Street (Off-System)	<b>40% Complete Schematic Phase. 50% Preliminary Schematic due 1/18/2024.</b>	\$ 1,067,346.60	\$168,174.94	15.8%	Reconstruction/widen existing roadway, 2.2 miles of 4-lane minor arterial from FM 2770 to Veterans Dr
4a	2, 4	Center Street (FM 150) (On-System)	<b>40% Complete Schematic Phase. 50% Schematic under review pending the DCC meeting with TxDOT (to be scheduled).</b> Project currently on hold.	\$ 488,657.77	\$395,915.87	81.0%	Reconstruction/widen existing roadway, 0.4 miles of 2-3 lane minor collector from Veterans Dr to Main St
4b	2, 4	Jack C Hays Tr	<b>Baseline schedule required. 50% Schematic due 1/30/2024.</b>	\$ 450,567.75	\$105,381.50	23.4%	Reconstruction/widen existing roadway, 0.4 miles of 2-3 lane minor collector from Veterans Dr to Main St
5	6	Kyle Parkway/Lehman Road Extension	<b>40% Complete PS&amp;E Phase. 60% PS&amp;E due 8/15/2024 (delayed from 5/18/2024).</b>	\$ 2,794,679.68	\$658,565.39	23.6%	New location roadway, 1.3 miles of 4-lane minor arterial from Dacy Ln to Bunton Creek Rd
6	6	Marketplace Avenue	<b>65% Complete PS&amp;E phase. Partial 90% PS&amp;E design due 2/9/2024.</b>	\$ 781,960.00	\$353,425.53	45.2%	New location and reconstruction/widen roadway, 0.6 miles of 4-lane minor arterial from FM 1626 to Marketplace Ave (Existing)
7	2, 6	Bunton Creek Road	<b>100% Complete schematic Phase. 100% Schematic was approved on 1/9/2024.</b>	\$ 947,810.00	\$577,717.90	61.0%	Reconstruction/widen existing roadway, 1.2 miles of 4 lane minor arterial from Lehman Rd to Porter Cove
8	6	Windy Hill Road	<b>85% Complete schematic phase. 100% Schematic due 1/19/2024.</b>	\$ 654,882.90	\$469,515.17	71.7%	Reconstruction/widen existing roadway, 0.6 miles of 4 lane minor arterial Purple Martin Ave to IH 35 NBFR
				\$ 11,783,219.68	<b>\$4,557,819.37</b>	<b>38.68%</b>	

## M E M O R A N D U M

January 12, 2024

**To:** City of Kyle  
**From:** Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP  
**Re:** Akin's Report of Activity for December 2023

Throughout December, Akin monitored congressional action on appropriations bills as Congress was trying to complete that process which was originally scheduled to be completed by October 1. Moreover, Jamie Tucker and Jose Borjon visited the City of Kyle to discuss its priorities in 2024 meeting with member of City Council and City Staff. Finally, this memorandum outlines federal funding opportunities that may be of interest to the City.

**Congressional Updates**

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***Appropriations***

Following the congressional recess for the holidays, lawmakers are tasked with passing individual appropriations bills just ten days after their return in January 2024. As previously reported, the “laddered” continuing resolution (CR) extends the Agriculture; Energy and Water; Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development appropriations bills through January 19 and the remaining eight measures—Commerce, Justice, and Science; Defense; Financial Services and General Government; Homeland Security; Interior and Environment; Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education; Legislative Branch through February 2. The Senate’s 12 appropriations bills largely conform to bipartisan language in the *Fiscal Responsibility Act* ([P.L. 118-5](#); FRA). House Republicans, however, pursued legislation to cut spending by an additional \$100 billion relative to the FRA’s language and previously passed only seven of the 12 individual appropriations bills. With the tight timeline ahead and no agreement on topline spending numbers, it is expected that there will be a partial government shutdown on January 19 and a full government shutdown on February 2.

***National Defense Authorization Act***

After overwhelming support for the bill in the House and Senate, President Joe Biden signed the *National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024* ([P.L. 118-31](#); NDAA) on December 22, 2023. The House largely acquiesced to the Senate’s language to clear the must-pass piece of legislation.

***Federal Aviation Administration Reauthorization***

As anticipated the House and Senate greenlit the *Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2023, Part II (H.R. 6503)*—which is a clean extension of the Federal Aviation Administration’s authority through March 8, 2024—with bipartisan support. Committee leadership reiterated its commitment to passing a long-term FAA reauthorization as soon as possible. Of note, [Transportation](#) and Infrastructure Chair Sam Graves (R-MO) and Ranking Member Rick Larsen (D-WA) continue to apply pressure on the Senate to move on their iteration of the bill.

## **Agency Updates**

### ***U.S. Department of Transportation***

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On December 20, the Department of Transportation (DOT) opened [applications](#) for \$9.7 billion in multi-year funding through the competitive Bridge Investment Program’s planning and bridge project categories. This grant seeks to fund bridge planning, repair, and replacement projects under \$100 million. Funded through the *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117-58; IRA)*, the program may support activities related to planning; feasibility analyses; revenue forecasting related to the development of a project; bridge replacement, rehabilitation, and preservation; and protection efforts. As per the [notice of funding opportunity](#), the FY 23 and FY 24 planning application deadline is February 19, 2024, and the FY 23 and FY 24 bridge project application deadline is March 19, 2024.

On December 19, the DOT [released](#) the 11<sup>th</sup> edition of the [Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways](#), which served as “the national standard for traffic signs, signals, and pavement markings to ensure a uniform and predictable environment for people who walk, bike, and drive.” While the update reflects the most recent iteration of the manual in over a decade, the IJA requires updates to the manual every four years.

On December 1, the DOT [announced](#) the availability of \$343 million in federal funding through the All Stations Accessibility Program. This grant aims to increase access for people with disabilities and mobility needs to rail transit systems through essential upgrades. Applications are due by January 30, 2024.

### ***U.S. Department of Energy***

On December 18, the Department of Energy (DOE) [announced](#) the availability of up to \$540 million in technical assistance competitive grants through the [Latest and Zero Building Energy Codes](#) funding opportunity. The grant program seeks to assist states, territories, and local governments in adopting and implementing the latest model energy codes, zero energy codes, building performance standards, and innovative codes that mirror energy savings to the latest model and zero energy codes. States, territories, and local governments with the authority to adopt building codes must submit brief concept papers by February 9, 2024, and full applications are due on April 30, 2024.

Akin is available to address any questions or discuss relevant federal action at the City of Kyle’s request.