City Talk for Aug. 10, 2022 Public Works Department

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Improvement projects coming up

With the city of Sedona fiscal year ending on June 30, 2022 the city recently started the new 2023 fiscal year. This means some city projects continue moving forward and some new projects will begin.

I thought it may be helpful for residents to see the project list the city's Public Works Department is working from. Current city projects in process that will continue include:

Parks Projects

- Playground improvements at Posse Grounds Park, set to open in September/October
- The build-out of Ranger Station Park that will happen over the next three years

Police Projects

• Police Department facility renovation, set to open this fall

Storm Drainage Projects

• Back O' Beyond improvements

Streets Projects

- Uptown northbound State Route (SR) 89A improvements design (as part of Sedona in Motion (SIM))
- Uptown parking garage design and construction (SIM)
- Pedestrian crossing at Oak Creek construction (SIM)
- Portal-Brewer connection design (SIM)
- Forest Road connection construction (SIM)
- Los Abrigados to Brewer connection construction (SIM)
- Brewer-Ranger intersection construction (SIM)
- Bicycle and pedestrian improvements six shared use path or sidewalk design and construction projects (SIM)
- Travel information sign development (SIM)
- Shelby Drive roadway improvements and shared use path construction
- Forest-Ranger-SR 89A intersection design

Transit Projects

- Transit Hub Facility design
- Transit Maintenance and Operations Facility design

Wastewater Projects

- Major lift station upgrades
- Juniper Trail sewer extension
- Wastewater Reclamation Plant Area 4 Valve Vault upgrades

The following are new city projects that will begin this fiscal year:

Parks Projects

Pickleball courts at Posse Grounds Park construction

Other Projects

- Art in four roundabouts on SR 179 installation
- City court remodel build out

Storm Drainage Projects

• Schnebly and Grove drainage improvements in Uptown

Sustainability Projects

Posse Grounds Park solar lighting installation

Streets Projects

- Ranger/SR 179 intersection improvements design (SIM)
- Harmony Shared Use Path and Drainage Improvements Project public outreach and design (SIM)

Public Works

• Sign shop upgrade, which will allow the city to construct our own signs at the City Maintenance Yard

Transit Projects

- Microtransit bus acquisition and launch (SIM)
- West Sedona intercept parking lot build out (SIM)

Wastewater Projects

- Wastewater Collection System improvements
- Supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) system and configuration upgrade
- Wastewater Reclamation Plant treatment process upgrades

The SIM projects were recommended by the 2018 Transportation Master Plan to help improve traffic flow and reduce congestion.

These projects do not include future year projects, beyond the current fiscal year. The current proposed budget document, for fiscal year 2023 includes projects programed for fiscal years 2024 and 2025. It also includes future year projects, beyond fiscal year 2025. These are projects identified and prioritized in city master plan documents.

Many of these projects are essential to improving health and safety, quality of life, and efficiency of traffic flow, and support the City Council's priority list for this fiscal year and the Community Plan. They're budgeted as part of our year-long budget planning process, which includes many forms of public input like targeted citizen input, informal discussions and emails between residents and City Councilors, and official public hearings.

As you can see, the list is long and extensive, which is why projects may start in one fiscal year and end in another. It's a big list, but the Public Works Department is up for the challenge!

For more information on city capital improvement projects, please visit this webpage: www.sedonaaz.gov/cip.