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**Subject:** City Council Update

There are action items for both the YMA agenda and the City Council agenda tomorrow evening. The first action item is under the YMA agenda. You are being asked to consider the purchase of a street sweeper. The funding for the purchase of the sweeper will come from storm water funds with the operation and maintenance funded through the Street Department of the General Fund. The total purchase price is \$159,950 with a \$80,000 down payment and a lease purchase in the amount of \$79,950 for four years at 2.75%. In the last year I have heard much about the need to have an operating street sweeper. Our old unit has not operated for several years and it shows. Our plan is to have one full time driver that will go to work sometime around 4:00 AM (this can change with more information). The work day would be broken into three segments. Main Street first (before cars park on the street), residential second (after the cars have left the curbs to go to work), and then the arterial streets (after rush hour).

The first action item for the City Council is to affirm the action the YMA for the purchase of a street sweeper. The second action item is to consider the purchase of new audio/video equipment to replace the current equipment in Centennial Hall. The total purchase price is \$38,650. We would utilize our existing line of credit with YNB to purchase the equipment at 2% apr. The current equipment is the original equipment installed when the building was remodeled for its current purpose. It has served the City well but now has reached the end of its useful life.

I am very excited to present to you for your consideration an agreement with the University of Oklahoma School of Architecture to assist us in developing a plan for the revitalization of Main Street. The cost of this graduate level, multi-semester project is \$65,000. We will make periodic payments from the Hotel/Motel Tax Revenue Fund. This is another example where numerous people have mentioned how much they want to proceed with this idea. While OU will lead the initial planning, we will use their work product as a spring board into a community based planning process. A new set of fresh eyes can only help.

The final action item is to consider approving and expenditure from the Capital Improvement Fund for the repair of the dome at City Hall. The cost will be \$23,266. It took us quite some time to locate a contractor that was willing to take on the project. Today it is raining; and the plastic and buckets are covering the center of the lobby. The idea is to enclose the dome with Plexiglas to keep the water from getting to the dome.

Look forward to seeing you.



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