Mayor's Update Meeting 9/6/22

Security/Cameras for City Facilities-Police Chief Steven Abbott

Municipal Building- Improve cameras with additional cameras and angles, investigating incorporating one point of entry for public, swipe system for employees.

City Garage- completing the wiring and will be adding over 20 cameras to the campus

Water Filtration- Has a gate that allows employees to control access to building. Intent to add new cameras.

Water Distribution- Additional cameras will be added to the building.

Wastewater- Has a gate that is open during business hours but is closed and locked after hours. Will be adding additional cameras, as well.

Parks- Little Loop Football area now has operational cameras inside and outside the facility- if you have been vandalizing or stealing from the program, you will now be caught on camera.

New cameras will be added to oversee the community pool. We have transitional cameras that are moved from location to location, as needed.

Reviewing lighting in and around city buildings and lots.

Update on Police Department- Chief Abbott shared the annual police department report and fielded questions.

Parks Capital Projects-

Potential for Improvements on the Market Street Trail due to tree roots creating tripping hazards-Rogers Park-Lighting improvements Pickleball-placing them on old tennis courts at Outwater and resurfacing the skate surface at Altro- Skatepark- Greenway Commission concerns with Green Infrastructure and location from the Erie Canal

Budget Process is continuing- Mayor's Budget will be presented to the council and the public in early October. The council will review and adjust, as they see fit, and present a final budget for council vote in November. Health Insurance, Medicare, etc.... are provided with numbers in late October, at this time we use estimates.

Bonding- bonds give cities a tool to raise funds for capital improvement projects that are otherwise not funded by City revenue, such as roads, bridges, bikeways and urban trails and parks. As a result, bonds are typically used to fund capital improvement projects that will serve the community over a long period.

The city will be exiting the state issued bond from the financial receivership of 2015 in 2025. We have held off on many projects and need to consider bonding for improvement projects. We have an opportunity to bond in 2023 and not begin payments until 2025 when the other bond is resolved. Some recommended projects:

Apron/parking lot at Fire Department and City Hall

Salt Shed

City Garage Updates/Additions

Fire- Ladder Truck and an Engine

Police- Upgrades to data systems as well as radio console

Parks- Update/repair community pool and buildings- Add a Splash Pad to the area to the north of the pool- following DOH recommendations for chlorine storage.