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Old Town Wins Award For Being A Great Neighborhood In America



Festive crowd celebrates Old Town winning award.

Old Town Wichita has been designated as one of 10 Great Neighborhoods for 2008 by The American Planning Association's (APA) *Great Places in America* program. The APA program recognizes exceptional planning that results in the creation of communities of lasting value.

"We are thrilled and honored to receive such a prestigious designation," Wichita Mayor Carl Brewer said. "It recognizes the tremendous partnership between the city and the private sector which made the transformation of Old Town possible."

APA singled out Old Town because of Wichita's bold vision, astute and innovative planning and collaborative partnerships that transformed this derelict warehouse and light industrial district into a successful mixed-use quarter.

"The vision and drive to revitalize Old Town came from late Wichita City Manager Chris Cherches, former Mayor Bob Knight and Marketplace Properties developers David Burk, Richard Vliet and others," John Schlegel, Wichita-Sedgwick County Metropolitan Area Planning Director said.

"This designation demonstrates how careful planning, collaboration and vision can come together to create great places like Old Town."



Something Xtra entertains for Old Town celebration.



Mayor Brewer praises Old Town.

To celebrate Old Town's designation as one of 10 "Great Neighborhoods in America," City of Wichita officials and the Old Town Association hosted a communitywide celebration on Friday, Oct. 10, in Old Town Square. The celebration featured a local band and an Old Town video produced by City7, which aired on the Warren Theatre marquee. The guest speakers included Brewer, Knight, Burk and Vliet. A collection of nine Old Town restaurants provided free appetizers.

Commemorative Old Town T-shirts recognizing the "Great Neighborhoods in America" honor were sold at the event.

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Q & A With Doug Kupper

Doug Kupper began his career with the city in January of 2000 as the Director of Park and Recreation. He oversees 6,000 acres, including 107 parks, five golf courses, 82 tennis courts, 11 swimming pools, 10 recreation centers and lots of other recreational sites.



Q The City of Wichita has embraced a Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan. What is this all about?

Why would we make this investment in Wichita's future? To make Wichita one of the nation's most competitive and livable cities – one with a prospering local economy where people choose to live and work, and where world-class enterprises choose to locate. Studies have shown that an enhanced park system can:

- Provide Wichitans and their families easier and more frequent access to varied opportunities for physical activity, which can improve the individual and public health, reduce incidence of chronic disease, and mitigate the spiraling cost of healthcare for families and employers;
- Offer bicyclists and walkers alternative transportation options, which can help relieve traffic congestion and reduce total vehicle emissions;
- Help revitalize neighborhoods and the urban core;
- Help keep kids off the street and redirect their energies in positive ways, which can prevent them from entering the juvenile justice system, thereby reducing criminal justice costs;
- Filter pollutants from the air and water, reduce wasteful storm water runoff, and help prevent expensive flooding, as well as help cool the built environment and absorb carbon dioxide;
- Help Wichita recruit and retain the educated workforce that seeks to locate in communities with varied recreational opportunities, as well as

attract the business enterprises and high-paying jobs that require such a workforce;

- Enhance property values, increase sales tax collections, and increase tourism-related expenditures (shopping, dining, entertainment, etc.).

Let's "Dream in Green" together for the future of Wichita and all those who live, work and play here. As poet and statesman Victor Hugo once said, "There is nothing like a dream to create the future."

Q What is our most underrated feature of Park and Recreation in Wichita?

We have dynamite recreational centers at nine sites, offering:

- Dance programs that target adults, youth, and preschoolers.
- Exercise/Fitness: Fitness activities include aerobics, yoga, Pilates, kickboxing, and weightlifting. Several centers include small weight rooms with scheduled open hours for drop-in use.
- Martial arts training in kung fu, judo, tai chi, tae kwon do, and Chinese boxing. These programs are targeted towards youth and adults.
- Special interest classes that target all age groups and include languages, cooking, finance, and limited arts and crafts instruction.
- Aquatics programs at each of the City's 11 outdoor swimming pools. Programs include recreation swim, swimming lessons, diving lessons, water aerobics, lifeguard training and swim team.
- The Department sponsors special events throughout the year, including a summer concert series, dances, and holiday celebrations. The Department also organizes an annual Summer of Discovery, a 10-week educational licensed day camp which operates at recreation centers around the City.

Q If you had unlimited resources and could try out something new that

Wichita hasn't seen before, what would it be?

Cable water skiing on a manmade lake. No boats needed! It's an activity that has been around for decades, even in states like Florida. The principal is similar to that of a cable T lift at a snow ski resort. The cable can be suspended out over the water and speed and obstacles can be adjusted for the level of water skier or wake-boarder. It is an awesome learning tool for beginners.

Q What's the strangest thing or activity you've ever seen in our parks?

The answer is too X-rated to put in writing! Let it suffice to say the couple took the definition of recreation to a whole other level!

Q What's the most common complaint you hear about Park and Recreation?

No dog parks available!!! Dog parks serve a multitude of needs. They allow for apartment dwellers to exercise and "curb" their dogs. They create a social gathering point for people of like interest and they wear out the most active canine so they won't chew their master's best pair of Prada pumps.

Q What's the most common complaint you hear?

We have GREAT Forestry Crews! When our crews go into a neighborhood to trim or remove trees, they absolutely leave the neighborhood better than they find it and our citizens know it!

Q If you could attend any actual historic event – what event would that be, and what would you be doing there?

I would be a witness to Abraham Lincoln's signing the Emancipation Proclamation. I think this was the single greatest event in our history after declaring our independence from England.

“Walk for Unity”

On Sunday, Oct. 12, Diversity Kansas hosted its annual “Walk for Unity.” More than 50 city employees, family members and friends joined the walk. This year, the City of Wichita was a sponsor and had a team comprised of members of the Wichita Police Department, Water Utilities, and Building Bridges alumni members. More than 1,400 people and a number of their four-legged friends enjoyed the beautiful fall weather and camaraderie of their neighbors.

Diversity Kansas is derived from one of the oldest human rights organizations in the country, formerly known as the National Conference For Community and Justice. NCCJ and now Diversity Kansas promotes inclusion and respect of all cultures and helps fight bigotry, bias and hate.



Members of the City’s “Walk for Unity” team.

Minisa Bridge Rededication



Mayor Brewer and other speakers in front of North High for the Minisa Bridge rededication.

More than 200 people attended the rededication of the Minisa Bridge (13th Street over the Little Arkansas River) on Sept. 23, the 76th anniversary of the dedication of the newly-constructed bridge in 1932.

After 76 years of freeze/thaw cycles, snow and ice treatment, and carrying as many as 17,800 vehicles per day, the structural support for the Minisa bridge was in poor condition. Preliminary work on the \$3 million project began in October 2007, and the bridge was completely closed to traffic in January 2008. To allow students and other pedestrians to cross the river during construction, a temporary low-flow crossing was built north of the bridge. The structural support system was replaced, a new deck and sidewalks built, new lighting installed and the Native American-themed decorations were restored. The end result is a virtually brand-new landmark structure, ready for another 76 years of service.

The North High Madrigals chorus opened the rededication ceremony. Speakers, including Mayor Carl Brewer, Council Member Sharon Fearey, KDOT’s Jerry Younger, Public Works Director Chris Carrier, City Engineer Jim Armour and North High Principal Sherman Padgett, commented on historic aspects of the bridge, and how they influenced the project.

The audience included children of the 1932 North High student body president, whose remarks from the original dedication were copied and distributed at the 2008 event. Also present were many people who donated pre-1950 colored glass needed for aggregate in the colored-concrete decorative elements on the bridge (buffalo, sunflowers, and Native Americans). Area residents, North High alumni, and 13th Street business owners also attended. Each family was presented with a memorial brick from the old bridge deck. At a reception in the Minisa Park recreation center following the remarks, a ‘slide-show’ of the construction process was displayed, accompanied by a recording of “Minisa”, an orchestral piece composed in 1932 for the original dedication.

“People weren’t happy when we had to close the bridge, but that’s what it took to re-build a solid structure while preserving the unique, historic elements,” said Gary Janzen, Public Works Engineering’s Chief Design Engineer. “I think everyone would have to agree that the results are well worth the inconvenience.”

Fire Department Helps Jerry’s Kids

This year marked the 38th year the Wichita Fire Department has participated in the annual Jerry Lewis Telethon. The department conducted its “Fill the Boot Campaign for Muscular Dystrophy” over the Labor Day Weekend. Department personnel were out at major intersections in the city using their fireman’s boots to collect money for the research and cure of this debilitating disease that affects children. A total of \$46,000 was collected during this year’s boot campaign.



New Technology for Transit

New technology is helping Wichita Transit to provide public transportation to approximately 2.5 million passengers annually throughout the city of Wichita. Greater efficiency, improved response to service demands and increased fuel savings all result from the use of improved technology.

Utilizing technology will not only benefit transit ridership, but will result in advancing positive improvements to the overall regional transportation network. These improvements are needed to support local Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), transit-related requirements, and support the new downtown arena and regional growth initiatives.

Implementation components of the Wichita Transit ITS project will include:

- Automatic Vehicle Location system with Global Positioning System (GPS)
- Automated Stop Announcement system (ADA mandated)
- External Vehicle Identification system (ADA mandated)
- Computer-Aided Dispatch system with Mobile Data Terminals
- Automated Passenger Count system
- Customer service system, including web-based trip planning and vehicle arrival information
- Vehicle diagnostic system
- Digital security cameras

These systems will be installed on 84 fixed-route buses, paratransit vans, and supervisory vehicles, with an additional inventory for spare parts. Estimated project cost is \$1,895,000, funded by several available FTA grants. Transit estimates the return-on-investment for this project will be complete within eight years.

The project proposal has been reviewed and approved by the IT/IS advisory board and City Council. Coordination and agreement has been completed with the City of Wichita, Sedgwick County, the Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, and the Kansas Department of Transportation.

Mike Vinson and Denise Kueser

Events at the Library



What Page Are You On?

Readers have been flocking to events of the Big Read – Wichita! The kick-off at the Wichita Art Museum attracted 275 people. The keynote speech, delivered by Charlotte Rohrbach, ASC, Ph.D., brought over 150 to the Central Library. The buzz is all about Willa Cather's "My Antonia," with over 50 partners and book clubs across south-central Kansas participating. Books have been flying off the shelves at libraries and bookstores. Don't miss the finale, "Antonía's Music: The Popular Tunes of Her Time," on Saturday, Nov. 15 at 2 p.m. at the Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum. The Big Read is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and Arts Midwest. For a complete list of events, see wichita.gov and look for the Big Read link or visit bigreadwichita.org.

Yee-haw! Western Days at Your Library

Pull on your boots, saddle up your horse, and head on out to the Library to join your partners for Western Days. "Cowgirls: Contemporary Portraits of the American West," a photo exhibit at the Central Library on display through Sunday, Nov. 30, explores the complex, unglamorous and often inspiring reality of women in the modern West. Learn more about the Wild West from visiting authors, historical re-enactments and musical performances. Young cowpokes can even practice their lassoing skills! Visit the Library's website or stop by any location for a complete list of events.

Carolers at City Hall

Wichita Federal Credit Union (WFCU), housed in the 4th Floor of City Hall, will host the musical Madrigals from Wichita South High School on Dec. 17 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Madrigals will help create holiday spirit by singing Christmas carols on each floor of City Hall. Cookies and refreshments will be offered at the WFCU 4th Floor office.



November Events at the Art Museum

Central American Textiles from the Collection of Jerry Martin opening Nov. 23–Mar. 1

This exhibition showcases an outstanding local collection of contemporary – and brilliantly colorful – Central American textiles of the highest level of craftsmanship and design sophistication. Collector Jerry Martin shares his love of Central American art and culture through the clothing he has collected over the past 45 years.



Realistic Pluralism: The Art of Nicholas Trabue through Feb. 8.

Kansas native Nicholas Trabue paints imaginary universes. He skillfully weaves mathematics and geometric forms against the human figure.

The Plains Landscape of "My Antonia" through Dec. 14

This exhibition tells the story of Willa Cather's legendary book "My Antonia" through art from the Museum's permanent collection, part of The Big Read - Wichita's campaign to get Wichitans reading.

Crystal Walter

Huipil, San Pedro Sacatepequez, Guatemala, 2008. From the collection of Jerry Martin.

Work Begins on 2009-2013 Consolidated Plan

City employees are invited to complete a survey for the City's 2009-2013 Consolidated Plan. This plan is required for Wichita to continue to receive direct annual allocations from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnerships, and Emergency Shelter Grant programs. These allocations have funded home repair, new home construction, assistance to first time homebuyers and support for homeless service agencies, based on priorities in the current Consolidated Plan which expires on June 30, 2009. The 2009-2013 Plan will help City officials and staff determine how to spend allocations over the next five years.

The Housing and Community Services Department is responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan. Because federal funds have been decreasing over the past 10 years, it is more important than ever that spending in these areas be prioritized in line with the community's needs. There are a variety of sources of information on our community's needs, and the department is reviewing all of them. However, a survey has also been developed which asks people who might be eligible to receive or deliver Consolidated Plan-funded services to rank areas of need which are eligible for federal funding.

Survey forms can be found on the Housing and Community Services Department website. From the home page, click on the Priority Needs Survey link, print and complete the form, and return it to Mary K. Vaughn, before November 30, 2008.

Mary K. Vaughn

Halloween Safety

Halloween is the children's night for "Trick or Treat," "Ghost and Goblins" and "Haunts and Horrors." Unfortunately some of these horrors are all too real. Every year on Halloween, children are hurt due to auto accidents, fire injuries, falls, poisoned treats and other unnecessary mishaps.

The Wichita Fire Department wants to remind parents to talk with their children about the rules and limitations for their Halloween activities. If your child is wearing a costume, the fire department offers these safety suggestions.

- *Flashlights make it easier to see and be seen.
- *Wigs, if used, should be flame-resistant. Hair spray can be used to achieve the same effect.
- *Put reflective strips on the costume and candy bag to increase visibility after dark.
- *Insist that all treats be brought home for inspection before anything is eaten.
- * Avoid the use of live fire or candles in all of your Halloween decorations.



Bob Thompson

South Central Neighborhood Fall Festival



From left, Council Members Lavonta Williams and Jim Skelton, President Bill Davis of the South Central Neighborhood Association and Council Member Sharon Fearey enjoy the Fall Festival.

More than 600 citizens and City staff came out on a beautiful Saturday afternoon to watch the Annual Firefighters Museum Parade and participate in the South Central Neighborhood Fall Festival on Oct. 11. Council Members Jim Skelton, Lavonta Williams and Sharon Fearey rode in the parade and Council Member Williams read a proclamation.

Staff from Planning, the Wichita Police Department, the Office of Central Inspection, Public Works and Neighborhood Services are working closely with the South Central Neighborhood (which includes Council Districts I and III) to revitalize the area. The area scored a victory last year when City Council declared it a Local Investment Area. The designation allowed Housing and Community Services to bring much needed resources to the neighborhoods.

Upcoming major projects include the South Broadway Streetscape that will drastically change the appearance of South Broadway. Council Members Skelton and Williams worked together to make this project possible.

Janet Johnson

Supervisor's Skill Saves Employee

It began as a normal workday. Steven Bannon was driving the paratransit van and began having chest pains. He called over the radio to advise his supervisor, Anna Sparlin, of the situation. Anna asked for his location and he advised her that he was on North Edgemoor at a nursing home. Anna asked Steve if he could drive the van back to the office or if she needed to come get him. Steve advised Anna that he felt certain he could drive the van back to the office. However, Anna, a Transit supervisor for 13 years, kept questioning Steve about his condition and could tell that he was very ill. Steve advised Anna that he had pain in his left arm and chest and was hurting all over. Anna immediately called 911 and advised Steve to remain at his location. She continued to talk to Steve while EMS was en-route.



Steve Bannon and Anna Sparlin

Upon arrival, EMS assessed Steve and quickly transported him to Wesley Medical Center. Emergency room staff began triage and during this process Steve became nauseated, the room started to spin and he felt like he was in a tunnel. Steve recalled telling those around him that he didn't want to die and he loved his wife. About this time, everything went black. Steve had suffered a massive heart attack. Hospital staff administered life-saving shock treatment to restart Steve's heart and immediately transported him for heart catheterization. As luck would have it, there was a cardiothoracic surgeon in the hospital as these events unfolded and Steve was immediately taken to surgery.

After receiving life saving treatment, Steve was advised that without Anna's insistence that he go to the hospital, he wouldn't be alive to tell this story. With thanks and appreciation to Anna Sparlin for her quick thinking and skill in assessing the situation, Steve's recovery is going well and he is back at work.

November Events for CityArts/Indian Center

In The Main Gallery

Exhibit: "What About US?" mixed media works by Jeff Pierson; Exhibit Dates: Nov. 7–29

Reception Date: Friday, Nov. 7, 6-8 p.m.

First Floor Hall Gallery

Exhibit: "Up in the Air" by local and regional artists; Exhibit dates: Nov. 7–29

Reception Date: Friday, Nov. 7, 6-8 p.m.

Balcony and Boardroom Galleries

Exhibit: Works by the Kansas Art Guild; Exhibit Dates: Nov. 7–29

Reception Date: Friday, Nov. 7, 6:-8: p.m.

The Indian Center

Wichita Kansas Intertribal Warrior Society Annual Veterans Powwow; Nov 8-9, Experience an American Indian celebration of community and spirituality, featuring drums, dancing & traditional arts and crafts. For a complete schedule of events please check out www.theindiancenter.org



Powwow dancer

| <u>Retirees</u> | <u>Dept.</u> | <u>Yrs. Of Service</u> |
|-------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| William D. Hodges | Park | 19 yrs. 00 mo. |
| Carla J. Woodie | Municipal Court | 14 yrs. 07 mo. |
| James W. Russell | Transit | 09 yrs. 08 mo. |

| <u>Retiree Deaths</u> | <u>Dept.</u> | <u>Date of Death</u> |
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| Tomas D. Curi | Public Works | 08/02/2008 |
| Dolores M. Brown | Library | 08/06/2008 |
| Norman W. Garber | Public Works | 09/09/2008 |
| Ruth D. Trapp, widow of Herbert C. Trapp | Fire | 09/17/2008 |

Congratulations to these employees who have reached 10 or 25 year career milestones with the City. Contact Carolyn Bowen in Human Relations if you have questions regarding the Career Award Program.

| <u>OCTOBER</u> | <u>10 Years</u> | <u>DEPT.</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| James Garcia | 10 years | OCI |
| Martha Murphy | 10 years | Public Works |
| Gregory Harrison | 10 years | Housing |
| Michael Mayta | 10 years | IT/IS |
| Glenn E. Long | 10 years | Public Works |
| Jennie Pechin | 10 years | Water Utilities |
| Ernest Trotter | 10 years | Public Works |
| John Drew | 10 years | Public Works |
| Fatisha Perez | 10 years | Transit |
| | <u>25 Years</u> | |
| Rebecca Gagnon | 25 years | Water Utilities |
| Diana Coldiron | 25 years | Police |
| Kerry Beals | 25 years | Public Works |
| Connie Storrie | 25 years | Park |
| Karen Hinnenkamp | 25 years | Public Works |

New City Auditor



Laurie Wolf became the new Internal Auditor for the City of Wichita on Oct. 20. She joins the staff of the City Manager's Office on the 13th floor of City Hall.

Laurie received her Bachelor of Science in Business degree from Emporia State University as an accounting major. She is a native of McPherson, Kansas and moved to Wichita after college.

She and her husband keep busy with school and social activities for their three daughters ages 6, 7 and 8.

Laurie comes from Via Christi Health Systems in Wichita where she was Audit Manager. Her past employment experience includes Grant Thornton LLP as the Senior Assurance Associate, and Koch Industries as Senior Trading Support Analyst.

Controller's Office Adds Accountant

Mandy Estes has joined the staff of the Controller's office as a staff accountant. Her most recent experience was with the Hyatt Regency in Wichita, providing her with many directly related experiences. Mandy's production-oriented resume caught the attention of the Finance Department immediately which was confirmed during her interview and by her excellent references.



Mandy will begin her career working primarily with payroll and capital asset accounting. On a personal note, Mandy is newly married and attends Friends University.

New Safety Coordinator



Robert Daniels joined the City of Wichita on Aug. 11th as a Safety Coordinator reporting to Linda Summervill under Risk Management in the Finance Department. He will be fulfilling safety based training, site observations, and facility inspections. Robert brings over 35 years of operations and safety to our organization.

Robert obtained certification from the North American Traffic Management Institute as a Certified Director of Safety through the University of Central Florida. He is also a certified trainer in HM-126 (DOT Hazardous Materials).

Robert and his wife Cheryl have three grown children and have been residents of Wichita since 1990. He and Cheryl support K-State football and basketball and enjoy gardening and hiking.

Corporate Challenge Winners

The following employees participated in Corporate Challenge for the City of Wichita the weekend of Oct. 3rd at Collegiate School. Below is a list of employees who placed 1st to 3rd.

1st Place:

5K run... Pam McCall; 5K run... Van Williams; Tennis... Emily Gerber & Phil Jelineck; 3 vs 3 Basketball... Angela Buckner, Danielle Jackson, Gloria Betts, Lisa Klaassen & Wanda Parker-Givens.

2nd Place:

Football Throw... Jon Sidwell, Sean Nielson, Melissa Plymal & Danielle Becker

3rd Place:

Obstacle Course... Mickey Lara & Danielle Drouhard; Basketball Shootout... Jon Sidwell, Mickey Lara, Angela Buckner & Danielle Becker; 5K Bike Sprint... Shane Russell; Volleyball... Wanda Parker-Givens, Michele Schell, Melissa Plymal, Joe Barber, Jon Sidwell, Michael Steele & Brandon Kauffman.

Snow and Ice Preparations

Training for snow and ice operations began Friday, Oct. 24, for 180 City of Wichita equipment operators and 36 supervisors.

The number of snow and ice treatment routes increased from 18 to 25 this year, ensuring that each route can be completed in a single eight-hour shift under 'normal' snow and ice conditions. The greater number of routes will require the Water Utilities and Park Department to join Public Works crews as first-responders this year. "Snow and ice response is definitely a team effort," said Tony DeCicco, Maintenance Engineer for the Department of Public Works.

Training day began with a meeting at the Mid-America All Indian Center. Employees learned their assigned shifts and sites and an overview of duties and procedures was presented.

In the afternoon, operators and supervisors reported to their assigned locations for training on plow mounting, spreader mounting and operation, vehicle inspections and work records. Employees are expected to have driven their routes to ensure they know the route they will use and can get questions answered before the first snow and ice event of the season. All employees with less than two years experience operating snow removal equipment will be scheduled for additional training conducted by an experienced employee.



Pat Pruitt, Street Maintenance Supervisor, gives interview to media after snow and ice exercise.

Water Fundraiser Overflows With Cajun Spirit



With nearly 200 people to feed, "Executive Chef" David Warren and his crew of cooks gathered at West Heights United Methodist Church to begin making the base of the gumbo, known as the roux.

Wichita Water Utilities was one of five proud organizers of the first-ever "Water for People . . . Gumbo for Us" fundraiser held recently at Larry Bud's Sports Bar & Grill. The event benefited Water for People, an international nonprofit organization that establishes drinking-water supplies in developing countries. The Gumbo feast, which raised more than \$8,200, is expected to become an annual event.

Nearly 200 people came out to support the worthy cause and savor gumbo prepared by the City's own Director of Utilities David Warren. The Louisiana native's gumbo was the talk of the evening, and, despite repeated requests, his top-secret recipe remained just that – a secret.

Attendees to the invitation-only fundraiser represented construction, engineering, manufacturing and utility companies in the Wichita area that are members of the Kansas Section of the American Water Works Association and whose operations depend largely on water. Other event organizers included Camp Dresser & McKee Inc., Environment Process Equipment Company, UCI and Larry Bud's Sports Bar & Grill.

Water for People is currently working in Bolivia, Guatemala, Honduras, Malawi and India to provide safe drinking water and proper sanitation. Information is available at www.waterforpeople.org.

IRISE Winners for October

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| Bernadette Walter | City Council | Esmeralda Grajeda | Municipal Crt. | Jesse Andrews II | Public Works |
| Libby Albers | Env. Services | Stephanie Vian | OCI | John Browning | Public Works |
| Heidi Cleveland | HR | Colleen Shirley | Park | Eugene Bryant | Public Works |
| Eva Caudill | Library | Bill Covington | Police | William Reuschel | Water Utilities |
| Mohamad Eldani | Library | Vonnie Forgie | Police | James Weber | Water Utilities |
| Barbara Gilkey | Library | Debbie Halsig | Police | Ken Phelps | Transit |
| Patric Henson | Library | Tessa Morris | Police | | |

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