



Rapid City Progress Report

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Fiscal Responsibility

- A Vision Fund sales tax revenue bond (Series 2007A) for the Civic Center Ice Arena is being paid off early, saving taxpayers approximately \$104k in interest expense.
- The City entered into a new governance agreement with the Performing Arts Center to facilitate self-sufficiency in the future.
- The length of the bill paying process now averages 3 weeks. It previously took up to 6 weeks in some cases.

Actions Taken

- City Council unanimously approved Ordinance 5968 which requires the execution of a developer's agreement prior to recording the final plat. This streamlines the process for developers while ensuring accountability to the tax payers.
- The Rapid City Public Libraries have served the Rapid City Area since 1879 without ever being officially included in the City's Municipal Code. Ordinance 5969 adopted provisions concerning Rapid City Public Libraries Board of Trustees by adding Chapter 2.86 to the Rapid City Municipal Code.
- The \$4.3m Landfill Citizen's Campus is now open to the public. The project includes a secured drop off location for garbage, yard waste and recycling.
- Clear timelines have been established for the downtown Presidents Plaza project located at 6th & St. Joseph Streets. Construction is to begin no later than 2016. The project will include additional parking, retail, office space, condominiums and a hotel.

In Progress

- Proceeding with exploration of customs at Rapid City Regional Airport to facilitate International flights.
- The Downtown Business Improvement District Board is currently evaluating the feasibility and funding options for installation of an upgraded lighting system (similar to Kansas City Street) on Main and St. Joseph Streets from West to East Blvd.
- Four additional phases of Orchard Meadows are currently being reviewed by the City to create 148 residential lots with 10 larger tracts. This is the former Wally Byam site located east of the intersection of Elk Vale Road and E. Highway 44.

Increased Access to City Government

- South Dakota Attorney General's Office issued an official opinion addressing various questions concerning the Rapid City Historic Preservation Commission.
- The City is in the process of consolidating the Historic Preservation Commission & the Historic Sign Review board to increase access and efficiency.
- The recommendations in the recent Jim Lehe report call for the consolidation and restructuring of application processes in the subdivision ordinance, zoning ordinance and related ordinances in the Municipal Code. This project will be undertaken in 2014 and will increase efficiencies and reduce the time it takes to process applications.

Growth & Economic Development

- Signed an MOU with Rapid City Economic Development Corporation outlining terms and conditions under which the two parties will operate and sets forth obligations of each. This formalizes an important partnership the City has had for many years.
- Delta Airlines will begin weekly nonstop flights to Atlanta starting June 7, 2014 and running through August 30, 2014.
- The old Garfield School, on Dilger Street in North Rapid City, has been rezoned to residential zoning. Black Hills Habitat for Humanity intends to redevelop the school for multiple family housing and will build townhouses along North 7th Street.
- 2013 was a banner year for the private sector: 2 industrial permits, 17 commercial permits and a boom in housing construction. Overall this is the second best year on record. It is the best year ever after subtracting out the Government building permits. Housing starts have increased more than three-fold since 2010.

Meet the Director



Please join us in welcoming Jim McShane as the new director of the Rapid City Public Libraries. Jim was most recently the director of the Kent Memorial Library in Suffield, CT, and brings to the position 30 years of experience. After earning a Master's in Library Science in 1989 from Indiana University in Bloomington, he has garnered library and management experience at such locations as Hamilton-Wenham Public Library (Massachusetts) and Topeka and Shawnee County Public Library (Kansas). His interests are varied and include music and playing numerous instruments as well as language studies including Latin, Russian, Tibetan, Icelandic, Danish and most recently Japanese. Jim also enjoys photography, camping and hiking.

*It is important to note the items in this report are the result of a joint effort between City Council, Department Directors, our employees, citizens, and myself. **We Are A Team.***

Rapid City Community Planning & Development Services Building Permit Totals

Permits, Valuation, and Inspections	2010 Actual	2011 Actual	2012 Actual	2013 Actual
New units & buildings:				
Single-family units valuation	182 \$32,679,324	157 \$27,019,631	179 \$33,496,398	236 \$43,681,672
Total residential units valuation	192 \$33,877,324	219 \$33,809,421	405 \$65,766,313	661 \$77,497,797
Industrial buildings valuation	0 \$0	0 \$0	2 \$4,204,829	2 \$3,888,000
Commercial buildings valuation	19 \$25,864,341	21 \$40,983,587	13 \$16,166,414	17 \$47,189,501
Public buildings valuation	3 \$1,020,786	6 \$23,276,107	4 \$27,427,360	3 \$4,824,177
Other buildings valuation	10 \$3,535,776	15 \$5,785,091	16 \$4,356,984	1 \$30,000
Total new buildings:	\$64,298,227	\$103,854,206	\$117,921,900	\$133,429,475
Total building permits	2,915	5,253	4,861	5,906
Total inspections	11,726	14,362	13,256	13,542
Total permit valuation	\$132,773,559	\$258,990,182	\$207,811,337	\$244,253,223

Note: The Building Services Division began issuing permits for residential and commercial roofing starting in June 2011. Due to catastrophic hail damage the City issued 2,335 roofing permits with a total project valuation of \$18,874,832 in 2011. In 2012 the City issued 1,590 roofing permits with a project valuation of \$13,865,756. In 2013 the City issued 2,490 roofing permits with a project valuation of \$20,639,710. The vast majority of these were from hail damage.

Note: The permit valuation and building totals for the County administration facility issued in 2012 is reflected in the "Public Buildings" line item.

Note: The total permit valuation number for 2013 includes a floodplain grading permit of \$14,193,186 for I-190 reconstruction work.

City's Investment in Public Works Infrastructure

Fund	Revenue Source	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
CIP - Streets	Sales Tax	4,230,008	4,413,841	4,666,744	4,804,226	4,945,832	5,091,688	5,291,995
.16 Fund - Street Rehabilitation	Sales Tax	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000
.16 Fund - Streets	Sales Tax/Bond	-	3,300,000	1,500,000	1,725,000	-	-	-
Streets (STCM)	General Fund	762,000	868,000	912,500	930,750	949,365	968,352	987,719
Urban Systems	SD DOT	1,600,000	1,900,000	1,900,000	1,900,000	1,900,000	1,900,000	1,900,000
Total for Streets		8,092,008	11,981,841	10,479,244	10,859,976	9,295,197	9,460,040	9,679,714

CIP - Drainage	Sales Tax	2,686,672	2,710,339	2,971,162	3,062,817	3,157,222	3,254,458	3,387,997
.16 Fund - Drainage	Sales Tax/Bond	-	1,450,000	500,000	900,000	-	-	-
Stormwater Utility	Enterprise Fund	-	-	700,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000
Total for Drainage		2,686,672	4,160,339	4,171,162	6,962,817	6,157,222	6,254,458	6,387,997

Water	Enterprise Fund	7,807,856	8,116,170	8,436,817	8,770,289	9,117,101	9,477,785	9,852,897
Sewer	Enterprise Fund	3,956,195	4,110,443	4,270,860	4,437,695	4,611,202	4,791,651	4,979,317
.16 Fund - Utility	Sales Tax/Bond	7,070,000	4,550,000	8,650,000	1,675,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Total for Water/Sewer Utilities		18,834,051	16,776,613	21,357,677	14,882,984	14,728,303	15,269,436	15,832,214

Total Infrastructure Budget*		29,612,731	32,918,793	36,308,083	32,705,777	30,180,722	30,983,934	31,899,925
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*does not include \$40m Jackson Springs Water Treatment Plant Bond