

RAPID CITY PROGRESS REPORT



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Key Actions Taken

- Ord. 6029 was unanimously adopted to codify and strengthen the relationship between the Airport and the Fire Department. Airport Rescue & Fire Fighting (ARFF) Services will continue to be provided by the Rapid City Fire Department.
- Ord. 6031 was unanimously adopted to further streamline the planning process by consolidating the Zoning Board of Adjustment with the Planning Commission, which will now handle zoning variance cases.
- The Lakota Nation Invitational (LNI) Board of Directors unanimously voted to keep the LNI Tournaments in Rapid City.
- More than three dozen cemetery markers at the Mountain View and Mount Calvary Cemetery were stabilized from dangerous leaning and slanting thanks to private donors who gave \$37,500 for the project.

In Progress

- **Airport Waterline:** The fourth and final phase of the Longview Road Water Transmission Main Line Extension has been awarded (\$1,857,477). The overall \$6 million project began construction in 2012 and will extend the water transmission main east to the Airport. The project will increase water supply and pressure for fire protection, ensure a viable water source for areas in Rapid Valley with low water quality, and enhance opportunities for future growth.
- **Black Hills Corporation (BHC)** has announced they will be consolidating five locations into one \$70M facility located on the southwest corner of Catron Boulevard and U.S. Highway 16. The cost of the building will be shared by all of BHC customers in South Dakota and six other states. The savings are anticipated to minimize rate increases and will allow the company to expand. David Emery, president of BHC, stated the reasons for choosing Rapid City are, "No corporate or personal income tax, relatively business friendly, easier to permit and get things done".
- **Building Permit Totals:** Rapid City experienced a record month with a total building permit valuation of \$40,519,975. This marks only the third month since 2000 with over \$40 million in permit valuation. Top valuation items for March included the Village at Skyline Pines assisted living facility at 1050 Fairmont Boulevard (\$14,160,000); the 50-unit Good Samaritan senior housing facility at 4243 Wisconsin Avenue (\$4,839,014); two 18-unit apartment facilities at 405 Founders Park Drive (\$4,644,400); and the Rushmore Honda car dealership at 1632 E. Mall Drive (\$3,908,500).

Civic Center Update

- Shortly after the March 10 public vote, the City Council unanimously supported an After Action Review (AAR) process to start determining the next step. Four major actions have occurred 1) held a press conference at the Civic Center, open to all views and constituents 2) retaining Malcom Chapman, highly respected and neutral professional facilitator and former Alderman to assist 3) publicly thanked the leadership and efforts of the Civic Center Expansion Task Force and team 4) the first AAR forum was conducted on March 25 with significant turnout of community participants. Areas of emphasis include: a less expensive plan to address ADA and future marketability, while minimizing impact to existing events.

Growth & Economic Development

- The State of South Dakota approved the creation of the Rushmore Regional Rail Authority to include Pennington County, Box Elder, Wall and Rapid City. Last year, City Council passed resolution 2014-045 authorizing Rapid City's membership in the group with the first inaugural meeting held this quarter. This provides a valuable economic development tool for our region.
- A plan to revamp our Central Business District (zoned in 1968) is in the beginning stages and will include input from business and property owners, as well as other stakeholders. Once the Plan is drafted, City staff will prepare the necessary zoning ordinance and policy amendments. The Downtown Plan will include an area located from approximately North Street to South Street and West Boulevard to the School of Mines campus.

Fiscal Responsibility

- After nearly 11 months of preparation, the City of Rapid City went live with Phase I of the new Financial Accounting Software Package from Tyler Technologies. This is the first of three phases and includes processing purchase requests, purchase orders and accounts payable, as well as the general financial statements. Full implementation is projected for Fall of 2016.
- The 2009 Water Revenue Bonds have been refinanced. The original \$45.1M bonds had a rate of 5.19%. The new bonds has a 3.44% average coupon rate on the remaining principal, which will save more than \$1.5 million over the 25 year life of the bonds.

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

Working Together. Serving Together. We are a Team.

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Rapid City Community Planning & Development Services Building Permit Totals

Permits, Valuation, and Inspections	2011 Actual	2012 Actual	2013 Actual	2014 Actual	2015 Thru 3/31
New units & buildings:					
Single-family units valuation	157 \$27,019,631	179 \$33,496,398	236 \$43,681,672	233 \$42,271,201	71 \$12,788,141
Total residential units valuation	219 \$33,809,421	405 \$65,766,313	661 \$77,497,797	355 \$51,604,701	157 \$22,271,555
Industrial buildings valuation	0 \$0	2 \$4,204,829	2 \$3,888,000	1 \$824,800	0
Commercial buildings valuation	21 \$40,983,587	13 \$16,166,414	17 \$47,189,501	25 \$47,858,664	4 \$19,552,767
Public buildings valuation	6 \$23,276,107	4 \$27,427,360	3 \$4,824,177	2 \$1,376,459	0
Other buildings valuation	15 \$5,785,091	16 \$4,356,984	1 \$30,000	37 \$3,380,682	5 \$798,000
Total new buildings:	\$103,854,206	\$117,921,900	\$133,429,475	\$105,045,306	\$42,622,322
Total building permits	5,253	4,861	5,906	5,457	763
Total inspections	14,362	13,256	13,542	15,459	3,133
Total permit valuation	\$258,990,182	\$207,811,337	\$244,253,223	\$214,924,664	\$56,658,149

Note: The Building Services Division began issuing roofing permits in June 2011. Due to several severe storms the City issued permits and performed inspections for several thousand roofing permits including: 2011 - 1,616 permits (\$12,587,766 permit valuation), 2012 - 1,590 permits (\$13,865,756 permit valuation), 2013 - 2,490 permits (\$20,639,710 permit valuation), 2014 through August 31st - 2,168 permits (\$18,346,010 permit valuation).

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.

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	2,200,000	2,200,000	2,200,000	2,200,000
Total for Drainage		2,686,672	4,160,339	4,171,162	6,962,817	5,357,222	5,454,458	5,587,997

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	31,905,777	29,380,722	30,183,934	31,099,925
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