

CITY COUNCIL WORK PLAN

Strategic Focus Area:

Public Streets, Storm Drains & Sidewalks

Objective and Initiative

- ■ **Lighting Initiative for Public Spaces:** Explore establishing a multi-year plan for improved lighting in downtown and public areas as a deterrent to crime and to contribute to a more attractive community.
- ■ **New Sidewalks:** Identify where the city has the ROW and/or land to construct needed sidewalks for pedestrian connections between neighborhoods and parks. Select one sidewalk for completion in FY25-26.

Strategic Focus Area:

Revenue & Economic Development

Objective and Initiative

- ■ **Vacant Commercial and Office Property Project:** Analyze the possibility of an ordinance requiring vacant properties of commercial and office spaces to be maintained in a manner that the visual appeal reflects the community's standards of cleanliness, care, and attractiveness.
- ■ **Planning and Building Permit Process:** Convene a Council Study Session and explore software options and costs for online submittal and tracking of planning and building applications.

Strategic Focus Area:

Public Safety & Homelessness

Objective and Initiative

- ■ **Sheriff Staffing:** Hire additional Sheriff's Deputies to provide an increased presence and help keep the community safe.

Strategic Focus Area:

Community Life

Objective and Initiative

- ■ **Community Events:** Add a new event to the city's current event schedule. Begin planning and fundraising for Lemon Grove's 50th Anniversary and take part in celebration of America's 250th Anniversary. .
- ■ **Recreation and Senior Centers:** Identify funding and/or Partners to open the Senior Center and the Recreation Center. Possible contract with private sector vendors to offer programs.
- ■ **Parks Expansion and Equipment:** Pursue grant opportunities to purchase or develop new or expanded parks. Include looking at a pocket park in the Wildflower area and park space on Environmental Land Trust. (Multi-year strategy)