

Clerk-Treasurer Council Report

Date: May 2026

Grants

WCI Solar Grant-Received

Total Grant Approved: \$75,384.00 Received Funds:

Battery Backup Grant: \$28,896.23 (covers full cost)

Installation scheduled.

Otter Tail County rebate received for \$36,000. Giraffe Financial tax credits account created.

MDH Implementation Grant-Received

Wellhead Protection Plan is for a fence around the water plant.

\$15,000 grant with no match

Signed Grant Agreement. Utilities Superintendent will get quotes for fence in May, and work will be completed by fall. Will install \$15,000 worth of fence this year and apply for another grant if needed to complete the fence.

Sales Tax Request

The Taxes committee unfortunately ended up writing a bill that did not include any local sale tax requests, which the city can request again next year.

2026 Elections

- Training for Clerk Friday, May 29 from 1-3 pm.
- Local Filing will be July 14-28, 2026
- Resolution 2026-006 approval to hire election judges.
- Election Judge training July 9 and July 16.

Current Projects

- EMS
 - County meeting held on Thursday, April 23 at 6 pm. See attachments.
- Insurance Deductible
 - Does Council want to change deductible amount? See attachment.
- Streets/Yard Waste
 - Dust Control
- EDA/HRA: Daycare initiative
 - Name: Growing Up Vergas
 - Grants are being applied for
- Planning Commission:
 - Ordinance book update for review and recommendation to Council
 - Nuisance Properties
- 2025 Audit Information to Auditor