

# EL DORADO

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TO: City Commission  
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### **Items of Note:**

- Insurance Services Office, Inc. (ISO) is an independent company that collects information about municipal fire suppression efforts in communities throughout the United States. ISO analyzes the relevant data and assigns a Public Protection Classification grade between 1 and 10. Class 1 represents an exemplary fire suppression program, and Class 10 indicates that the area's fire suppression program does not meet ISO's minimum criteria. A community's rating depends on: a) needed fire flows, b) emergency communications, c) fire department capabilities, and d) water supply.
- El Dorado's ISO Public Protection Classification remained unchanged at 03/3Y. The first number applies to properties within five road miles of the responding fire station and 1,000 feet of a creditable water supply. The second number applies to properties within five road miles of a fire station but beyond the 1,000 feet of a creditable water supply. This classification places El Dorado in the top 86% of communities nationwide receiving a rating. The City's largest deficiency came from the criteria attributed to "company personnel," as the fire department operates with less than the ideal number of on-duty and on-call personnel responding to first-alarm structure fires.
- The El Dorado Municipal Court began reviewing its policies and procedures. The policies and procedures have not been updated for several years.
- The City Commission will be asked to approve \$12,450 from the Economic Development Sales Tax Fund to fund a housing assessment to be completed by Wichita State University. The assessment would begin shortly after approval of the funds by the governing body and appointment of a Housing Steering Committee. WSU anticipates presenting the assessment results to the City Commission in May or June.
- Speaking of housing, El Dorado Inc. is creating a Housing Committee to look at ways to facilitate additional housing starts in the community.
- El Dorado Inc. is also creating a committee to look into developing a speculative building for industrial or commercial use.
- The City Manager executed a claims release to participate in the opioid settlements involving Teva, Allergan, CVS, Walgreens, and Walmart. Thus far, the City has received \$32,954 from the national opioid settlement. The City is exploring an advisory committee to produce a recommendation on the use of the settlement funds. The funds must be allocated to authorized uses that mitigate opioid abuse.
- The City prepared a survey to engage the community concerning the existing one-cent sales tax. The survey will go live on Monday and be available until 5:00 pm on February

17. The results will be tabulated and provided to the Sales Tax Task Force to aid their decision on a recommendation for a proposed sales tax ballot question.

- City offices will close on February 15 from 11:15 am until 3:00 pm to allow City employees to participate in a visioning process for the organization.

**Commission Follow-up:**

- Staff is developing a plan to review the temporary signage regulations and present that plan to the City Commission for review in the near future.

**Upcoming Milestones/Deadlines:**

- **February 20** - Civic Center Appraisal
- **March 9** - McDonald Stadium Improvements Plan
- **March 15** - East Park and Central Park Concessions/Restroom Proposals Deadline
- **March 25** - 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue Improvement Project Supplement Services
- **April 17** - WSU Housing Needs Assessment

**Personnel Update:**

- *Vacant and advertised positions:* Public Works Maintenance Worker (4), Police Officer (8), Wastewater Superintendent, Management Intern, and Executive Assistant.

**Commission Calendar:** *Upcoming City Commission Items (subject to change):*

- **February 6 Regular Meeting** – Police Department Recognition; Authorization to Use Economic Development Sales Tax Funds for WSU Housing Assessment; El Dorado Walnuts CMB License; Deer Run 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition Final Plat; El Dorado Walnuts Facilities Use Agreement; Resolution Recognizing Senator Marshall; and Year in Review Presentation
- **February 15 Work Session** – Employee Satisfaction Survey; Transportation Master Plan
- **February 20 Regular Meeting** – Economic Development Partners Review; Main Street Downtown Master Plan; Transportation Master Plan RFQ Authorization; Butler Rural Electric (Velocity) Franchise Agreement; and Delta Communications, LLC (Clearwave Fiber) Franchise Agreement
- **March 1 Work Session** – Signage Regulations; Opioid Settlement Funds Committee