

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Common Council

FROM: Josh Finch, City Administrator

**DATE:** November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024 **RE:** Monthly Newsletter

These are some exciting times here in the City of Hillsboro! It is extremely encouraging to see the dedication and ongoing efforts of the City Council, Commissions, and City Staff come to see completion in many of the projects and activities highlighted in this newsletter if anyone has any questions, please feel free to contact us at city hall (608)-489-2521.

Administrator Update: As we near the end of 2024 and finalize the budget for 2025, it's an ideal moment to reflect on this past year and look ahead to what's on the horizon for Hillsboro. Time certainly flies, and with the holiday season approaching, we can pause to appreciate the achievements and overcome challenges of the past year.

In an evolving landscape of state and federal funding, the City of Hillsboro has remained dedicated to securing grants to support essential projects. Through focused efforts, we've successfully pursued funding for initiatives like water and sewer infrastructure upgrades, park enhancements, and other key community improvements. While not every application results in an award, our efforts have been rewarded with more than \$1.4 million in grants over the past four years, thanks to collaboration with our community partners. And we're not slowing down; stay tuned for exciting updates in early December.

As we transition into 2025, we anticipate exciting growth, particularly in housing development, with new single-family homes and duplexes planned. An especially notable development is the forthcoming announcement of a state-of-the-art childcare facility, with further details expected by the end of the month.

The final 2025 budget will be presented on November 12<sup>th</sup>, followed by a public hearing and budget adoption during the Common Council meeting on November 18<sup>th</sup>. We welcome community input and look forward to engaging with residents as we work together toward a bright future for Hillsboro.



Police Spotlight: For the month of October, the Hillsboro Police Department handled 232 calls for service. Please remember that the city has changed the on-street parking ordinance during the winter months of November through April. You are allowed to park on any side of street except when notified of a snow event which dictates there is no allowable on street parking to allow street crews the ability to safely and quickly remove snow.

MINUTES FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: All meeting minutes are uploaded to the website upon approval. Please follow the link below for the most updated information & meeting minutes: https://www.hillsborowi.com/meetings

Respectfully,

Josh Finch

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