

## Council Meetings



Final FY25 budget numbers will be submitted to the State by staff on April 5, 2024. The new fiscal year will begin on July 1, 2024. Below is the public meetings calendar for April:

- April 1 @ 6pm - Public Hearing on tax levy rate for FY25 Budget
- April 1 @ 7pm - Council Meeting
- April 15 @ 7pm - Council Meeting & Public Hearing on FY25 Budget

### Summer Street Maintenance Plan

Below is the list of street repair & improvement projects for this year:

- Water valve replacement and concrete patch on Main Street & Rowley Intersection
- Concrete panel replacement at 1200 Pacific Street
- Concrete storm intake replacement at 1720 Rock Island Drive
- Chip seal on Public Works access road
- Chip seal on Vista Rd (PW Access west to City Limits)
- Chip seal both alleys from Traer to Fuhrmeister St
- Chip seal Rogers Creek Bridge surface
- Crack seal & asphalt patching on Dows St (Main to Jappa)
- Crack seal on Main St (Rowley to Dows)
- Crack seal in areas of Meadowbrook, Deer Valley and Southbrook developments



### Public Hearing for FY25 Budget

A public hearing will be set for April 15 at 7:00pm for the full FY25 Budget. Since January, staff and council have held multiple workshops to review the proposed FY25 budget. Final numbers have been presented; this Public Hearing will give residents the opportunity to voice opinions and feedback on the proposed budget. Comments can be sent in to [cityadmin@elyiowa.com](mailto:cityadmin@elyiowa.com) or shared in person at the meeting on April 15.

## Old Town District

Bids were opened in late February. Mainline Construction out of Bondurant, Iowa had the lowest qualifying bid of \$2.7M which was lower than estimated for the project. Council approved awarding the project in March. It is estimated this project will get started in late April. Announcements on trail and roadway impacts will be made in the coming weeks. Staff will notify the public when an official start date has been finalized.

## Main Street Legacy Development

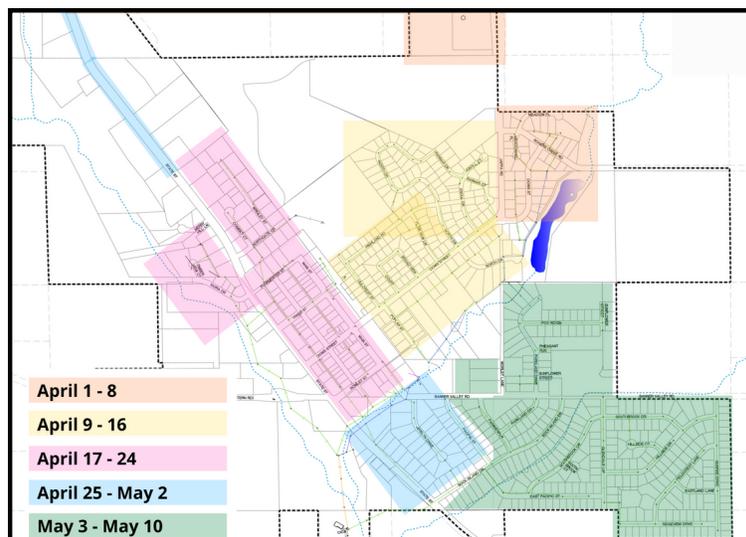
The city reviewed site plans submitted by the Main Street Legacy Project to build a mixed-use building on Main Street where the Krob's office and scale is currently located. The plans were approved and the group have a goal to start on the project this summer! Construction of this site will coincide with the Old Town District Phase 1 construction.

## Banner Valley Sidewalk

The goal of the contractor, Rathje Construction, is to start on this project the first week of April. Council approved additional engineering services to add one additional block of sidewalk along Banner Valley, extending from from Rock Island Drive to Glendale.

## Well # 1 Maintenance

In April, Well #1 will undergo maintenance by shocking the system and removing calcium and magnesium buildup along the walls of the well. This work is being done by Northway Well and Pump. By completing this, the Well will be able to pump water at a more efficient capacity. Well #1 will be down for 7-10 days. We do not anticipate any interruption to water service during this treatment, as we will be running off of Well #2. This is a maintenance task that is done every 10 years.



## Hydrant Flushing

Public Works will begin flushing hydrants throughout the month of April & May. Hydrant flushing may cause a slight discoloration in the water due to the disturbance in the pipes; running your water for a short period of time will clear it up! The water is safe to drink while hydrants are being flushed.

## Arbor Day Tree Planting

Ely Parks & Recreation was awarded grant funding from the Iowa DNR Reforestation Program to re-plant trees that were lost or removed due to the Derecho. Join staff on Friday April 26 to celebrate Arbor Day by helping plant 15 trees at Vavra Park, which will be purchased using the grant money. Volunteers will meet at the park beginning at 5:45pm, the planting event will be wrapped up by 7:00pm.



## Garage Sale Day

Ely Garage Sale Day is Saturday, May 4 from 8am-3pm. Register your sale at the Ely Public Library to be put on the official sale map. All proceeds from registration benefit the Friends of the Ely Public Library. \$5 to register and you will receive a sign. This event is rain or shine!

## Used Book Sale

Twice a year, the Ely Public Library hosts their Book Sale! This spring sale takes place during garage sale weekend. They will be selling books, DVDs, puzzles, board games, and more! Fill a bag of items for only \$5. Proceeds benefit the Library. Stop by on Friday, May 3rd 5-7pm & Saturday, May 4th 8am-3pm.



## Updates to City Hall & Community Center

This winter staff have been re-painting the common areas in City Hall, including the Community Room. Council approved funds to replace the windows, the interior entry doors, and replace the community room chairs. These updates have freshened up the community room and created more useable space. Consider renting out the community room for your next event! Resident rates: \$60 half day or \$100 full day. Rentals include access to the fully stocked kitchen. Find more info or the rental calendar on the City's CivicRec portal.