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CITY ADMINISTRATOR

# 2024 STATE OF THE CITY



# **COUNCIL GOAL 1:**

Provide and maintain municipal facilities and infrastructure to support current operations and growth.

Water & Sewer System Maintenance and Improvements

- New well drilled in Porter-Boone Park
- Water Storage Tank and Pump Station Improvements

Eastside Park Urban Growth Boundary Expansion

- Park plans approved and Master plans updated

Secured Grant for 3rd Street Road Improvements

New Public Works Building is being built

# Grant Funding for the New Wastewater System

**Project Cost: \$28,380,918**

**Total Grants: \$16,180,918**

**\$927,918**

**ARPA Direct Grant**

**\$1,000,000**

**Marion County ARPA Grant**

**\$1,253,000**

**EPA Community Grant**

**\$5,000,000**

**State Budget (SB 5506)**

**\$1,200,000**

**City Match**

**\$9,000,000**

**USDA Loan**

**\$6,000,000**

**USDA Loan Forgiveness**

**\$2,000,000**

**Tentative DEQ Loan**

**\$2,000,000**

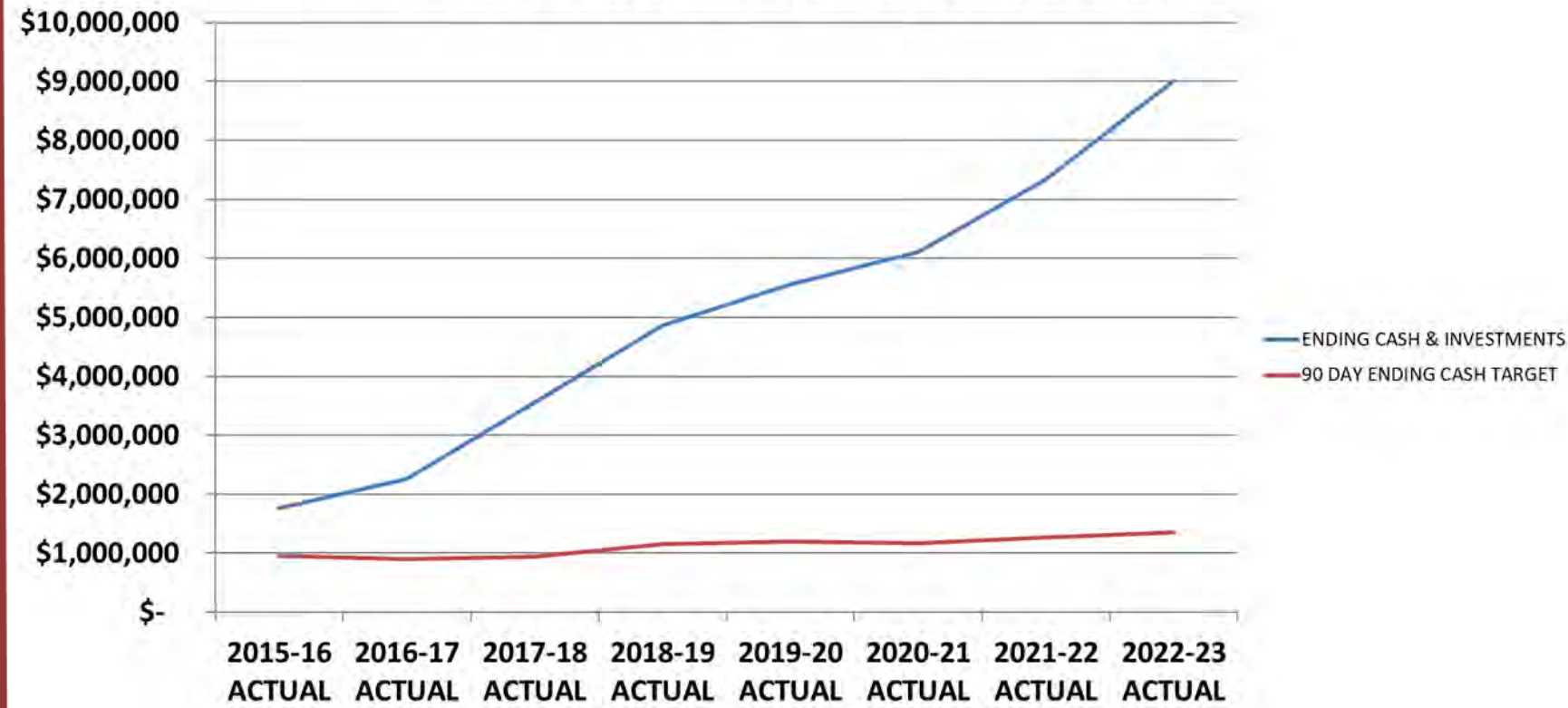
**Tentative DEQ Loan Forgiveness**

# Grant Timeline since 2018

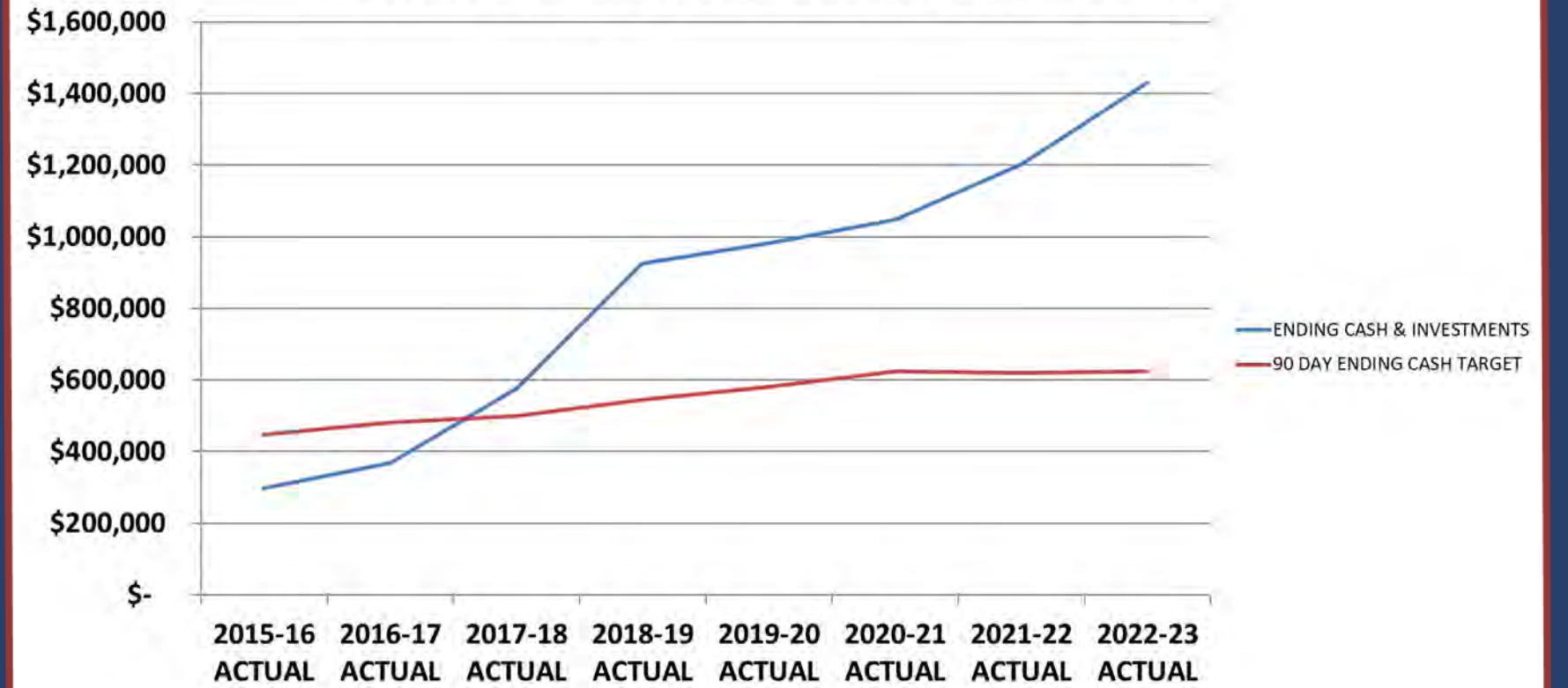
<b>2018</b>	\$75,000 Grant for Wildwood Park-2017 \$20,000 Cash Donation \$36,000 USDA Grant \$4,500 Pacific Power Grant	<b>\$135,500</b>
<b>2019</b>	\$13,000 ORPD Grant \$ 3,500 Pacific Power Grant	<b>\$16,500</b>
<b>2020</b>	\$114,000 Coronavirus Relief Funds \$20,000 Business Oregon Grant \$15,000 Community Prosperity Grant \$13,000 OPRD Grant \$2,000 Pacific Power Grant	<b>\$164,000</b>
<b>2021</b>	\$48,000 State Heritage Grant \$22,400 T-Mobile Hometown Grant \$20,000 DEQ Grant \$15,000 Marion County Prosperity Grant \$6,000 Pacific Power Grant	<b>\$111,400</b>
<b>2022</b>	\$3,257,000 ARPA State Budget SR2229 \$1,253,000 DEQ Community Grant \$1,000,000 Marion County ARPA Grant \$987,000 ARPA Direct Grant \$900,000 DAS Grant \$300,000 ARPA Grant \$5,000 Pacific Power Grant	<b>\$7,701,700</b>
<b>2023</b>	\$15,000,000 USDA Loan with \$6,000,000 in Loan Forgiveness \$5,000,000 State Budget 5506 \$4,000,000 DEQ Loan and \$2,000,000 Loan Forgiveness \$250,000 ODOT Grant	<b>\$13,250,000</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>\$21,428,100</b>

# Budget Recovery

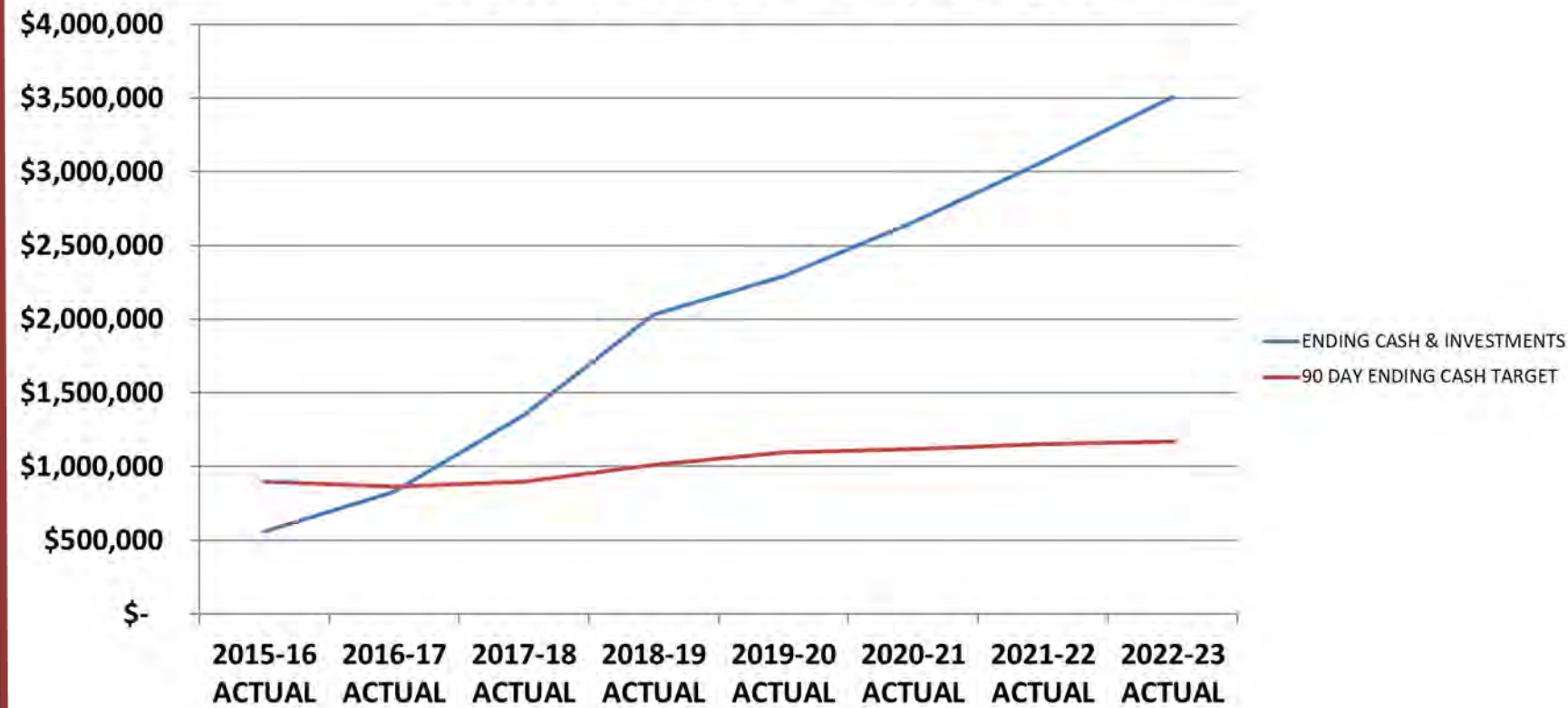
## ENDING FUND BALANCE - CITY OF AUMSVILLE



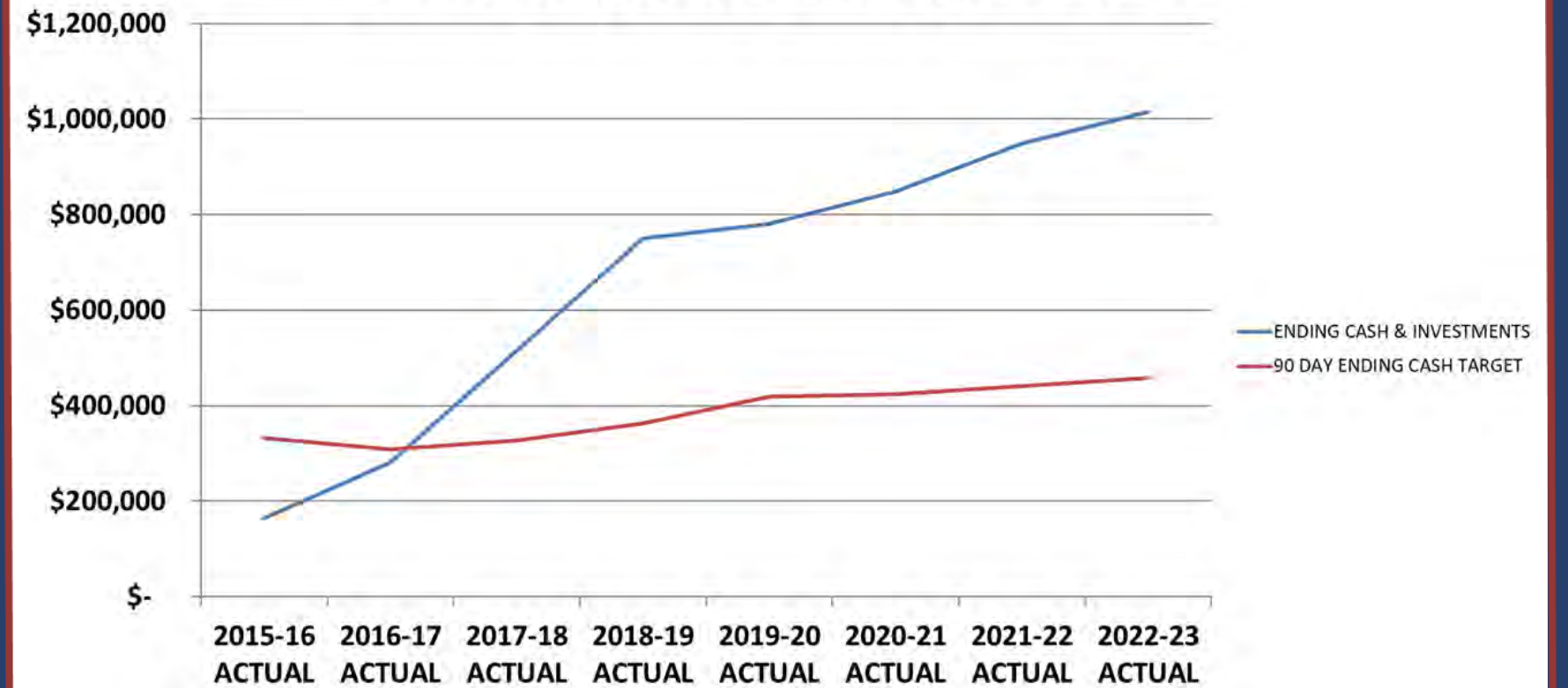
## ENDING FUND BALANCE - GENERAL/POLICE FUNDS



## ENDING FUND BALANCE - Operating Funds



## ENDING FUND BALANCE - WATER/SEWER FUNDS



# **COUNCIL GOAL 2:**

Support and encourage community involvement to create a sense of community and enhanced livability.

- Easter Egg Hunt
- Tree City
- Superhero Carnival
- Music on Main
- Corn Festival
- Pumpkin walk
- Christmas Festivities
  - Letters to Santa
  - Christmas in the Park
  - Santa visits
  - Christmas lights contest

**SUPERHERO CARNIVAL**



**City Events**



**ARBOR DAY**



**EASTER EGG HUNT**



**MUSIC ON MAIN**

# CORN FESTIVAL

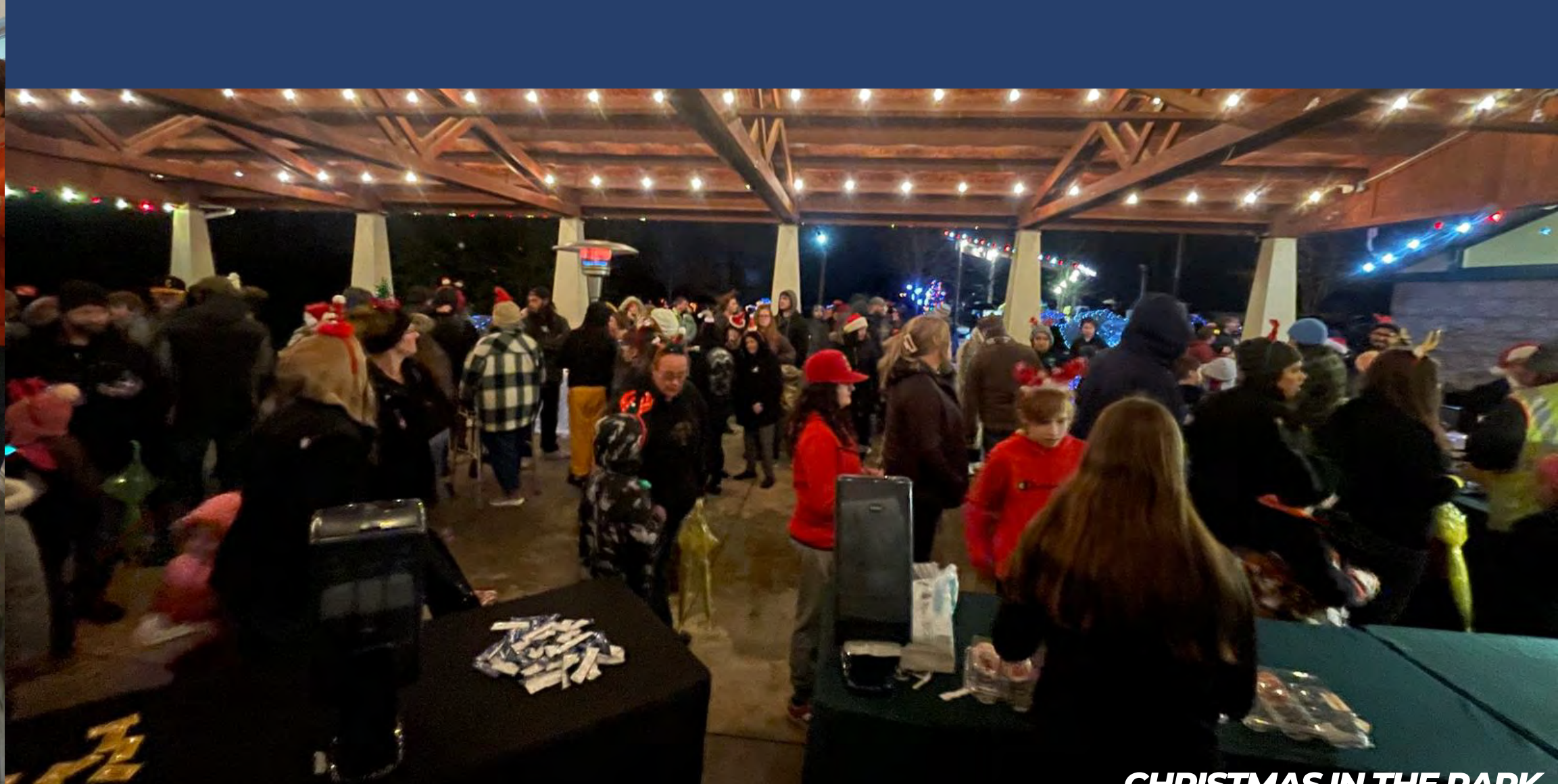








**GREAT PUMPKIN WALK**



**CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK**

# More City Facilitated Events

- Spring Clean up
- Free compost and seeds to residents
- Business grand opening celebrations
- National Night Out
- Outreach to our Spanish speaking community
- City applications printed in Spanish



# Communication and Outreach



# Social Media Outreach

- YouTube channel
- Educational videos
- Outreach campaigns for events
- Electronic sign on Main St.

## Facebook Outreach

	Paid Impressions	Paid Reach	Number of Followers
This year	126,639	30,221	4,027
Last year	18,616	8,986	3,731
Change as percent	↑ 236.3%	↑ 580.3%	↑ 8.4%



# **COUNCIL GOAL 3:**

Create an environment to attract, retain, and grow business.

Interchange Development

Clover Street Subdivision approved

SCS Communications Franchise Renewed  
Pacific Power Franchise extended

Saturday Market at Porter-Boone Park

Newsletter Advertising

Website Business Directory

Community Events to Encourage Visitors

- Superhero Carnival
- Music on Main
- Corn Festival
- Christmas in the Park

# Chevron Gas Station



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# Animal Clinic / Jeff Stewart State Farm



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# Community Center



# Pettit Staffing 590 Main St.



# Interchange Development



# **COUNCIL GOAL 4:**

Ensure a safe and  
prepared  
environment for  
businesses.

Quarterly Emergency Preparedness  
Newsletter Articles

Police Public Safety Education and  
Involvement

- Aumsville Elementary School Bike Rodeo
- Multiple safety presentations at Aumsville Elementary School, Cascade High School, and a homeschool group

Police Personnel Changes

- Three new Officers



# Aumsville Public Safety

- Officer Angela Robinson graduated from Academy in February
- Officer Eric Rebelo was sworn into Aumsville PD in September
- Officer Taylor Mack graduated from Academy in December
- Officer Wright was awarded the Oregon Police Officers Association Life Saving Award
- Sgt. Shane Bird completed the Supervisory Leadership Academy through DPSST in October



Officer Robinson



Officer Mack



Officer Rebelo

# **COUNCIL GOAL 5:**

Provide city services that are responsive to citizens and demonstrate good stewardship.

Development Ordinance 705 updated in December

Rate Increase

2023 Oregon Inflation 14.6%

2023 Water 5%, Sewer 8%

2022 Oregon Inflation 12.4%

2022 Water 3%, Sewer 3%

The Police Department responded to 2578 calls for service, an increase of 4.8% from 2022. An average of 215 calls per month.

City Staff addressed over 100 citizen complaints and answered hundreds of inquiries at city hall from customers on potential land use applications and general inquires.

# Aumsville by the Numbers

## Percent of Households Receiving Food Stamps/SNAP Assistance

26.4% of households in Aumsville  
23.3% of households in Stayton  
8% of households in Turner  
20.4% of households in Marion County  
16.1% of households in Oregon

## Median Household Income

\$85,636 in Aumsville  
\$72,639 in Stayton  
\$101,292 in Turner  
\$71,022 in Marion County  
\$75,657 in Oregon

## Poverty Rate

9.5% in Aumsville  
9.2% in Stayton  
3.4% in Turner  
13.7% in Marion County  
12.1% in Oregon

## Median Age

35.3 years old in Aumsville  
38.4 years old in Stayton  
38.6 years old in Turner  
37.5 years old in Marion County  
40.5 years old in Oregon

# PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

## Public Works Building



## Urban Growth Boundary Expansion





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## Water Storage Tank and Pump Station



## New Wastewater System



# ACCOMPLISHMENTS SINCE 2017

- Lobby wall
- Energy audit
- New Ventrac hillside mower
- Wastewater treatment study
- Mixing Zone Study
- Business Oregon Grant for study
- I-Wave Infrared Ventilation Scrubber
- Upgrade Audio/Video Equipment at Community Center
- 2040 Vision**
- Main/1st Street entry plantings
- Updated Street Tree list
- Covid management
- Corn giveaway / Video Contest / Scavenger Hunt /Aumsville Together
- Summer program and movies continues\*
- Christmas in the Park virtual events\*
- Grant toward Community Center kitchen remodel
- Cascade Youth Council
- Tiny Business village building plans and permits
- Business grants
- Updated ordinances
- Updated Planning Commission and council procedures manuals
- Wildfire Evacuations assistance
- Vulnerable Population Registry
- Completed and approved Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Coronavirus Community Health Response and Education
- Get rid of deposit/create owner responsibility
- In House Water rate study
- New website / Logo**
- Flipbook
- YouTube
- Billing mailing with return envelope
- Zoom
- Filming and video creation/editing
- We were able to get our priority one project completed by new development for minimum cost
- All new infrastructure being installed to the city
- Started a leak detection protocol to track lost water
- Tightened our discharge schedule in effort to create more storage
- Currently, undertaking an efficiency assessment by a subject matter expert to see if we can improve on our treatment process.
- Our current codes have been requiring new construction to install additional stormwater storage and treatment capacity facilities, which has helped with the storm water flowing into our system
- Acquired 23-acre Eastside park**
- Completed purchase of Vaccon truck**
- Completed Safe Routes To School project**
- Funded road overlay to Michael Way**
- Purchased two new police cars**
- Converted IT system, servers, desktop computers and software licenses
- Improved financial position of the city
- Acquired Del Mar right of way
- Evaluated water and sewer system, provided recommendations to Council, Re-drilled tower well with increase water production
- Completed the Wildwood Park expansion and upgrades, including new restrooms. Received a grant for 75k toward the project
- Negotiated 4-acre park donation north of Porter-Boone Park**

- Highberger Park property addition**
- Highberger Ditch easement to clear channel
- Mill Creek stream restoration project
- Updated park master plan
- Evaluated worst sections of sidewalks and streets and partnered with residents though our sidewalk replacement program to replace areas as needed
- City public works staff has been installing fill in gap sidewalk projects
- Deployed Radar signs throughout the city
- Installed rumble strips on problematic streets
- Formed a regional partnership to study and identify stormwater entering our systems, and developing mitigation plans to address. We received a 300k grant.
- Built collaborative partnerships with other cities and our State Rep to secure additional grant opportunities, increasing the Small City Allotment Grant from 1 to 5 million per year and increasing the amounts from 50 to 100k per grant
- Received a cash donation for 20K as a developer agreement
- State lawmakers restored recreational immunity
- Successful summer programs for family and kids: new volunteers-donations-Saturday movies-added Family Day events
- Re-drilling Tower Well**
- New air conditioner in community center
- Created forecasting model to show how policy decisions impact the numbers**
- Increased transparency of budget**
- We implemented a quarterly update of the year-to-date expenses
- Approved internal process to control spending, eliminating carry-over budgeting, for hold the line
- 90-day operating contingency in each fund
- Budgets on track
- Changed the development fee schedule to charge an actual cost to applicants
- Updated our fee for service schedule
- Renegotiated expired franchise agreements
- Negotiated increased return on city leases
- Changed approach to fund budgeting by specific items
- Our current budget is sustainable into the next five years and beyond
- We align utility rates and public service fee with expenditures
- Flower baskets on Main Street
- Contact information on website for administrator
- Christmas decorations
- Conducting more community surveys
- Updated the newsletter: color, articles, Spanish
- City Hall ventilation issues
- Reconditioned brick project at museum
- “Smart Run” installation on lift stations
- Change in budget approach allows projects to be completed
- Change in code enforcement
- Small City Allotment Grant for Michael Way
- Buildable Lands Inventory
- Coordination with other communities
- Coordination within our own community with impacted agencies
- Regional Emergency Management
- Filled in pedestrian sidewalks leading to Highberger Park
- Tree city USA designation
- Fill funding gap
- Municipal Court Software update
- Approach to delinquent payments
- Emergency Management board
- Police Handbook (LEDS)

- Purchased a used vehicle to reduce VMD
- Passed LEDS audit
- Renegotiated new service contract with City of Independence for IT service contract
- Closed security gaps in firewall to reduce risk exposure of critical city information and systems
- Limiting Risk following standard administrative practices
- Citizen action forms
- Supporting department as business license program- Peddlers section
- Conducting more cross-training for staff
- Conducted system inventory and evaluation to have complete understanding of system to develop IT plan
- Renegotiated new service contract with City of Keizer for IT service
- Closed security gaps in firewall to reduce risk of exposure for critical city information and systems
- Installed new battery back up system and switches to reduce the server down occurrences
- Installed new ventilation system in server room to reduce heat
- Installed new servers
- Installed new Microsoft licenses
- Repaired certain system functions that were previously inefficient
- LEDS printer in Police Department
- Receive state contract prices for Office 365
- Greatly reduced the number of critical failures
- We completed the seismic assessment on the elevated tower well
- group (CERT)
- IGA with Turner for flood mitigation
- Maude’s building, insulation, and electrical work complete
- Saturday Market at Maude’s
- Eastside Park Planning Committee
- 2-factor authentication installed
- Updated video design software
- Implemented use of Canva graphic design program
- Contract with Winterbrook Planning for on-call services
- Caselle accounting software agreement signed
- Community center windows replaced
- New servers installed
- Draft communication plan
- Draft public art plan
- Watchfire reader board installed
- New community event: Great Pumpkin Walk
- Increased community outreach and social media presence
- Veterans & Service member display installed
- Updated business cards and City Hall door logo
- Dog Park at Mill Creek Park
- Strengthening relationships with legislators
- Fully staffed
- Pacific Power Franchise extended
- SCS Communications Franchise Renewed
- Secured numerous grants for city improvement
- Visor (formerly Sightline) tower rental renewed
- Drilled a new well in Porter-Boone Park**
- Million Gallon Reservoir**
- New Public Works Shop**
- Presentations for LOC**
- Oregon Infrastructure Partners**

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# QUESTIONS?

Call, email, or come by City Hall

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