

City-University Special Project Fund  
*Report Dated August 16, 2013*

**PROJECTS PENDING FROM 2010**

**Campus Sidewalk, Bicycle and Lighting Improvements (2010 - \$104,300)**

The 2010 funds are to provide lighting and sidewalk improvements north of Waters Hall and to install bicycle racks in strategic locations throughout campus. The bike parking project is complete, providing 14 new bike racks and realigning almost every other bike rack on campus to improve efficiency and appearance. The Waters Hall sidewalk and lighting improvements are also completed, along with the landscaping around the building itself. The \$15,000 approved in a separate proposal for lights at the Child Development Center was reallocated to complete the lighting improvements for this project.

**Campus Tree Walk Inventory (2010 - \$5,000)**

Funds were used to label 100 specimens of trees on the campus tree walk and to develop and print maps and brochures highlighting the campus tree walk. The tree walk brochure is completed with the first edition of 5000 copies, distributed around campus and the Manhattan community. The tree identification signs are also installed. The final step - the development of the tree walk into an enhanced phone application using Google Earth to locate different items of interest on campus - is still in the planning stages.

**PROJECTS PENDING FROM 2012**

**Turf and Track Replacement in Memorial Stadium (2012 - \$429,700; 2013 - \$270,300)**

This multi-year project is near final completion as of August 2013. During the summer of 2013, the track and field were entirely replaced. Remaining to be gained are a number of final clearances on small deficiencies with the stadium. Final completion is expected in the coming weeks.

**Pedestrian Lighting along the Trail Surrounding City Park (2011 - \$90,000; 2012 - \$70,000)**

Construction is complete on this project, and the lighting is fully operational.

**Campus Emergency Lighting and Bicycle Path Improvements (2012 - \$20,000)**

Funding of \$15,000 was allocated to provide lighting along the sidewalk at the KSU Center for Child Development (CCD) and the Challenge Course. Another \$5,000 was provided for bicycle path markings around campus. The lighting at the CCD has been installed via a different funding source, so the original

\$15,000 was reallocated to be used for lighting along the main sidewalk between Waters and Cardwell Halls. The painting of the bicycle path markings is being completed in August 2013.

### **Emergency Prevention, Coordination, and Communication (2011 - \$100,000; 2012 - \$50,000)**

Each building will have Alertus (TM) Beacons installed using the ethernet system. Each beacon has flashing lights surrounding a scrolling message and an alert alarm. The system is controlled through the KSUPD Dispatch (911 Center). Each classroom with a student occupancy of fifty or greater will receive one unit, and each hallway will have at least two installed. As of spring 2013, over half of campus buildings had been installed with Beacons.

### **Take Charge Challenge Award Funds (2012 - \$50,000)**

The City of Manhattan and Kansas State University were the winners of the Take Charge Challenge in 2011. The City received the \$100,000 prize through a grant award from the Kansas Energy Office. The grant rules did not allow the City to sub-grant a portion of the award to K-State, so the University was "made whole" by an additional infusion of City-University funds.

The bulk of the money was used to install lighting occupancy controls in the Beach Art Museum facility and to update the existing lighting to LED and CFL fixtures. The remaining money (roughly \$4500) is planned to go toward lighting updates in Justin Hall, to be completed in September and October of 2013.

### **Manhattan Good Neighbors (2011 - \$8,000; 2012 - \$7,300; 2013 - \$4,000)**

Funds allocated to hire student coordinators to continue the Good Neighbors Program to enhance compliance with city ordinances and quality of life in neighborhoods where both permanent residents and off-campus K-State students reside.

MGN holds a number of major events each year, including a student-led clean-up event in the neighborhoods surrounding Aggieville and City Park following Fake St. Patty's Day. Furniture Amnesty Day was again held on July 26, 2013, serving hundreds of households and finding new homes for hundreds of pieces of furniture.

## **2013 PROJECTS**

### **College Heights Rd. Sidewalk Construction (2013 - \$75,000)**

Funds have been allocated to construct a sidewalk on the north side of College Heights Road between Denison Avenue and 17th Street. As of August 2013, construction had begun on the project, with a completion date expected by the start of the Fall K-State semester.

### **Denison Avenue Pedestrian Crosswalk Improvement (2013 - \$72,000)**

Funds were allocated to improve the pedestrian crosswalk across Denison Avenue north of Platt Street. As of August 2013, the timeline for the crosswalk had been delayed in anticipation of the new K-State residence hall being constructed just west of Denison Avenue. While plans are still being finalized, the current goal is to add a crosswalk just south of the Denison Avenue/Platt Street intersection and to remove the existing diagonal crosswalk north of that intersection.

### **Widening of 17th Street (2013 - \$52,000)**

Funds have been allocated to widen 17th Street from Laramie Street to just south of Anderson Avenue. The bid for the project will go out in either late 2013 or early 2014, with a projected construction start date of May 2014.

### **Bluemont Avenue/North Manhattan Ave. Intersection Improvements (2013 - \$55,000)**

Funds allocated to improve the intersection of Bluemont Avenue and North Manhattan Avenue near Aggieville. As of August 6, 2013, the project was just over a third of the way done, on track to completed by November 1, 2013.

### **Triangle Park Sidewalk Improvements (2013 - \$25,000)**

Funds were allocated to replace the sidewalk on the east side of Triangle Park from Bluemont Avenue to Moro Street. Project was awarded to Baril Construction, and the project was completed in August 2013.

### **Aggieville Powerwashing (2013 - \$10,000)**

Funds were allocated to powerwash the streets and alleys in Aggieville. The contract was awarded, and the project was scheduled to be completed by August 16, 2013.

### **Visitor's Center (2013 - \$50,000)**

Funds were allocated to provide support for the proposed Visitor's Center at the intersection of Interstate 70 and Highway 177, in accordance with the feasibility study for the project. The city is currently working through the planning stages of the project.