




To: Jonesville City Council
From: Jeffrey M. Gray, City Manager 
Date: July 20, 2022
Re: Supplemental Information – July 20, 2022 Council Meeting

➤ I recommend that the agenda be amended to add the following item:

6. F. Extend Manager Purchasing Authority – Trickling Filter Repairs [Action Item]

The south trickling filter tower at the Wastewater Treatment Plant has experienced a major mechanical failure. The City is currently operating on only the north tower filters. Representatives from the manufacturer will be on site during the first week in August to diagnose the issue and to develop a plan and scope for repairs.

The cost of repairs is unknown, but are anticipated to exceed the \$10,000 spending authority granted to the City Manager in the City's Purchasing Policy. It is likely that the repairs will exceed the \$20,000 budgeted for facility repairs. However, it is essential that we take the actions necessary to assure that parts are ordered and service scheduled as quickly as practical to bring the facility back online. The components are manufactured by one company and supplied to our facility by a single in-state supplier, so there will be no competitive bids for the project.

I am requesting that Council consider a motion to authorize the City Manager to approve the ordering of parts and scheduling repairs necessary for the repair of the trickling filters, upon consultation with the Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent and Finance Director. Purchases will be reported to the City Council at the next Council meeting, with appropriate action taken to endorse approvals and to allocate additional funds as needed to complete these essential repairs.