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## MEMORANDUM

To: Governing Board  
From: Mark A. Stephens, PE, City Manager *ms* 3/23/17  
SUBJ: CITY PROJECTS UPDATE  
Date: March 24, 2017

The following is an update on City projects currently in progress with the various departments of the City that may be of interest to the Board. Updates from last report in blue. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional details.

<b>Paving Project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Contracts have been executed; expected start April 1</li> </ul>
<b>AMI Prepay Program</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Testing live data with pilot group</li> <li>o Has experienced some delays due to system interface issues between CIS billing and Exceleron software</li> <li>o Estimated completion June 2017</li> </ul>
<b>FY17 Water and Sewer Improvements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Oaks Road portion complete</li> <li>o South Gate community work 50% complete</li> </ul>
<b>MSD Streetscape Project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Pollock Street complete except for Elks Building area</li> <li>o City attorney has reached out to Elks Building project manager to discuss ROW/easement situation</li> <li>o Hancock Street East side concrete is poured; pavers should begin going down next week</li> </ul>
<b>RR Crossings</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Guion St RR Crossing work approved; waiting on DOT for start date</li> <li>o N. Craven RR Crossing: DOT staff approved to do engineering and cost plans</li> </ul>

<b>Thalman Field</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Restroom construction underway; expected completion in May</li> <li>○ Scoreboard in production</li> <li>○ Field equipment, goal posts, etc. to be ordered</li> <li>○ Ribbon Cutting planned for National Police Week in May</li> </ul>
<b>Kafer Park Improvements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ New grass infield and mound complete; creating a warning track</li> </ul>
<b>Other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b><u>First Street Improvements</u></b> – EDA grant approved; lease with community college executed. Awaiting construction. Expect road diet and sidewalks this year</li> <li>b. <b><u>DOT Improvements</u></b> – NCDOT 5-year plan was approved and includes First Street road diet, Neuse Boulevard round about, and the Hwy 43 connector</li> <li>c. <b><u>Water Resources Operations Building</u></b> – Detailed plans in work for Hwy 55 location and Neuse Blvd location</li> </ul>

**AMI Statistics**

<b><u>Customers</u></b>	<b><u>Type</u></b>	<b><u>Utility</u></b>	<b><u>Converted to AMI</u></b>	<b><u>% Complete</u></b>	<b><u>Last Report</u></b>
18,660	Residential	Electric	10,808	57.9%	9,192
3,444	Commercial	Electric	500	14.5%	500
13	Large Industrial	Electric	0	0%	0
15,543	Res/Commercial	Water	4,646	29.9%	4,308

11,730 load management customers with 24,925 installed switches  
1,535 AMI customers with 2,529 switches at 13.1% completion  
29 infrastructure installed gateways