



# Administrator's Report

The city's mission is to deliver exceptional services that sustain and enhance a vibrant, safe and diverse community.

**City Administrator's Report August 8, 2024** prepared for City Council. Kindly forward questions, comments, or suggestions for input to [mdohoney@a2gov.org](mailto:mdohoney@a2gov.org), [ifournier@a2gov.org](mailto:ifournier@a2gov.org), or [shiqqins@a2gov.org](mailto:shiqqins@a2gov.org).

## SAFETY NOTES

**Safety Update** The Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Department (MIOSHA) is encouraging employers to "Take a Stand" for workplace safety during the week of August 12, 2024. The City of Ann Arbor will be participating by shining a light on our safety programs, thanking our employees for their dedication to safety, and inviting MIOSHA's Consultation division to tour our facilities. For more information on Take a Stand Day, please visit the MIOSHA [website](#). A2 Be Safe!

**Thank you for making A2 Be Safe!**

## BICENTENNIAL NEWS

**Happy Birthday Ann Arbor! Bicentennial (1824-2024).** A bicentennial events calendar is available via <https://a2bicentennial.org/events>. Join our year-long celebration to honor Ann Arbor's bicentennial. There are many planned events scheduled to celebrate this historical (2024) milestone, many of which will be fun, educational, unifying and inclusive.



Current Bicentennial Celebration planning progress and opportunities for community involvement are available via [www.a2gov.org/a200](http://www.a2gov.org/a200).

Learn more about more [projects underway and in need of community support](#) — new features to Bicentennial Park (formerly Southeast Area Park); a statue honoring Kathy Kozachenko, the first openly gay person elected to political office (Ann Arbor City Council) in the United States; and restoration of the James L. Crawford Elks Lodge, the fraternal organization founded in 1899 by Black men denied entry into existing fraternal groups.

You can find additional event and bicentennial information at [www.a2bicentennial.org](http://www.a2bicentennial.org). Would you like to collaborate with A2 Bicentennial on your event or do you have an event to add to the calendar? Please email [info@a2bicentennial.org](mailto:info@a2bicentennial.org).

## SUSTAINABILITY & INNOVATIONS

**Sustainability & Innovations Corner.** Catch up on the latest from the Ann Arbor Office of Sustainability and Innovations (OSI). For more information, including registration links, visit [OSI online](#).

- **Home Energy Rebates:** The City is pleased to provide a series of rebates to help advance sustainability, and our A2ZERO goals. This \$1.9 million community investment program is expected to offer over 1,300 sustainability-related rebates to residents across the city. At least 50% of the rebates will be for income

qualified households. Please note that rebates will apply only to projects and purchases completed on or after July 1, 2024. More details available at [osi.a2gov.org/rebates](https://osi.a2gov.org/rebates). Those needing direct assistance applying for a rebate or unable to utilize this website, should email [A2ZEROREbates@michiganenergyoptions.org](mailto:A2ZEROREbates@michiganenergyoptions.org) or call (734) 726-4747.

- OSI is delighted to announce the launch of the **A<sup>2</sup>ZERO Home Energy Advisor**. The A<sup>2</sup>ZERO HEA will provide residents a free home energy assessment, custom decarbonization plans, assistance with project planning and contractor connections, and information about applicable rebates and incentives. Due to high demand, the program is accepting applications to a waitlist. Learn more at [www.a2zerohea.org](https://www.a2zerohea.org).
- **New State bill enables sustainability activities at HOAs!** The Michigan legislature passed and Governor Whitmer has signed new legislation that prohibits Homeowners Associations (HOAs) from limiting access to on-site solar as well as heat pumps, clotheslines and other energy efficiency measures. OSI has published a model energy policy template for HOAs (accessible at: <https://www.a2gov.org/departments/sustainability/Sustainability-Me/Families-Individuals/Documents/Model%20HOA%20Energy%20Policy%20Statement.pdf>), and residents living in HOAs who would like to learn more about how the Solarize ([www.a2gov.org/solar](https://www.a2gov.org/solar)) program might help their communities can contact Connor Dailey at [cdailey@a2gov.org](mailto:cdailey@a2gov.org).
- **Cinema and Sustainability Series – Cooked: Survival by zip code** | Wednesday, August 14, 7:30 PM | Michigan Theater. Join us for the second event in the 2024 Cinema and Sustainability Series at the Michigan Theater! This event will include the screening of Cooked: Survival by Zip Code and a short post-screening discussion about the film’s topics (additional post-screening talk details coming soon). Tickets are available through the Michigan Theater event page linked at: <https://marquee-arts.org/event-page/?showingId=870528&eventId=870527>.
- **Save the Date: A<sup>2</sup>ZERO GREEN FAIR** | Friday, September 20, 2024 | Main Street, Ann Arbor. Green Fair is coming back to downtown Ann Arbor this fall! This annual event highlights the incredible community of stakeholders working to achieve our shared vision of a just transition to community-wide carbon neutrality by 2030. If your organization is interested in tabling at Green Fair, applications are now open at [a2gov.org/greenfair](https://a2gov.org/greenfair).
- **Sustainable Energy Utility (SEU) Webinar** | Wednesday, Aug. 21, 6 – 7 PM | Virtual Join us for a special webinar to learn more about Ann Arbor’s proposed Sustainable Energy Utility, an optional, supplemental community-owned energy utility that would provide 100% renewable energy from local solar and battery storage systems and networked geothermal at participating homes and business in the City. This virtual event presents an opportunity to learn more about the proposed SEU, discover what benefits the SEU could provide, ask questions, and find out what voters will be asked to consider on November 5, 2024. This event is free but registration is required.
- **Air Quality Monitoring** | Friday, Sept. 13, 6 – 7:30 PM | Ann Arbor District Library, Westgate branch Join staff from the City of Ann Arbor’s Office of Sustainability and Innovations and Office of Information Technology to learn about Ann Arbor’s air quality monitoring work. Learn more about our air quality monitoring work and register for the forum.
- **Climate Action in Tübingen, German – What we can learn from Ann Arbor’s Sister City** | Wednesday Sept. 18, 6 – 7:30 PM | Ann Arbor District Library, Downtown Branch Hear from Lord Mayor Palmer of Tübingen, Germany as he shares what Ann Arbor’s Sister City is doing to equitably address the climate crisis and how it can help shape Ann Arbor’s A2ZERO initiative. This interactive session provides a truly unique opportunity to hear directly from representatives from one of Ann Arbor’s Sister Cities about their work to make Tübingen one of the most sustainable cities in the world.

- **Sustaining Ann Arbor Together Grants.** As a reminder, the Office of Sustainability and Innovations operates a grant program to help advance community sustainability-related projects. Grantees can receive up to \$10,000 in funding to implement a project that aligns with our A<sup>2</sup>ZERO plan. If you are interested in joining our team in reviewing the applications, please contact Missy Stults at [mstults@a2gov.org](mailto:mstults@a2gov.org). For more information, visit [www.a2gov.org/sa2t](http://www.a2gov.org/sa2t).
- **Local Food Festival** | Thursday, Sept. 26, 5 – 8 PM | Ann Arbor Farmers Market A community celebration of the beauty and bounty of local food & farming. Sample local foods, exchange your gently used cookbooks, purchase a meal or treat from one of our vendors, enjoy live music, play games, and connect with others in the community. Plus, enter for a chance to win prizes from local businesses! Free to attend.
- **Check out Green Light:** A new series from CTN and OSI that digs into sustainability in Ann Arbor with the residents who are envisioning, creating, and establishing a sustainable and equitable future for our community. Check out the first four episodes at <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLw6eY79a9rp8VTqYvxRst5C0qs8U7dwXE>
- **Subscribe to the OSI Newsletter.** If you haven't already, please subscribe to monthly, detailed newsletter highlighting some of the sustainability-related activities unfolding in the community. If you aren't already, please subscribe at: [https://service.govdelivery.com/accounts/MIANNA/subscriber/new?topic\\_id=MIANNA\\_146](https://service.govdelivery.com/accounts/MIANNA/subscriber/new?topic_id=MIANNA_146)



COUNCIL PRIORITIES/INITIATIVES

**Ordinance Chapter 14, 1:316 Sole/Best Source Data.** Pursuant to changes approved by City Council on July 15, 2019, to [Chapter 14, 1:316](#), attached is the Sole/Best Source data for July 2024 for purchases over \$5,000.

PREVIEWS

**August 8 Council Meeting** will feature the following items of interest:

**Consent Agenda (22).** There are 22 items on the consent agenda.

**Public Hearings (None).**

**Ordinances – First Reading (1).**

- An Ordinance to Amend Section 5.10.2 of Chapter 55 (Unified Development Code) of Title V of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor - Rezoning of 59 Parcels in the Washtenaw Avenue/East Stadium Boulevard Areas to TC1 (Transit Corridor District), (CPC Recommendation: Approval - 8 Yeas and 0 Nays)

**Ordinances – Second Reading (None).**

**Ann Arbor Parks & Recreation Millage to Appear on Nov. 5 General Election Ballot.** The City of Ann Arbor is known for sprawling natural areas, parks bustling with activity and recreation facilities offering diverse programs and amenities suited for all. Later this year, Ann Arbor voters will decide whether to continue to support the principal funding source for park system capital improvements, repairs and restoration programs as the 20-year Park Maintenance and Capital Improvements Millage is set to appear on the Nov. 5 General Election ballot. Ann Arbor City Council approved the ballot question at their June 3 meeting.

The current, six-year Park Maintenance and Capital Improvements Millage expires this year, and the new millage would continue to sustain the parks system 2025 through 2044. More information is available via <https://www.a2gov.org/news/pages/article.aspx?i=1069>

**Natural Area Preservation Events.** City of Ann Arbor Natural Area Preservation (NAP) works to protect and restore Ann Arbor’s natural areas and to foster an environmental ethic within the community. This involves conducting plant and animal inventories, ecological monitoring, and stewardship projects in Ann Arbor’s parks. These tasks are performed by both staff and volunteers. NAP also offers environmental education and enrichment activities for kindergarten- fifth-grade students (K-5), seniors and the general public. NAP is sharing events planned for September 2024. To attend an event, participants are encouraged to preregister using VolunteerHub at <https://cityofannarbor.volunteerhub.com/lp/nap>; registration links to each event in VolunteerHub are also provided with each description.

## Sole/Best Source for July 2024

Unit	Amount	Vendor	Item	Description	Type
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 7,000.00	Suburban Ann Arbor	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	PARTS	Best Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 24,999.00	Truck & Trailer Specialties	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	PARTS/REPAIRS	Sole Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 6,000.00	Zep Sales & Service	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	CLEANING MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	Best Source
Water Treatment	\$ 36,000.00	IDEXX Distribution	LABORATORY SUPPLIES: ASBESTOS SQUARES, CORKS, FILES, GLASS C.17554	WTP: BACTERIOLOGICAL MEDIA AND SUPPLIES	Sole Source
Financial Services	\$ 17,900.00	PFM Financial Advisors	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED).96258	MUNICIPAL BOND FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES	Best Source
Parks & Rec	\$ 75,000.00	Legacy Land Conservancy	*AP Invoice	EASEMENT MONITORING 2/1/24 - 6/30/25	Best Source
Public Works	\$ 24,944.00	Liquid Calcium Chloride Sales	DUST CONTROL AGENTS.75045	32% LIQUID CALCIUM CHLORIDE (WINTER)	Best Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 70,000.00	AIS Construction Equipment	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	PARTS/REPAIRS	Sole Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 110,000.00	Macqueen Equipment	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	PARTS/REPAIRS	Sole Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 90,000.00	Cummins Sales and Service	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	PARTS/REPAIRS	Sole Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 15,000.00	Dows Equipment Service	BUILDING (NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED).91052	GARAGE HOIST, LIFT REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	Best Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 8,000.00	Fastenal Company	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	NUTS, BOLTS & FASTENERS	Best Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 90,000.00	Fredrickson Supply	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	PARTS/REPAIRS	Sole Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 10,000.00	Linde Gas & Equipment	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	WELDING SUPPLIES	Best Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 20,000.00	Trane U.S. Inc.	*AP Invoice	CITY HALL - ROOF TOP CHILLER SOFTWARE PROGRAMMING	Best Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 10,000.00	Saline Chevrolet	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	REPAIRS	Best Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 9,000.00	Moriarty Machinery & Supply	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	PARTS/REPAIRS	Best Source

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WWTP	\$ 10,830.25	Systems Specialties	ACTUATORS AND CONTROLS (FOR ROBOTICS, SERVO SYSTEMS, ETC.).22004	REPLACEMENT ACTUATOR FOR S-6-1 E-1	Sole Source
City Admin	\$ 75,000.00	Dawn, Inc.	*AP Invoice	DEFLECTION PROGRAM-SUPPORTIVE CONNECTIONS	Best Source
Clerks	\$ 35,000.00	Intech Software Solutions Inc	*AP Invoice	CLERK-ELECTION SOFTWARE	Best Source
Sustainability	\$ 7,500.00	D4 Consulting	*AP Invoice	GEOHERMAL GRANT PROJECT	Best Source
Water Treatment	\$ 7,155.00	EMSL Analytical	LABORATORY AND FIELD TESTING SERVICES (NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIF.96148	WTP: CRYPTOSPORIDIUM AND GIARDIA LAB SERVICES	Best Source
Water Treatment	\$ 25,000.00	MG Scientific	LABORATORY SUPPLIES: ASBESTOS SQUARES, CORKS, FILES, GLASS C.17554	WTP: LAB CHEMICALS & SUPPLIES	Best Source
WWTP	\$ 130,900.00	D3W Industries	CHEMICALS, BULK (NOT OTHERWISE ITEMIZED).19036	ODOR CONTROL CHEMICAL (YEAR 3)	Sole Source
IT	\$ 18,007.97	Turnkey Network Solutions	*AP Invoice	FIBER REPAIR (HURON & FLETCHER) - CONTRACTOR HIT	Best Source
IT	\$ 34,889.75	Turnkey Network Solutions	*AP Invoice	FIBER REPAIR (HURON & PLYMOUTH) - CONTRACTOR HIT	Best Source
IT	\$ 34,443.54	Turnkey Network Solutions	*AP Invoice	GLEN AVE PERMANENT REPAIR DUE TO FIBER HIT	Best Source
Systems Planning	\$ 8,002.50	Signs.com	*AP Invoice	ALLEN CREEK SIDEWALK DECALS	Best Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 60,000.00	Interstate Truck Source	*AP Invoice	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	Sole Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 14,392.00	Overhead Door Co of Whitmore Lake	WINDOWS AND DOORS INCLUDING PARTS AND ACCESSORIES.55792	FLEET - GARAGE DOOR WINDOWS	Sole Source
Police	\$ 16,615.38	Axon Enterprises	*AP Invoice	AAPD 15 TASER 7 CERTIFICATION BUNDLE RENEWAL	Best Source
Parks & Rec	\$ 6,460.80	Northwest Pools	*AP Invoice	FULLER POOL CLARIFIER	Sole Source
City Admin	\$ 45,000.00	Home of New Vision	*AP Invoice	DEFLECTION PROGRAM-SUPPORTIVE CONNECTIONS	Best Source
Water Treatment	\$ 9,962.00	Siemens Industry	*AP Invoice	HVAC SUPPORT	Sole Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 15,000.00	Bandit Industries	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	PARTS & REPAIRS	Sole Source

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Fleet & Facilities	\$ 15,660.00	Chargepoint	DATABASE SOFTWARE.20837	EV CLOUD PLANS FOR EV CHARGERS	Sole Source
Safety	\$ 8,655.00	Aclaimant Inc	*AP Invoice	INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM	Best Source
Public Works	\$ 90,000.00	Jack Doheny Supplies	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	2621 PARTS & SERVICE TO MAINTAIN THE VACTOR & RODDING TRUCKS	Sole Source
Fleet & Facilities	\$ 10,175.00	Chargepoint	BATTERIES FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLES (INCLUDING RECYCLED TYPES).06009	CITY HALL POWER MODULE FAST CHARGER #4	Sole Source
Transportation	\$ 245,000.00	Carrier & Gable	TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND CONTROL EQUIPMENT.99892	SIGNAL INVENTORY	Sole Source
Transportation	\$ 130,000.00	Yunex LLC	TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND CONTROL EQUIPMENT.99892	SIGNAL INVENTORY	Sole Source
Clerks	\$ 25,000.00	Palmer Moving & Storage	*AP Invoice	2025 VOTING EQUIPMENT TRANSPORTATION	Best Source
Parks & Rec	\$ 48,229.00	Delta Temp	*AP Invoice	VETS - UPDATE ICE PLANT CONTROLLER	Best Source
WWTP	\$ 11,053.00	Kennedy Industries	PUMPS AND PUMP ACCESSORIES MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR.93662	BACKWASH WASTEWATER PUMPS REBUILD (ALLIS-CHALMERS)	Sole Source
Treasury	\$ 7,695.00	Hylant Group	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED).96258	2023 CLAIMS ANALYSIS FEE	Sole Source