

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
LORENA CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2024 6:30 P.M.
LORENA CITY HALL
107-A S. FRONTAGE ROAD, LORENA TEXAS**

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AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call.**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 3. Citizens questions or comments.**
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- 4. Minutes:**
 - a. October 21, 2024**
- 5. Recognition of Municipal Court Clerk Kaylee Davis on receiving the Distinguished Service Award from the Texas Court Clerk's Association.**
- 6. Discussion and recognition of new employee, School Resource Officer Matt Troup.**
- 7. Oath of office to new School Resource Officer Matthew Troup.**
- 8. Discussion and possible action authorizing the donation of six (6) Level III ballistic shields to the Lorena Police Department**
- 9. Presentation and discussion of City of Lorena utilities.**
- 10. Police Department Report.**
 - a. October 2024 Monthly report**
- 11. City Manager Report.**
 - a. City's financial audit**
 - b. City's Annual Christmas Dinner 12-6-2024**
- 12. Future Agenda Items.**
- 13. Adjourn**

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Monica Hendrix

Monica Hendrix-City Secretary

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING
LORENA CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2024 6:30 P.M.
LORENA CITY HALL
107-A S. FRONTAGE ROAD, LORENA TEXAS**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Roll Call.

Mayor Ross called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. Council members present were Mayor Tommy Ross, Mayor Protem Kelly Yarbrough, Jason Blaneck and Emily McKenzie. Brad Wetzel was absent.

City Staff present were Monica Hendrix, Scott Holt, Kyler Jones, Linda Klump, Kevin Neal and Peter Rivas.

2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Ross led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Recognition of PD Promotions: Lieutenant Peter Rivas and Sergeant Sami Bull.

Police Chief Scott Holt recognized the promotion of School Resource Office Sami Bull to Sergeant.

4. Citizens questions or comments.

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5. Minutes:

a. August 19, 2024

b. August 26, 2024

c. September 3, 2024

d. September 16, 2024

e. October 14, 2024

MOTION: Kelly Yarbrough motioned to approve the minutes listed.

SECOND: Emily McKenzie

FOR: Jason Blaneck, Emily McKenzie and Kelly Yarbrough

AGAINST: None

ABSENT: Brad Wetzel

Motion carried 3-0

6. Discussion and possible action to appoint a candidate to the vacant alderman position for the Lorena City Council.

Carla Pendergraft was the only citizen to apply for the position. Mrs. Pendergraft spoke and informed council she moved to Lorena in 2012. Pendergraft recently retired from the City of Waco after 34 years of service and is ready to give back to her community.

MOTION: Jason BlaneK motioned to appoint Carl Pendergraft to the vacant alderman position.

SECOND: Kelly Yarbrough

FOR: Jason BlaneK, Emily McKenzie and Kelly Yarbrough

AGAINST: None

ABSENT: Brad Wetzel

Motion carried 3-0.

7. Oath of office to appointed candidate as alderman for the unexpired term.

City Secretary Monica Hendrix gave the Oath of Office to newly appointed council member Carla Pendergraft.

8. Discussion and possible action on Ordinance 2024-1021-01 approving a negotiated settlement between the Atmos Cities Steerint Committee (ACSC) and Atmos Energy Corp., Mid-Tex Division regarding the Company's 2024 Rate Review Mechanism Filing.

Tammie Bowman with Atmos Energy was present and explained the negotiated settlement agreement and the new rates that were negotiated. The negotiated Residential rate increase was negotiated from \$6.77 to \$5.52 and the Commerical rate increase was negotiated from \$17.42 to \$13.39 per month. Bowman is requesting council to approve the ordinance for the negotiated settlement.

MOTION: Jason BlaneK motion to approve Ordinance 2024-1021-01.

SECOND: Carla Pendergraft

FOR: Jason BlaneK, Carla Pendergraft, Kelly Yarbrough and Emily McKenzie.

AGAINST: None

ABSENT: Brad Wetzel

Motion carried 4-0.

9. Tammie Bowman with Atmos Energy will present the Fueling Our Energy Future report and upcoming neighborhood replacement project.

Tammie Bowman- Manager of Public Affairs Mid-Tex Division, David Dunn-Operations Supervisor Mid-Tex Division, Tanner Stephens-Field Construction Coordinator and Adam Sulak-Engineer 2 were present to review the Footprint of Atmos Energy. Atmos Energy owns and operates approximately 79,000 miles of natural gas pipelines that serve some the fastest growing and most vibrant communities in the country. Atmos representatives presented the attached PowerPoint with council the process of how natural works and what goes on behind the scene of their operations.

10. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 2024-1021-01 casting votes to elect directors for the McLennan Central Appraisal District for the year 2025.

Kelly Yarbrough spoke and after reviewing the nominees, she noticed that most nominees are incumbents. Yarbrough feels that new blood should be on the Appraisal District Board of Directors. Yarbrough recommended casting three votes each for Dwain Moss, George Chase and Jim Patton that are not incumbents.

MOTION: Kelly Yarbrough

SECOND: Emily McKenzie

FOR: Jason BlaneK, Carla Pendergraft, Kelly Yarbrough and Emily McKenzie.

AGAINST: None

ABSENT: Brad Wetzel

Motion carried 4-0.

11. Discussion and possible action on transfer of 90% of the end of year budgetary net income in the General Fund and Utility Fund to respective Capital Project Funds to save for costly capital projects.

Linda Klump explained the transfers to the council and how the balances in each fund occurred.

Klump explained the balances are revenue above expenditures budgeted.

MOTION: Jason Blank motioned to approve the transfer of 90% of the end of year budgetary net income in the General Fund and Utility Fund.

SECOND: Kelly Yarbrough

FOR: Jason Blaneck, Carla Pendergraft, Kelly Yarbrough and Emily McKenzie.

AGAINST: None

ABSENT: Brad Wetzel

Motion carried 4-0.

12. Presentation of Summary of Cash and Investments and Budget reports as of September 2024.

Linda Klump explained that some of the money in investments are being transferred to CD's to earn more interest.

13. Discussion and possible action on ratifying the cost of repairing the downtown water tower and the well 2 standpipe due to being an un-budgeted emergency purchase paid out of the capital project fund.

Public Works Director Kyler Jones informed council on October 14th the utility department noticed the downtown tower and well #2 standpipe had begun to leak. These repairs are needed to limit water loss and money lost from water leaking onto the ground. During the repairs of these items, the vent on the top of the downtown tower will be replaced. Jones explained without repairs, the city would be out of compliance with TCEQ. The total cost of the repairs is \$20,650.00. There were questions and discussion about what may have caused the leaks.

MOTION: Kelly Yarbrough motioned to expend the \$20,650.00 for the cost to repair the well 2 standpipe and the downtown water tower.

SECOND: Emily McKenzie

FOR: Jason Blaneck, Carla Pendergraft, Kelly Yarbrough and Emily McKenzie.

AGAINST: None

ABSENT: Brad Wetzel

Motion carried 4-0.

14. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 2024-1021-01 authorizing the City Manager to sell and transfer a 2016 Ford Explorer VIN: 1FM5K8AT6GGC36270 from the Lorena Police Department to the Lorena Volunteer Fire Department.

Chief Scott Holt explained that in 2016, the Lorena Police Department purchased a 2016 Ford Explorer to be used as a police emergency vehicle. With the recent acquisition of a 2022 Chevrolet Tahoe, the Lorena Police Department is in a position to sell the 2016 Explorer. After reviewing the fair market value and necessary steps to sell it in the public market, we believe it is better served staying in the City of Lorena and being utilized by the Lorena Volunteer Fire Department. This would allow the vehicle to stay within the City of Lorena and continue serving the Lorena community.

MOTION: Jason Blank motioned to authorize the transfer of the 2016 Ford Explorer from the Lorena Police Department to the Lorena Volunteer Fire Department.

SECOND: Kelly Yarbrough

FOR: Jason Blaneck, Carla Pendergraft, Kelly Yarbrough and Emily McKenzie.

AGAINST: None

ABSENT: Brad Wetzel

Motion carried 4-0.

15. Police Department Report.

a. September 2024 Monthly report.

172 Calls and 197 Traffic stops were made in September 2024.

Holt says there are still two vacancies in the Police Department.

City Manager Report.

b. Cindy Lane project update.

Should be completed by 12/31/2024

c. Update on ARAP projects.

8" water line around old Raymond's Steakhouse building is being installed and will replace a 4" and 6" water line. Neal explained that will be water interruptions during the tie in of the line. Also the 500 KW generator project for the Well #3 is ongoing.

c. Bright Farms update.

Reverse Osmosis plant inside the plant is working through the discharge permit with the City of Waco. Once the permit is received, a temporary Certificate of Occupancy (CO) will be issued.

16. Future Agenda Items.

Kelly Yarbrough informed November 12, 2024 is the next Economic Development meeting.

A planning session to discuss the EDC strategic plan will be on December 10th at 3:00 p.m.

17. Adjourn

Due to no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

These minutes were approved this 18th day of November 2024.

Tommy Ross, Mayor

Attest:

Monica Hendrix, City Secretary

SUBJECT: Discussion and recognition of new employee, School Resource Officer, Matt Troup

BACKGROUND: Today it is with great honor that I am able to introduce our newest School Resource Officer, Matt Troup.

Matt was born and raised in the Waco area and currently resides in Woodway. Matt has two children, and a dog named Scooby.

Matt graduated from MCC with an associates degree in Criminal Justice. He has 13 years of law enforcement experience and is excited to be a part of the Lorena family and looks forward to building many new relationships.

After completing the field training program, Matt will be assigned to the High School campus and report to Sgt. Bull.

RECOMMENDATION:



CITY OF LORENA POLICE DEPARTMENT *"Because of You, We Serve"*

TO: MONICA HENDRIX

FROM: SCOTT HOLT

RE: COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Discussion and possible action authorizing the donation of six (6) Level III ballistic shields to the Lorena Police Department

BACKGROUND: In 2017, after the five (5) Dallas Police officers were killed, Marilie Walker and her son, Carson, began donating ballistic equipment to area law enforcement. These efforts initiated in Williamson County, their county of residency. As the county department's needs were met, the team began to branch out into surrounding areas. In July 2024, Chief Holt was introduced to Marilie Walker. Through conversations and a needs assessment, Marilie and Carson "adopted" the Lorena Police Department as one of their agencies. In October of this year, the Lorena Police Department took possession of six (6) Level III ballistic shields donated by the Walker team.

RECOMMENDATION: City staff recommends the council's review and approval of the donated equipment



Lorena Police Department

<https://www.ci.lorena.tx.us/97/Police>

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City of Lorena Utility Services

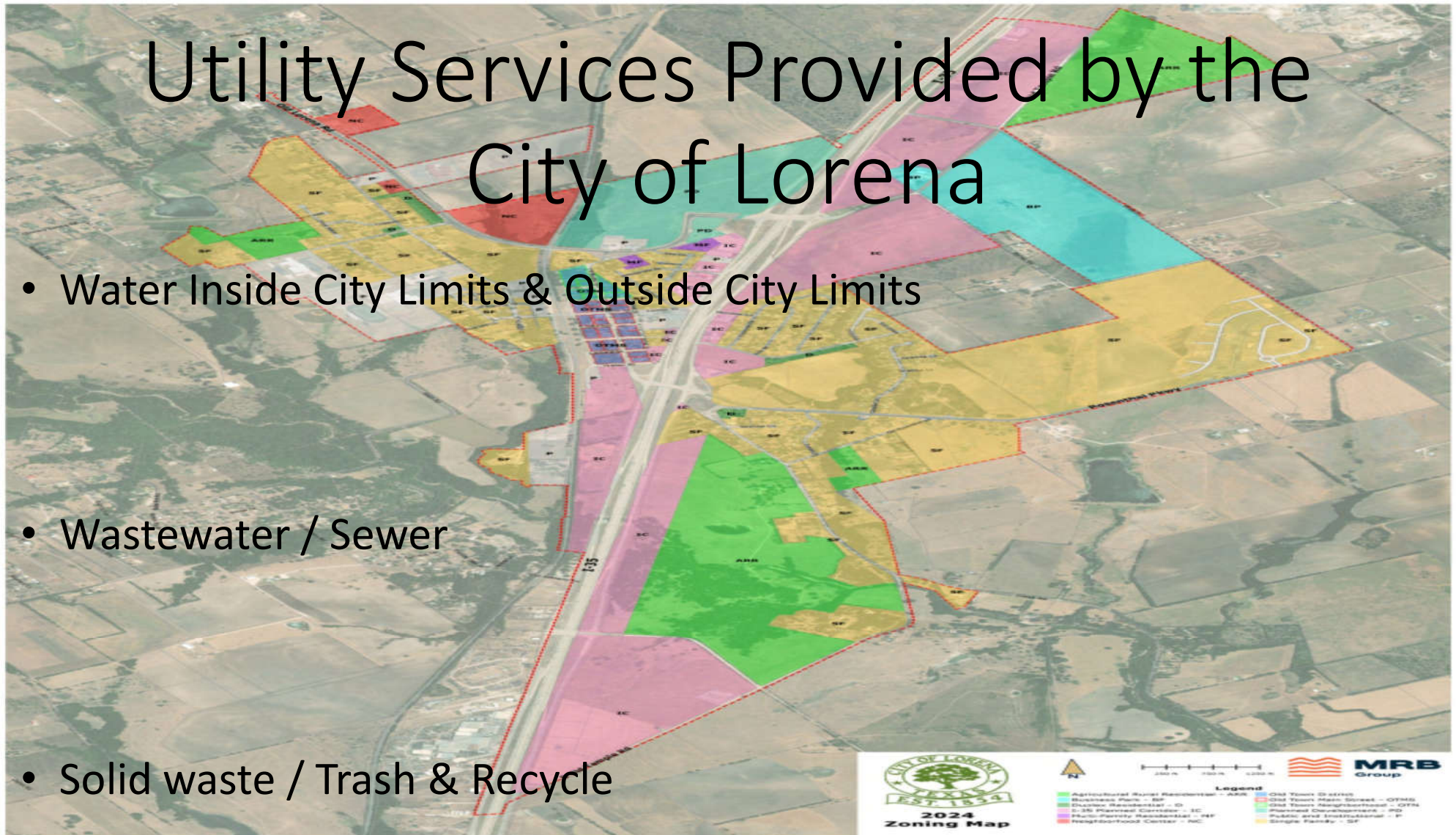
Presented by City Manager Kevin Neal

11/18/2024



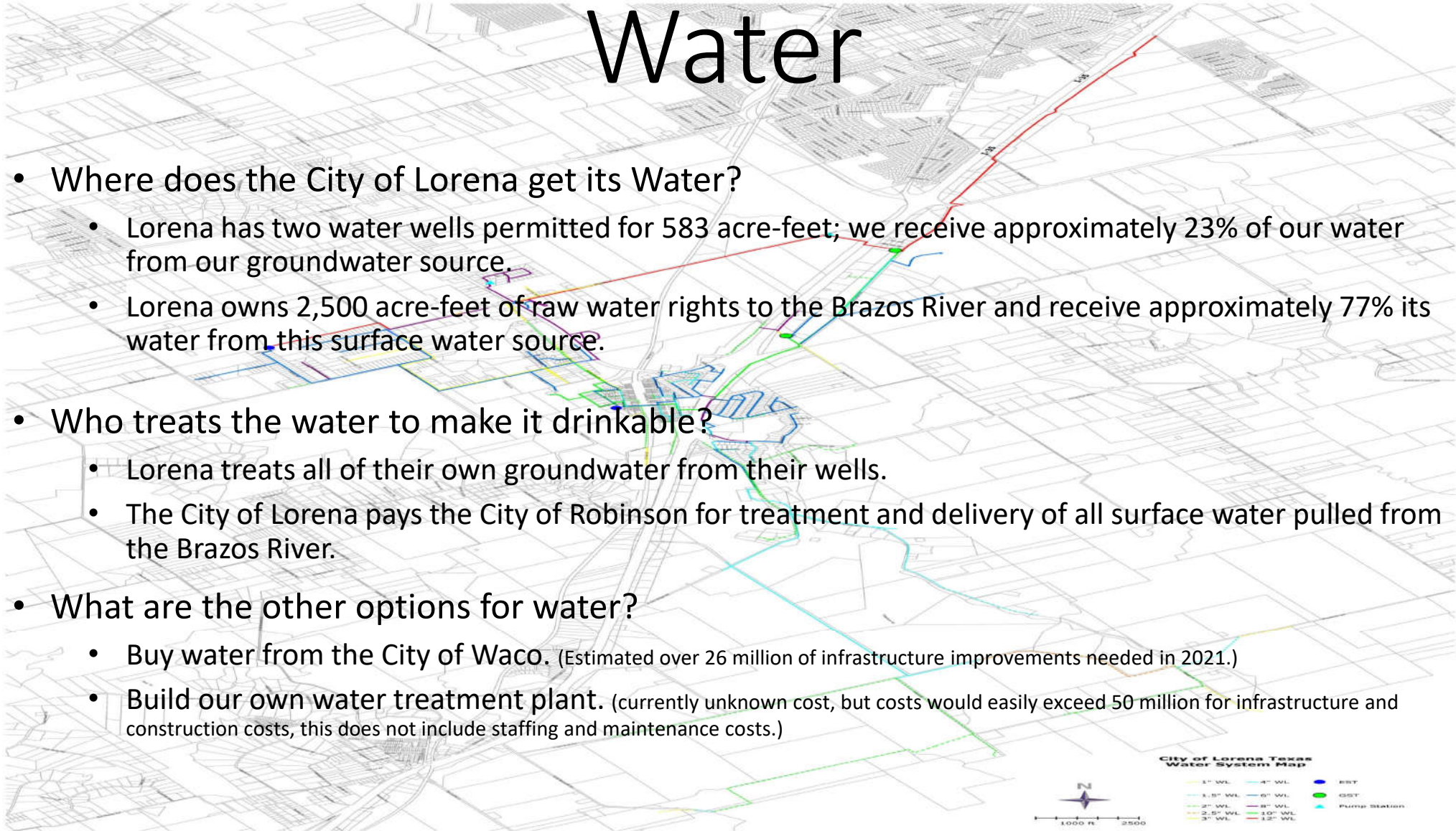
Utility Services Provided by the City of Lorena

- Water Inside City Limits & Outside City Limits
- Wastewater / Sewer
- Solid waste / Trash & Recycle



Water

- Where does the City of Lorena get its Water?
 - Lorena has two water wells permitted for 583 acre-feet; we receive approximately 23% of our water from our groundwater source.
 - Lorena owns 2,500 acre-feet of raw water rights to the Brazos River and receive approximately 77% its water from this surface water source.
- Who treats the water to make it drinkable?
 - Lorena treats all of their own groundwater from their wells.
 - The City of Lorena pays the City of Robinson for treatment and delivery of all surface water pulled from the Brazos River.
- What are the other options for water?
 - Buy water from the City of Waco. (Estimated over 26 million of infrastructure improvements needed in 2021.)
 - Build our own water treatment plant. (currently unknown cost, but costs would easily exceed 50 million for infrastructure and construction costs, this does not include staffing and maintenance costs.)



Sewer

- Where does it actually go when it goes down the drain?
 - Lorena has 6 sewer pump stations that pump to the City of Waco's Bullhide Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- How many cities utilize the Bullhide plant?
 - 3 - Lorena, Hewitt, and Waco.
- Of these cities how many have additional options for wastewater treatment?
 - 2 – Hewitt and Waco have the option to divert wastewater flow to the City of Waco's Central plant.
- Is Hewitt and Waco participating in the Bullhide Expansion?
 - No, Hewitt elected to redirect flow to the Central plant due to the construction costs of the Bullhide plant.
- Can Lorena utilize the option of the Central plant?
 - Unfortunately, no that is not an option due to lack of capacity for Lorena in the Central plant and infrastructure that would be needed to make that possible.
- What other options are there for Lorena to treat sewer?
 - Build and staff our own wastewater treatment plant. (Lorena had this option prior to Bullhide, but elected not to choose this option due to the onerous costs associated with it).





Garbage



- What happens to my garbage and recycle after I take it to the curb?
 - Through a franchise agreement Frontier Waste hauls the garbage to the City of Waco's Landfill, and the recyclable material to Sunbright.
- I thought the City of Lorena ran its own solid waste disposal service.
 - The City of Lorena tried this method in 2014, but was having difficulties with staffing and equipment needs due to the costs of operation. In 2022 the decision was made to franchise our garbage as we did prior to 2014 due to the capital investments needed to successfully continue with a city owned garbage service.
- How many cities in McLennan County operate their own garbage service?
 - 1 – The City of Waco.
- What other options does Lorena have for garbage service?
 - Lorena could go back to a city owned service; however, for a city the size of Lorena the capital costs far outweigh the benefits, and the cost of service would be significantly higher due to capital costs and staffing.

Cost of Residential Water Service

Effective October 1, 2023

Customer Class	Minimum Bill	Volumetric Rate per 1,000 Gallons		
		0 – 2 kgal	2 – 10 kgal	> 10 kgal
Residential Inside	\$26.46	\$7.92	\$8.79	\$10.09

Effective October 1, 2024

	Recommended 3-Yr Revenue Adjustments Projected Increases			Projected Increases			
	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031
Fixed Monthly Service Charge							
Inside City Residential	\$28.31	\$30.29	\$31.20	\$32.14	\$33.10	\$34.10	\$35.12
Volumetric Rates (\$/kgal)							
Inside City Residential							
5 kgal	\$7.42	\$7.94	\$8.17	\$8.42	\$8.67	\$8.93	\$9.20
10 kgal	\$11.13	\$11.90	\$12.26	\$12.63	\$13.01	\$13.40	\$13.80
25 kgal	\$14.83	\$15.87	\$16.35	\$16.84	\$17.34	\$17.87	\$18.40
> 25 kgal	\$18.54	\$19.84	\$20.44	\$21.05	\$21.68	\$22.33	\$23.00

Cost of Commercial Water Service

Effective October 1, 2023

Customer Class	Minimum Bill	Description	Current Volumetric Rates, \$/kgal			
			0 – 2 kgal	2 – 10 kgal	> 10 kgal	
Commercial Inside	\$43.94	Commercial Inside	\$7.92	\$8.79	\$10.09	
1"	\$113.74		0 – 10 kgal	10 – 15 kgal	15 – 20 kgal	> 20 kgal
1.5"	\$148.65	Commercial Outside	\$5.51	\$6.74	\$7.92	\$9.40
2"	\$195.17					
3"	\$305.71					
4"	\$480.29					
6"	\$720.45					
8"	\$1,080.69					

Effective October 1, 2024

Customer Class	Minimum Bill	Description	Proposed Volumetric Rates, \$/kgal
			All Usage
5/8 x 3/4"	\$47.02	All Commercial Customers ¹	\$10.03
1"	\$113.74		
1.5"	\$156.72		
2"	\$250.75		
3"	\$548.52		
4"	\$987.33		
6"	\$2,194.07		
8"	\$3,761.26		

Cost of Sewer Service All Customers

Effective October 1, 2023

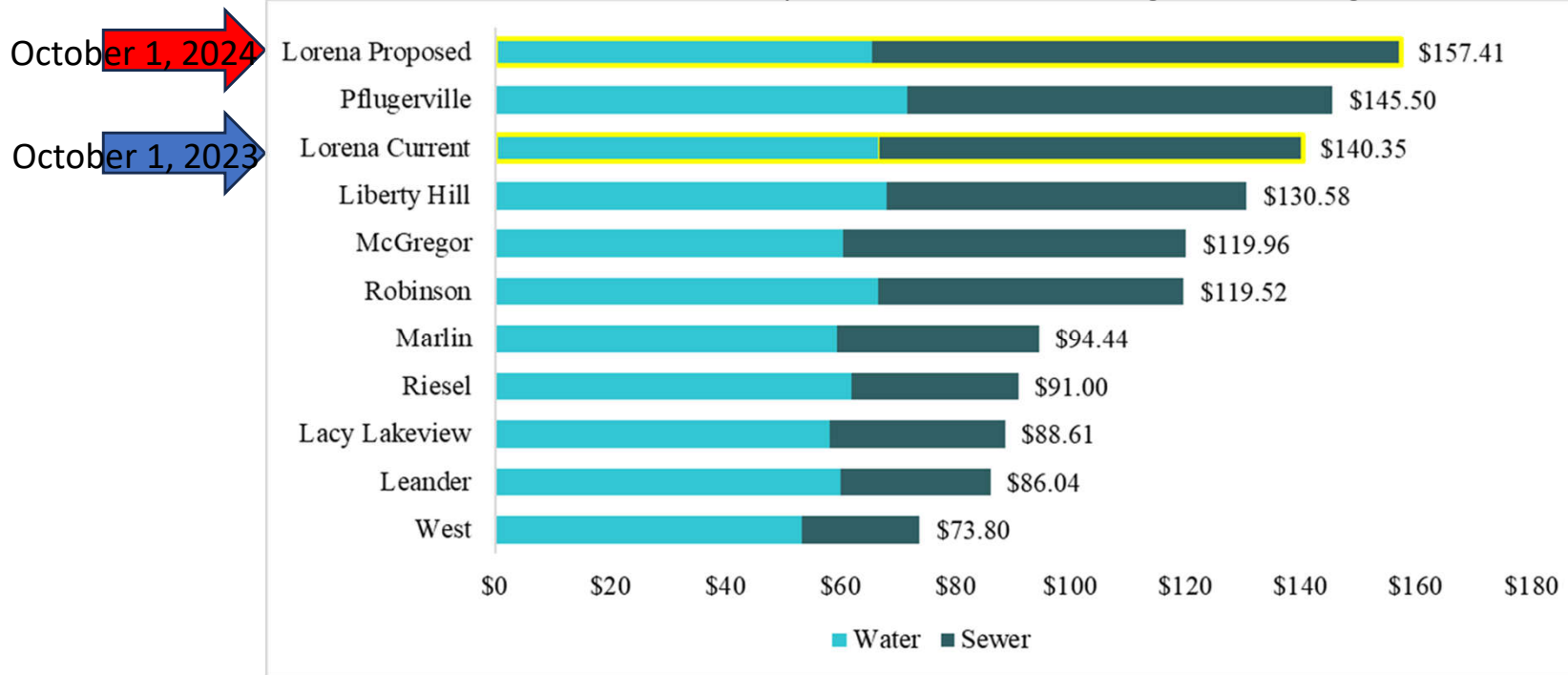
Customer Class	Minimum Bill	Volumetric Rate per 1,000 (AWC)
All Customers	\$50.05	\$5.87

Effective October 1, 2024

	Recommended 3-Yr Revenue Adjustments Projected Increases			Projected Increases			
	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031
Fixed Monthly Service Charge							
5/8 x 3/4"	\$57.56	\$72.53	\$91.39	\$94.14	\$96.97	\$99.88	\$102.88
1"	88.46	111.46	140.44	144.66	149.00	153.47	158.08
1.5"	152.81	192.55	242.62	249.90	257.40	265.13	273.09
2"	230.03	289.84	365.20	376.16	387.45	399.08	411.06
3"	379.00	477.54	601.71	619.77	638.37	657.53	677.26
4"	574.05	723.31	911.38	938.73	966.90	995.91	1025.79
6"	1,051.22	1,324.54	1,668.93	1,719.00	1,770.57	1823.69	1878.41
8"	1,667.52	2,101.08	2,647.37	2,726.8	2,808.61	2,892.87	2,979.66
Volumetric Rates (\$/kgal)	\$8.61	\$10.85	\$13.68	\$14.10	\$14.53	\$14.97	\$15.42

Peer Utility Survey – Residential Average Consumption User Monthly Bill Comparison

5/8" x 3/4" residential (or equivalent) customer (5 kgal water, 4 kgal sewer)



Summary Wrap-up

- If Lorena is going to continue to grow Infrastructure projects must be funded.
- Who recommended the new utility rates?
 - The City of Lorena paid an independent company Raftelis to conduct a in depth rate utility rate study and recommend rates to the City Council based on their findings.
- Why now did Lorena decide to conduct a rate study?
 - The last rate study in Lorena was in 2007 and the recommended rates were not adopted by the City Council as a result of that study.
 - Bullhide WWTP is at capacity and TCEQ requires it to be expanded. Lorena's proportional costs for this expansion are approximately \$12 million in capital costs that results in approximately an 830% increase to Lorena's annual cost for sewer treatment.
- What utility rate increases should Lorena rate payers expect in the future?

	<i>Recommended 3-Yr Revenue Adjustments</i>			<i>Proposed Revenue Adjustments</i>			
	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031
Water Revenue Adjustment	7%	7%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Sewer Revenue Adjustment	26%	26%	26%	3%	3%	3%	3%
<i>Effective Month</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>October</i>

- Lorena garbage customers can expect to see a minimum increase of 5% each year through October of 2026. During the 2026-2027 fiscal year the City of Lorena will be negotiating the next 5 years' worth of rates.
- What do I do if I suspect I have a leak?
 - For detailed information on how to determine if you have a water leak, please visit <https://www.ci.lorena.tx.us/faq.aspx>

LORENA POLICE DEPARTMENT



COUNCIL REPORT
OCTOBER 2024

CALLS FOR SERVICE BY TYPE – OCTOBER 2024

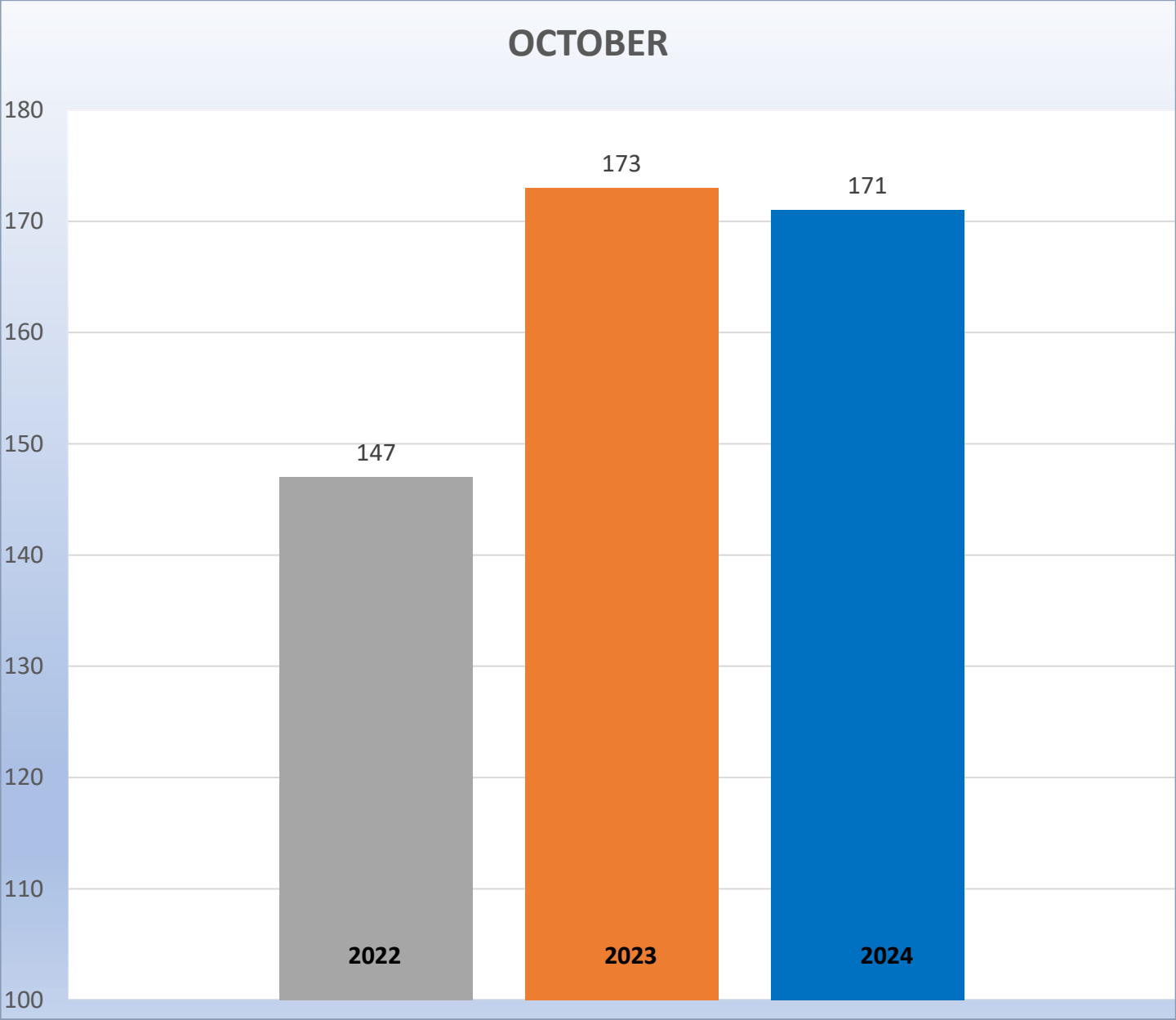
DESCRIPTION	# OF CALLS
BURGLAR ALARM	2
ABANDONED VEHICLE	6
ACCIDENT	14
ANIMAL CALL	1
ASSAULT	1
ASSIST CITIZEN	2
ASSIST MOTORIST	10
ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES	10
ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES-K9	1
BUILDING CHECK	1
BURGLARY	1
CIVIL MATTER	2
DAMAGE TO CITY PROPERTY	1
DISTURBANCE	1
EMS	16
FIRE	5
FOLLOW UP	6
FOOT PATROL	33
GAS LEAK	1
INVESTIGATION OF INSANITY	1
LIFTING ASSISTANCE	2
MUTUAL AID	1
ODOR	1
OPEN GATE	1
RECKLESS DRIVING	2
SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES	3
SUSPICIOUS PERSON	5
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	5
TERRORISTIC THREAT	1
THEFT	2
TRAFFIC COMPLAINTS	8
TRAFFIC CONTROL	1
TRAFFIC HAZARD	14
VCO-SOLICITATION	1
WARRANT SERVICE	1
WELFARE CONCERN	8
TOTAL	171

CALLS FOR SERVICE – DETAILED

- 10/4/2024 – Welfare Check – A male subject called 911 and requested assistance, stating he believed his blood pressure was high and did not know where his was or his name. Officer Bull checked out with the subject, who was sweating profusely and seemed confused. The male was transported to the hospital by ambulance for treatment.
- 10/5/2024 – Assist Other Agency – Officer Greer overheard a report of a shooting on the county radio and responded to assist. Suspect eventually confronted Officer Greer and taken into custody. This call resulted in multiple additional requests to assist Bruceville with additional disturbance calls and officers responding to assist with serving warrants related to the initial incident.
- 10/13/2024 – Traffic Hazard – Caller reported a vehicle in the middle of the road on Callan Ranch close to midnight. The vehicle was found to be unoccupied with no lights on; it was towed from the scene.
- 10/14/2024 – Welfare Concern – Caller reported a female driving in and out of the ditch and appeared confused. Female and vehicle were located in the parking lot of the post office. She stated her foot had gotten stuck on the gas pedal.
- 10/14/2024 – Civil Disturbance – Caller reported having issues with another subject who was continuously parking on the caller's property. Officer Becknauld determined it was a civil issue between the two subjects.
- 10/14/2024 – Welfare Concern – Passerby reported seeing a male lying on the ground near the Old Lorena RD bridge. Subject was located and given a ride to Troy Truck Stop, closer to his destination.
- 10/16/2024 – Assist Fire Department. Several agencies responded to a multiple structure fire on Rosenthal Pkwy. Approximately three structures burned in this fire. Officers assisted with traffic control.
- 10/17/2024 – Welfare Concern – Family members called to request an officer check on an elderly family member. This call resulted in the elderly resident being transported to the hospital for evaluation and treatment.
- 10/17/2024 – Suicidal Subject – Manager at a local business called and requested officers respond to the business to address an intoxicated employee that was recently terminated from employment. The former employee expressed the desire to harm themselves to the manager. The former employee was released to the care of a family member.
- 10/20/2024 – Disturbance – Officers responded to a 911 call of a disturbance between apartment tenants. Disturbance was settled by officers.
- 10/21/2024 – Suspicious Person – Report of an individual sitting under a sign on Interstate 35. Individual was found to have a warrant out of Florida; however, Florida declined to extradite on the warrant. Individual was provided a courtesy ride to Love's Truck Stop.
- 10/27/24 – Snake Call - Officer Greer was contacted to assist a resident with a rattle snake at the Village Place apartments. Officer Greer removed the snake from the property.
- 10/28/2024 – Assist Other Agency (Mutual Aid) – Officers and Lorena Fire Department responded to assist with a crash involving a semi vs car, with entrapment. One subject was extricated and transported to the hospital for treatment.

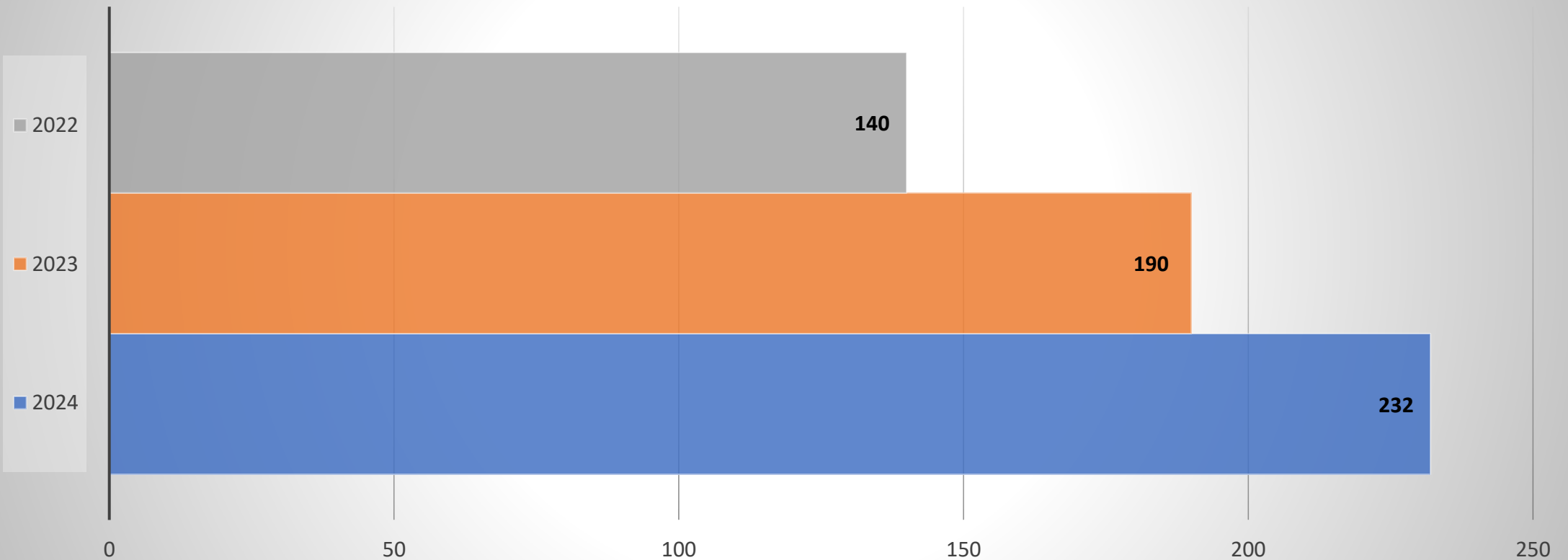


CALLS FOR SERVICE - GRAPH



TRAFFIC STOPS BY LORENA POLICE

OCTOBER



ARRESTS

- **10/5/24 - DWI Arrest - Officer Greer made a traffic stop on a subject for speeding. After contacting the driver and investigating, the driver was subsequently arrested for Driving While Intoxicated. Subject consented to an Intoxilyzer which resulted in a blood alcohol level of 0.130.**
- **10/6/24 - DWI - Officer Greer was called to a crash between a sedan driving the wrong way on the interstate where it collided head on with a Truck- Tractor Trailer. After investigating the driver was arrested after being released from the hospital for DWI and possession of marijuana. Blood results pending.**
- **10/8/24 – DWI - Officer Greer was called to the scene of a crash on IH-35. Driver attempted to pass and cut in after passing and struck a construction equipment trailer. After completing the investigation, the driver was arrested multiple times for DWI. Subject was taken to the hospital to be evaluated. After being cleared, the driver was arrested and taken to MCSO Jail. Blood draw for alcohol concentration was given and results are pending. The subject was also charged with unlawful carry of a firearm.**
- **10/19/2024 – Possession of Controlled Substance – Sgt Bull conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for speeding on Interstate 35. The passenger of the vehicle was found to be in possession of a THC vape and was arrested. Passenger was also cited for possession of drug paraphernalia.**
- **Seven arrests involved Wanted subjects through other agencies, Class C violations, and/or juveniles.**
- **TOTAL ARRESTS - 11**

INVESTIGATIONS

10/11/24 – Terroristic Threat - Officer Greer was called to the Roadster where a former employee had threatened to beat up and shoot the manager. Case Ongoing.

10/22/24 – Theft - Officer Board was contacted regarding a theft in the 400 block of S. Frontage Road on a stolen skid steer from a construction site near Tommy's gas station. The skid steer was equipped with a tracking device and was found to be in the Belton area. Officer Board contacted the Sheriff's office, who located the stolen equipment along with several other stolen items. Case ongoing.

10/27/24 – Theft - Officer Board was contacted regarding a theft of a trailer and other items. Subjects cut fencing and had stripped equipment and items from one trailer, loaded them on to another and took that trailer. Case ongoing.



K-9 DEPLOYMENT/SEIZURES

TOTAL DEPLOYMENTS: 3

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DRUG TYPES: MARIJUANA, DRUG PARAPHERNALIA



School Fun!!!

- Elementary School hosted a first responder's breakfast during red ribbon week.
- Officer Drummond and Sgt. Bull interacting with students. Officer Drummond hosted a donuts and cop stories for a raffle prize.



- Lt. Rivas and Sgt. Bull's promotion ceremony.
- Officer Drummond speaking with kids during red ribbon week.
- Officer Serrato being celebrated for her birthday.





Because of a generous donation, The Lorena Police Department is the recipient of six ballistic shields

I will offer an overview of the shield, but first, I want to introduce you to the Walkers. Marilee and Carson Walker, a mother and son, are advocates of law enforcement safety. In 2017, after five Dallas police officers were shot and killed, Marilee Walker began asking questions. Those questions were focused on ballistic equipment for officers. She found that a large portion of departments did not have the financial support or priority to furnish officers with ballistic equipment such as shields, helmets, heavy vests, etc. From that moment forward, she and her son began donating these items to departments in the Williamson County area. When they felt comfortable, they had outfitted those in need serving Williamson County, and they began to work north, and that is where we come in. I have been in contact with Marilee for several months as we were vetted and accepted as one of her "adopted" agencies. Once adopted, Marilee will contact our organization once a quarter to assess our needs. The shields donated to our department have an MSRP of approximately 17k. We are deeply grateful for their contribution.

Thorboard shields are the shields the Walkers generously donated. Why Thorboard? The owner of the company and the Walkers share the same vision, and Thorboard offers them a discount based on their purchase volume. These Thorboard shields are 1" thick x 20" long x 12" wide and weigh approximately 9 pounds. They, without the white attachment piece, are rated as IIIA. They have been rigorously tested and proven to stop handgun rounds, including 9mm, .357 mag, and .44 mag. **The white attachment, combined with the Thorboard shield, offers level III protection, stopping both .223 and .762 rounds.** This level of protection adds to the safety and security of our personnel.

