

Staff Report

TO: City Council

FROM: Thaxton Van Belle, Director of Water Reclamation

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DATE May 6, 2025

SUBJECT: Follow-Up Report No. 4 – Sewer Mainline Failure and Emergency Repairs

in Fairway Canyon

Description Local emergency due to the sewer mainline failure in Fairway Canyon.

Background and Analysis:

On March 3, 2025, City staff were notified of a major sewer mainline failure in the Fairway Canyon community caused by slope erosion behind Hogan Drive homes. The incident led to a manhole collapse and a subsequent 15-inch sewer mainline failure, resulting in a raw sewage spill and the need for emergency response measures.

On March 4, 2025, City Council adopted a Resolution titled, "A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Beaumont Declaring A Local Emergency And Authorizing The City Manager To Take Necessary Action", which authorized emergency expenditures in an amount not to exceed \$500,000, directed staff to provide ongoing reports at each subsequent City Council meeting under California Public Contract Code Section 22050, and authorized the City Manager to take all necessary actions to mitigate further damage and ensure public health and safety.

On March 18, 2025, staff brought a follow-up status report regarding the emergency repairs in Fairway Canyon. No action was taken, but updated pictures were provided, along with an estimated amount of \$21,000 that has been spent.

On April 1, 2025, staff brought a follow-up status report regarding the emergency repairs in Fairway Canyon. The full financial impact to date was \$432,101, including requisitions added and costs on bypass pumping, equipment, and fuel. Staff were approved for an additional \$500,000 to increase the total allocation to \$1,000,000 to cover the costs for repairs.

On April 15, 2025, staff provided a follow-up regarding the emergency repairs in Fairway Canyon, which included construction progress updates with pictures and expenditures paid to date.

Construction activity update from April 15 to April 22, 2025:

- April 15: Demolition of the concrete disassembled and staged for removal.
- April 16: Forming and pouring of the new sidewalk was done.
- April 17: Sod was laid.
- April 18: Forms and caution tape were removed.

The costs are displayed on the table below:

Expenditures as of April 22, 2025	Encumbered		Amount Spent	
Fuel for bypass pumps	\$	2,346.00	\$	3,640.00
Miscellaneous equipment	\$	1,294.00	\$	1,294.00
Charles King (Bypass pumps)	\$	40,000.00	\$	23,552.00
Weaver Grading	\$	389,500.00	\$	295,000.00
Total	\$	432,101.00	\$	323,486.00

Below are updated photos from the worksite:



Figure 1 – Completed New Sidewalk



Figure 2 - New Sod

Fiscal Impact:

Labor and material costs are being tracked to identify further expenses. A future budget amendment may be necessary to support ongoing emergency response and repair efforts.

The estimated cost to prepare this staff report is \$300.

Recommended Action:

Direct staff to return at the next Council meeting with a follow-up report on emergency response efforts, expenditures, and timeline updates.