



Dear Neighbors,

On March 1st Indianola voters overwhelmingly supported the implementation of a local option sales tax, which will become effective July 1st. Regardless of how you voted, the voter turnout for the March 1st election shows that you were engaged, informed and cared about what is happening around you. We at the City also recognize that the results of this vote means much more than money coming in to fund a much needed project. The results of the vote represent the tremendous amount of trust and confidence you have placed with us as we work to represent you and better position our community. Thank you!

It's no secret rumors tend to circulate quickly. No sooner were the results published that there were some swirling and so we want to set one straight right now - 100% of the funds raised by the new Local Option Sales Tax will be used on the wastewater treatment plant project. Funding from this tax will not be used in courthouse renovations, road repair, or any other project that does not further the construction of a new wastewater treatment plant. As your elected representatives, we want to make that commitment very clear.

Communication, education and transparency are key factors for any local government, and as you have seen with recent city efforts, we did our best to ensure the community had the correct and factual information needed to make an informed decision. We promise to continue on our positive path forward and commit to maintain the trust you have placed with us. Accordingly, we will continue to post updates and information regarding the construction of the new wastewater treatment plant, along with other projects, on the City of Indianola website www.indianolaiowa.gov. We urge you to visit the site often and stay engaged.

Sincerely,

Kelly Shaw
Mayor

John Parker Jr.
Council Member 1st Ward

Brad Ross
Council Member 2nd Ward

Shirley Clark
Council Member At Large

Pam Pepper
Council Member At Large

Joe Gezel
Council Member 3rd Ward

Greta Southall
Council Member 4th Ward