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CITY MANAGER'S REPORT TO COUNCIL May 7, 2014 Council Meeting

KEY PROJECTS/PROGRAMS

- Public Service Recognition Week: This week is Public Service Recognition Week and today Council will issue a Proclamation honoring the work of our City of Hudson employees and volunteers. I would like to personally acknowledge our outstanding team, and I appreciate the dedication, commitment and enthusiasm of staff and volunteers who serve the citizens of Hudson. I am proud to serve with each and every one of you.
- HCTV Channel Changes: Time Warner Cable began making its channel changes this week, which includes moving our Hudson Cable Television channels 15, 16, and 17 higher up the dial. Those who have a digital cable package, the channel numbers will remain the same... 966, 967, and 968. For those without a digital package, the channels will move to 96.15, 96.16 and 96.17. However, you may need additional equipment to receive those new channels. For more details, visit our website or call Time Warner to make sure you continue to receive the quality programming that our Hudson Cable Television has to offer.

SEASONAL ACTIVITIES

• **Memorial Day Parade:** I want to remind everyone that this year's Memorial Day Parade will kick off at 10 a.m. at the corner of Rt. 303 and Rt. 91. The parade marches north on Rt. 91 to Markillie Cemetery where a ceremony for veterans will be held. We look forward to seeing everyone there. Please note that our City offices will be closed on May 26th, Memorial Day.

Update on the Grant Request for Hudson's Permanent Safety Town Project

Through the diligent efforts of City staff and the Safety Town project team since our discussion at the April 22nd Workshop, City staff has identified a combination of in-kind work and a financial grant totaling up to \$10,000 to assist this important community project.

In summary, I recommend that the Hudson Public Works Department staff provide \$6000 of in-kind materials and work for electrical items and traffic control items, and the Hudson Fire Department grants up to \$4,000 (as needed if the fund raising pledge goal is not met) of financial support to the project in the name of the "Children who have Benefited, or will Benefit from Safety Town.

I hope City Council members accept my recommendation to provide a combination of in-kind work and a financial grant and appreciate the spirit of cooperation demonstrated between the City, Hudson School's, and the Safety Town project team to make this important project a reality.