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# AGENDA

**Fort Smith Board of Directors**

**STUDY SESSION**

**August 10, 2021 ~ 6:00 p.m.**

**Blue Lion**

**101 North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street / Room B**

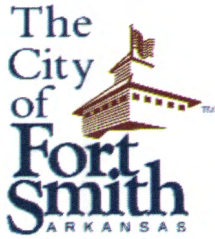
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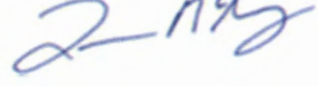
**CALL TO ORDER**

1. Update regarding Massard Water Reclamation Facility ~ *Requested at the August 3, 2021 regular meeting ~ (Utility)*
2. Review preliminary agenda for the August 17, 2021 regular meeting

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UTILITY DEPARTMENT  
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Carl E. Geffken, City Administrator  
**FROM:** Lance A. McAvoy, Utility Director   
**SUBJECT:** Study Session: Massard Water Reclamation Facility Tricking Filter  
**DATE:** August 4, 2021  
**CC:** Jeff Dingman, Deputy City Administrator

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At the June 8, 2021, Directors' Study Session, Garver and Utility Staff provided a tour of the Massard Water Reclamation Facility and presented the findings of the evaluation of the facility.

One of the major findings from this evaluation is the decline and possible failure of the facilities trickling filter treatment process. The concern with the trickling filters failing is reduced treatment capacity and resulting sanitary sewer overflows that would allow untreated wastewater to be discharged into the Arkansas River.

On August 3, 2021, the Board of Directors asked that a plan be presented to replace the trickling filters. Staff will present the overall plan for replacement of the trickling filters, the process chosen for design and construction of the replacement plan, and the proposed timeline. Additionally, staff will propose emergency actions that could be taken in the event the filters were to fail prior to completion of the replacement.

Please contact me should you or any of the Board have any questions.