

## BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL YAKIMA, WASHINGTON AGENDA STATEMENT

Item No. 13.B.

For Meeting of: April 15, 2025

ITEM TITLE: 2024 Clean City Annual Report (General Fund)

SUBMITTED BY: Scott Schafer, Public Works Director

**SUMMARY EXPLANATION:** 

The Clean City Program was established as a quick response unit to address blight within the City of Yakima. Under the direction of Public Works, Clean City is a coordinated interdepartmental effort primarily involving Public Works, Codes, Legal and Police.

The primary objectives of the Clean City program are to:

- Address visual blight (trash, graffiti, dangerous buildings, abandoned vehicles, etc.)
- Perform necessary and unscheduled collection of waste and litter from the City's public rights-ofway
- Expediate the clean-up of such illegal dumps
- Clean up homeless encampments
- Support Yakima Police Department officers in unlawful camping enforcement
- Provide coordination with neighborhoods for annual clean-up events
- Create educational materials
- Engage with community partners and volunteers

Below is a summary of accomplishments for 2024:

Graffiti Incidents Abated	4163
Shopping Carts Removed	675
Homeless Individuals Contacted	5880
Homeless Encampments Cleaned	105

Illegal Dump Sites Cleaned	2236
Garbage Removed (Tons)	136.9
Tires Removed	725
Pressured-Washed Areas	34
Inoperable Vehicles	1
Dangerous Buildings	13

Attached in greater detail for City Council review is the 2024 Annual Clean City Report.

ITEM BUDGETED: Yes

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 24-25: A Safe and Healthy Yakima

**RECOMMENDATION:** 

**ATTACHMENTS:** 

2024 Annual Stats.xlsx