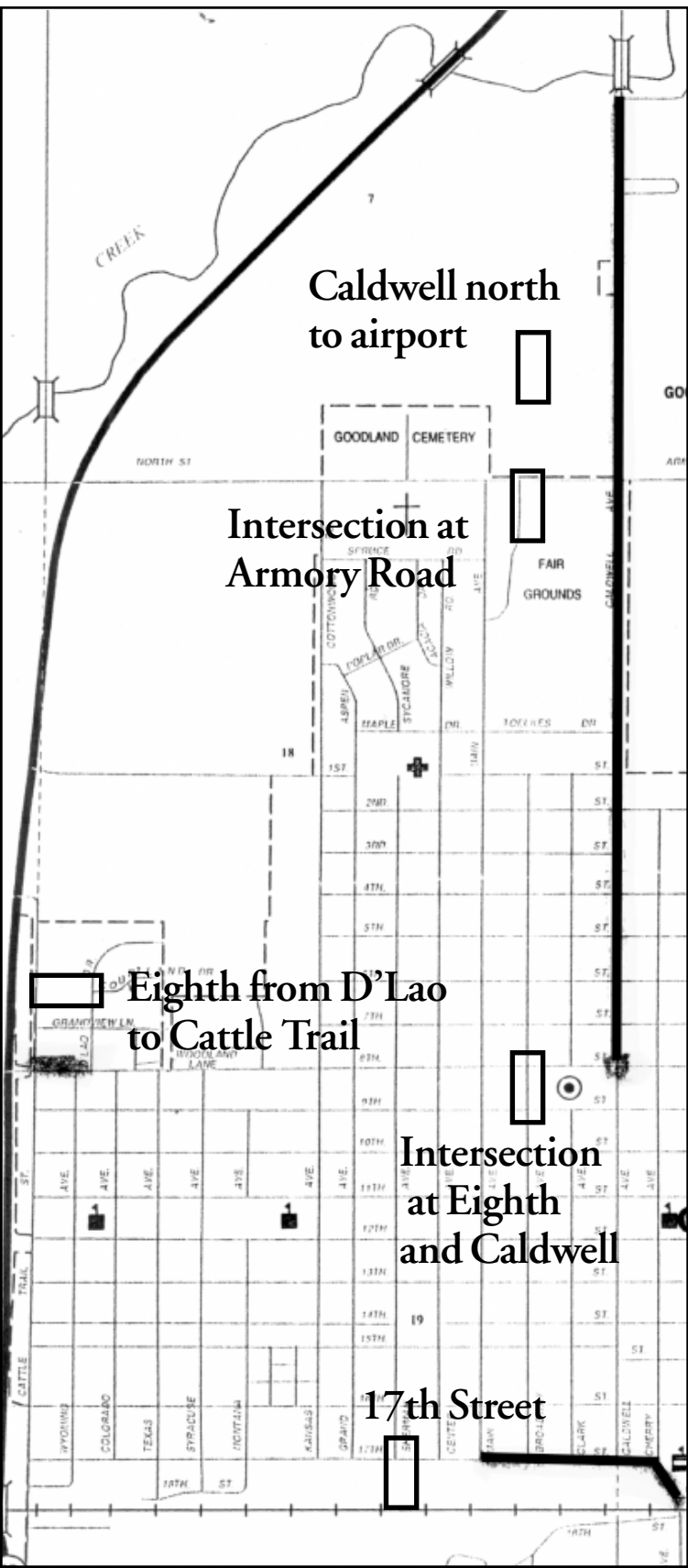


Map of Sherman County roads to be rebuilt as part of the joint city-county road improvement program tied to the approval of the one-cent sales tax.

Main thoroughfares top priority of road program



Map shows city streets to be rebuilt as part of the joint city-county road improvement program.

Road vote today

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people of Sherman County.”
The city and county commissioners have been talking about the road improvement program wherever they could, and last week spoke at Wheat Ridge Acres and the Goodland Senior Center.
Rasure said he thought the presentations went well, and there were some good questions. He said he felt the people were interested, and

most expressed support for the program.
The roads in the joint project are the major entrances to the city, Rasure said, and the main farm-market artery of the county.
Darin Neufeld, engineer for Evans, Bierly, Hutchison and Associates, who has been working with the city and county on the project, said the city commission has looked at the city streets in the list for over two years.

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The rough-and-tumble intersection at Caldwell and Eighth, where the subgrade has broken down, may be the worst single spot in the city’s road improvement plan.
For Sherman County, old U.S. 24, the main east-west thoroughfare, is the top priority, along with roads serving the new Goodland Energy Center.
Darin Neufeld, engineer for Evans, Bierly, Hutchison and Associates, said the city plans to replace the Caldwell intersection with a new subgrade and concrete paving to make it smoother and prevent the problem from reappearing in a few years.
Caldwell north from Eighth to the airport entrance has similar prob-

lems, Neufeld said, especially from the Armory Road intersection north, where the sides of the road are flaking off.
The intersection at Armory Road and Caldwell is to be replaced with concrete to handle traffic going to the county fairgrounds.
Neufeld said the replacement of the bricks, concrete patches and asphalt on 17th Street with concrete will be a big improvement. He said that is another major truck route, and the concrete will handle the loads better, especially during the harvests when trucks unload at the elevators along the railroad.
Curt Way, county public works director, has said there are two areas of old U.S. 24 that will take the most work. He said there is about

two miles from Edson west, and a couple of miles east of Kanorado. He said these sections have subgrade problems, and repairs will probably take more than a simple milling and overlay.
The area near Edson was re-worked with a hot in-place recycle when the road was chip sealed in 1999 as part of the first highway improvement program, but that was seven years ago.
Most of the 33 miles of old 24 will be milled off and then overlaid with asphalt, Way said. The work plan will have to be determined by an engineer if the sales tax passes.
Commissioners Kevin Rasure and Mitch Tiede think the same problems plague the five miles of County Road 65 — better known as

Eighth Street — west of K-27, and parts of the road may require subgrade work.
Neufeld and Way have looked at the County Road 14 section from Eighth down to old U.S. 24. With sales tax money and an \$800,000 economic development grant from the state, the county plans to repave this road with concrete to handle heavy truck traffic.
The existing road has been falling apart under the trucks going to the Northern Sun plant.
Way said the county put the section of County Road 14 on the state five-year plan, but if the sales tax passes, they may switch that designation to the stretch of Road 14 south of old U.S. 24 to the I-70 interchange.

Road project estimates total \$12.2 million

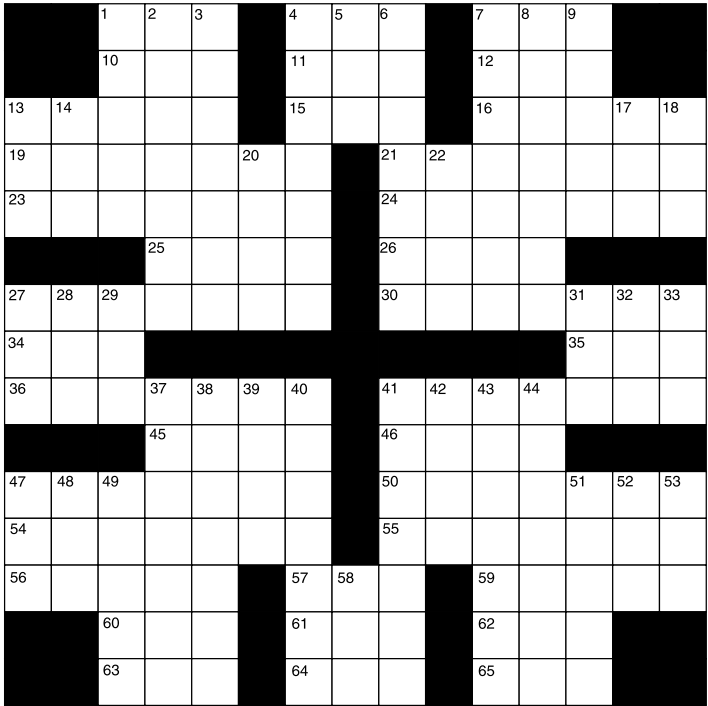
Here are the roads included in the city-county rebuilding plan, with preliminary cost estimates, including design and engineering:
CITY STREETS
Caldwell Ave. — \$1.3 million. Replace the intersection at Eighth (\$222,585) with concrete; upgrade storm sewers north from Toelkes to the bridge (\$732,436); replace intersection at Armory Road with concrete; and in-place cold recycle from Toelkes to bridge with six inches of new asphalt; Eighth to Toelkes (\$322,687) six inch mill and overlay.
Eighth Street — \$220,437, from D’Lao Dr. to Cattletrail, replace with eight inches of asphalt and improve road base.
Seventeenth Street — \$1.7 million, from Cherry Ave. railroad crossing to Main, replace brick and asphalt with and eight-inch concrete street and upgrade storm sewer.
Total Streets — \$3.2 million
COUNTY ROADS
County Road 64/64.2 (old U.S. 24) — \$5.2 million, all 33 miles across the county, mill three inches and do a three-inch asphalt overlay. Some sections would require sub-base work or deeper milling.
County Road 65 (Eighth Street west of city) — \$2.7 million for five

miles of Road 65 and one mile south on County Road 14 past Northern Sun at Caruso to old U.S. 24.
The city and county requested grant money from the state to make the mile of County Road 14 a concrete road because of the Goodland Energy Center, at an estimated cost of \$2,355,000. In January, the county won \$800,000 through the state as an economic development project.
County Road 16 — \$321,000 — one mile between County Roads 64 and 65. This would pave the gravel road with a five- or six-inch asphalt surface and include build up of sub-base and drainage.
Total County Roads — \$8.25 million (\$9.05 million with the added cost of concrete for County Road 14)
Total combined projects — \$11.4 million (\$12.2 million with the added cost of County Road 14)
SALES TAX REVENUE
A one-cent countywide sales tax would raise about \$1.2 million per year, based on the average total collections of the past three years.
The city and county plan to do the projects over a two- to three-year period. Sales tax revenues should pay off the bonds in 12 to 15 years. The one-cent sales tax would end when enough money has been collected.

Based on the past three years of sales tax collections by the city and county, an average Sherman County household (2,758 homes in the 2000 census) pays \$441 per year

for the current one-cent sales tax. Based on a population of 6,277 for the county, as certified by the state in 2004, each person pays \$194 in sales tax to the city and county.

Crossword Puzzle



CLUES ACROSS

- Doctors’ group
- One point north of due east
- ___ ography: breast exam
- Juniper berry flavored liquor
- River (Span.)
- Fractional part (Fr.)
- Lack of physiological tone
- Publicities
- Liabilities
- Int’l relief organization
- Blacknesses
- Put to the test
- Incompetent
- Islamic ruler or chief
- Battle of the M___ (WWI)
- Otiose
- Piecemeal
- Supervises flying
- Norman Roc___ll, painter
- Endocrine gland
- In an angry way
- Long skirt
- One point east of northeast
- Uncovers
- Cuts indiscriminately
- Neck garments
- Marine bivalve mollusks
- Wipe out recorded information
- An awkward stupid person
- Door swinging device
- Costa del ___, Spain
- ___ Farrow, actress
- ___ Lilly, drug company
- One or another
- Stray
- Substance for coloring

CLUES DOWN

- A gathering place
- Least possible
- Whenever
- Devices to remove chalk
- Auction offer
- Horse feeding gear
- ___, pop star
- Revenged
- Oil company
- Highest card
- Make rigorous demands
- Golf ball platform
- Was United ___ (abbr.)
- ___tasia, royal pretender?
- Prickly seed vessel
- A city in European Russia
- Woebegone
- Used for hearing
- Ukelele
- Shoemaker’s tool
- ___den jar: elec. capacitor
- Ralph Waldo ___
- Acts in an inexperienced way
- Shaft on which a wheel spins
- Gracefully slender
- Thence (3 words)
- Count on
- Embarrassed
- With irritation
- Manipulation
- Company that rings receipts
- Seaport in Finland
- Sonia ___, skater

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