The City of Osage City is proud to own and operate all of the major utilities within the City. The City owns and operates the Electrical, water, sewer, gas, and trash removal services. As a result of this common ownership and control, the City stands ready to work with new industrial clients on an incentive program based upon the utility of most importance to the customer.

Electricity: Osage City is the second oldest municipal electric generating facility in Kansas dating back to the fall of 1890. The city owns both the generation and distribution of electricity in the City of Osage City. A distinguishing feature of Osage City's electrical supply is that the City purchases electricity from: Evergy, WAPA, GRDA, and a Solar joint venture.

In addition to these purchase arrangements, the City owns and operates a dual fuel (nat. gas and diesel) power plant with the capacity to support 100% of the demand if no other energy sources are available. The City has also invested $3 million in two new CAT generator 2.25 MW engines that are push button start and auto sync.

The City has transformer capacity of 13MVA with average monthly load of 3.756 mWh over the most recent year and a peak load of 8.2 mWh in that same time period.

With this wide range of resources, The City feels confident that they have the ability to service almost any foreseeable need a manufacturer may have. The upside of this infrastructure is that Osage City can offer very competitive electrical rates with unparalleled low outage periods in both count and duration in a given year.

Water:

The City has two sources of raw water for production (Melvern Lake and Osage City Lake) for usage in both the local system as well as supporting several surrounding entities. Other entities receiving water from Osage City include: The City of Burlingame, RWD #6, RWD #7, Reading, KS, and the City of Harveyville. In 2023, Osage City supplied 99,418,000 gallons to these entities.

Regarding capacity, the city can produce a max volume of 1.6 million gallons per day while we currently only produce an average of 487,800 gallons per day. This demonstrates the city's capacity to provide a much larger volume of water than it is currently producing and the ability to support a large commercial customer.

The combined results of dual sources and being a producer for multiple entities is that the fixed costs of water production are shared over a broader customer base resulting in lower costs for all users.

Osage City has commissioned a rate study and the results will help to support a planned water plant upgrade like to cost around $6 million dollars.

Wastewater:
The City of Osage City is currently engaged in a ten-phase sewer improvement project with 4 phases completed and the city has a $1-million-dollar financing instrument in place to complete phase 5. This will bring the total new investment in the system to $5 million dollars.

The city operates a three-cell mechanical sewage treatment facility with cell #1 recently dredged. After all phases of the wastewater collection system have been addressed, a decision will be made at that time regarding the necessity of the construction of a new mechanical treatment facility.

Gas distribution:
The city currently operates the gas distribution system throughout the city including the industrial customers. The city has five licensed operators on staff to ensure that the service remains predictable and safe for the community at large.

Trash collection:
The city owns and operates the trash collection within the city and provides retail residential customers with poly carts for curbside collection. The city also provides a variety of sizes of dumpsters ranging from two-yard capacity to six-yard capacity for commercial clients. Commercial clients are currently scheduled for M-W-F pick-ups.

With this comprehensive approach to utilities, Osage City feels uniquely positioned to develop a utility package for new businesses that will enhance their operating experience within the city. The single source, capacity, and predictability of city utilities, combine to ensure that businesses are able to enjoy consistent, affordable service.