Projects and Budget Suggestions for 2005

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Equipment Painting/Rebuilding.. \$134,000

We need to keep our momentum on painting/restoring equipment. I feel we should repaint at least 1 locomotive, rebuild at least 1 locomotive, and repaint 2 or 3 cars/cabooses.

I propose we work on the following:

Rebuild	WP 921-D F7A	\$25,000 for 2005 (complete in 2006)	
			\$16,000 from bequeathment
Repaint/Repair	WP 731 GP9	\$12,000	from GP9 fund
Repaint/Repair	WP 705 GP7	\$10,000	new fundraiser
Repaint/ADA	MP bay window ADA	\$8,000	general fund
Repaint	WP orange feather box	\$5000	new fundraiser
Repaint	TS 520 boxcar	\$5000	new fundraiser
Restoration	Pullman 8300 Troop Slpr	\$10,000	grant
Repaint	WP 483/484 cabooses	\$8000	from general fund
HEP system design for cars		\$5000	from general fund
Cosmetic	WP 165 0-6-0	\$20,000	already in fund
Restoration	Silver Hostel	\$35,000	already in ZP fund and new fund

Would highly recommend that we paint the 731 and 705 in Perlman Green. Do the 705 in stripes and the 731 in WP initials. I think its about time we show some new green.

Library and Archives.. \$4000

Facilities Items.. total \$50,000

Landscaping.. \$2000

For trees and foliage for the Picnic Area and the area near the Sewer Plant.

Shop Upgrades.. \$28,000 \$20,000 - tools \$8000 - upgrades

For purchase of tools (both hand and power), rebuilding of woodshop and tool room, improvement of shop area and acquisition of storage lockers for tools, parts, paint, etc. Funds would completely reequip woodshop and make it functional. New tool checkout system and storage would be implemented.

Diesel Shop Improvements.. \$10,000

\$6000 for gutters and ground drainage around the building, including expanded awnings over critical doorways to keep snow away. \$4000 for insulating and drywalling to new Gift Shop and installing efficient natural gas wall heaters.

Volunteer Ramp/Deck.. \$2000

For completion of ramp/deck work.

Silver Debris Lounge.. \$4000

For completion of Volunteer Lounge.

Chain link Fence Installation.. \$10000

For installation of the chain link fence around the Hospital property.

Magnolia Tower.. \$17000

Pour foundation slab, install utilities items and reassemble building. Probably should be new fundraiser.

Diesel Shop Walkway and ADA Lift.. \$36,000

Construct additional walkways as approved and purchase wheelchair lift. Modify MoPac caboose with chair tie-downs. Repaint caboose.

Signage.. \$5000

We need to create and order additional signage and begin adding Braille signage around the museum. I have completed a new design sign holder that will be much more robust than the "temporary" wood backed sign stands now in use.

Displays.. \$5000

We need new display racks and cases. We also need a new Guest Register and Literature Area and new frames, mattes and signs for the photos in the Beanery.

Network/Computer Systems.. \$3000

Network plan is in development to include networking for the whole facility, high speed internet access and workstation specs. Also, we will need to do some equipment acquisition and upgrading for the On-Line Store.

Trackage Improvements.. \$15,000

Our track infrastructure is coming in need of serious work. We need to build the Parking Lot Display Track and the associated House Track to provide more operational flexibility and storage.

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