

CITY MANAGER REPORT

JANUARY 22, 2009

FOR CITY COMMISSION MEETING JANUARY 26, 2009

1. WORKSHOPS

March 9 – 6:15 p.m.

Comp Plan Amendments

April 27 – 6:00 p.m.

Financial Trends Workshop

June 22 – 4:00 p.m.

Preliminary Budget Workshop

July 13 – 3:00 p.m.

Budget Workshop

July 27 – 4:00 p.m.

Budget Workshop

2. NEW FIRE RESCUE UNIT ON DISPLAY

Chief George Shiley and his crew will have the new Fire Rescue unit on display at 7:15 p.m., Monday evening, January 26, outside City Hall for you to take a look.

One of the new features includes a power stretcher which was acquired with 75% state funding. It is battery operated with the legs extending to the ground so that the stretcher is at the level of the deck of the rescue unit and can be wheeled on. This is a safety measure to avoid drops and also back injuries for MIT personnel. It is a well thought out vehicle and is worth taking a look at.

3. 2009 UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN

I want to thank the City employees, Department Directors, and Campaign Coordinator, Michael Karr, for a successful 2009 United Way campaign. This year, the City had 153 employees donate directly or pledge to contribute through payroll deduction a total of \$25,568 for a 4.2% increase from last year (following a 33% increase last year). The increase is the result of the continued generosity of previous givers and an additional 15 new givers this year. Included below is a listing of all 18 of our United Way Leadership members at the Anchor Club (\$500-\$999 annual donation) and Keel Club (\$1,000-\$4,999 annual donation) levels.

Each year, United Way of Tampa Bay provides help to more than 600,000 men, women and children — one out of every three Tampa Bay area residents. The dollars we raise will be distributed among United Way of Tampa Bay’s 69 health and human service Community Partner agencies which will make a real difference in the issues and problems that impact our community every day.

<u>Keel Club</u>	<u>Anchor Club</u>		
Philip Bagley	Gregory Horwedel	Daniel Smith	Michael Karr
Anne Haywood	Sanders Bush	George Shiley	Willie Nabong
Brett Gocka	James McDaniel	Eugene Shuler	Rob Anders
David Sollenberger	Bill McDaniel	Britt Davis	
Martin Wisgerhof	Barry Maurer	Kishor Desai	

4. PLANT CITY FIRE RESCUE GRANT APPLICATION

Plant City Fire Rescue will be applying for a grant through the Florida Department of Health in the amount of \$ 35,543.96. This is the EMS Matching Grant Program which provides emergency medical service providers with funds for projects to acquire, repair, improve, or upgrade emergency medical service systems, or equipment. Plant City Fire Rescue will be requesting funding for three power lift pneumatic stretchers and one rolling track stair chair. The main purpose of the power lift stretchers will be to help prevent patients and employees from being injured by physically raising and lowering the stretchers.

This is a competitive grant and should Plant City Fire Rescue be successful in obtaining the grant, the cost to the City would be \$ 8,885.99 (25% match) and the Grant would be for \$ 26,657.97 (75% match).

5. PLANT CITY FIRE RESCUE - MEDICAL EMERGENCY

The email below was sent to EMS Chief Wilson. This call was on the evening of the tree lighting ceremony here in Plant City. Chief George Shiley was in attendance at the ceremony and made a decision to move Rescue 2 to the ceremony because of the number of people and wanted medical personnel on scene. The crew was available to respond to any other emergencies in their area. This is exactly what happened when the ceremony was just over when this medical call came in and the crew responded from there. The engine crew responded from Station 2 and both arrived on scene at the same time.

“Dear Mr. Wilson:
In my review of the Plant City Government website, I see that you are listed as our EMS Chief. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank your team for the life saving assistance they provided my father on December 4, 2008. We contacted 911 while dining at Johnson's BBQ as my father had passed out in the middle of dinner. He was in cardiac arrest and I now know that he did not have a pulse several times. However, due to the emergency care he received by your team and at the hospital, he is on the road to recovery. In the last month, he has been

through bypass surgery and received an ICD. He is now in rehab to get his strength back up before going home- but doctors expect him to make a full recovery.

This has been a scary time for myself and my family; but as we come away from a long month with many ups and downs, we know that if he did not receive care as quickly as he did, he would not be with us. Please share my deepest thanks for all that was done to save his life. I don't know how exactly to put into words how grateful I am for what was done, so all I can say is thank you from the bottom of my heart.”

Sincerely,
Susan Vrabel
(Daughter of Lawrence Kobulinsky).

6. PALMER STREET RAILROAD CROSSING

We have learned from CSX Railroad that the reconstruction at Palmer Street crossing scheduled to begin January 23 has been postponed until March since their crews are having to work in Tampa this week and next to finish some projects prior to the Super Bowl.

7. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

City Clerk Virginia Helper – In recognition of receiving a Certificate of Completion from the Florida Association of City Clerks, 2008 Professional Education Academy (Advanced Program), Florida Institute of Government, Florida State University.

Officer Christina Bouffard – In recognition of her response to a call of suspicious people loitering in the area of Walden Lake. Officer Bouffard conducted an investigation which led to the arrest of the suspects committing several vehicle burglaries in the area.

Officer Jeffrey Kocab – In recognition of an initiated traffic stop of a vehicle containing possible suspects of a robbery. While Officer Kocab detained the suspects, Detective Robert McLellan responded from an off-duty job to interview, leading to charges.

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8. MONTHLY REPORT ON PURCHASES

Local Area Purchases

Invoices Charged in December, 2008	<u>Number</u>
\$306,639	455
Year to-Date (10/01/08 thru 9/30/09)	
\$1,022,949	1,919

Out Of Local Area Purchases

Invoices Charged in December, 2008	<u>Number</u>
\$525,891	585
Year to-Date (10/01/08 thru 9/30/09)	
\$1,913,380	1,880

9. DEPARTMENTAL MONTHLY REPORTS

BUILDING DIVISION

	PERMITS ISSUED			
	December 2008 (FY 2008-09)			
	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>		<u>PRIOR YEAR MONTH</u>	
Type of Permit Issued	# of Permits	Estimated Value	# of Permits	Estimated Value
New Residential (SF) Units	1	\$94,000	2	\$277,000
New Duplex/Townhouse Units	0	\$0	8	\$744,000
New Multi-Family (MF) Units	0	\$0	0	\$0
Residential Repairs, Alterations & Additions	41	\$350,078	32	\$244,742
New Commercial Construction	1	\$462,000	1	\$1,067,880
New Industrial Construction	0	\$0	1	\$513,000
Non-Res. Building Repairs, Alterations & Additions	7	\$161,900	10	\$268,729
Miscellaneous: Fences, Pools, etc.	21	\$46,814	15	\$52,161
Mobile Homes	0	\$0	0	\$0
Demolition	4	\$23,478	0	\$0
Mechanical	25	\$347,758	42	\$226,044
Plumbing	33	\$54,575	27	\$112,285
Gas	3	\$3,770	5	\$10,002
Electrical	98	\$490,596	57	\$516,700
TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED	234	\$2,034,969	200	\$4,032,543
% CHANGE / PRIOR YEAR	17.0%	-49.5%		
CUMULATIVE YTD	579	\$5,765,539	700	\$19,154,300
CUMULATIVE % CHANGE YOY	-17.3%	-69.9%		
NOTES				
1. "Year" means fiscal year; begins October 1 each calendar year and ends September 30 the following calendar year.				
2. "Cumulative YTD" includes all current & prior month totals for the respective fiscal year.				
3. "% Change / Prior Year" is the net percentage increase or decrease from the prior fiscal year's monthly totals.				
4. "Cumulative % Change YOY" is the net percentage increase or decrease from the prior fiscal year's cumulative totals.				

BUILDING DIVISION PERMITS

Month of December		Year to Date	
<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
\$ 2,034,969	\$4,032,543	\$5,765,539	\$19,154,300

FIRE RESCUE FOR DECEMBER

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Total Calls	334	373
Structure Fires	1	3
Total Fires	10	15
Fire Loss	\$74,850	\$5,600
Rescue & EMS Incidents	249	277
EMS Transports	200	209
	ALS 150	143
	BLS 50	66

POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR DECEMBER

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Docket Charges	1,071	1,073
Complaints Investigated	7,034	6,501
Accidents Investigated	103	142
Miles Patrolled	64,786	68,062

CODE INSPECTION REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2008

CODE INSPECTIONS				
December 2008 (FY 2008-09)				
	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>		<u>PRIOR YEAR MONTH</u>	
Type of Action	# of Actions	Cumulative YTD	# of Actions	Cumulative YTD
Code Inspections - Initial	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Trash / Debris	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Illegal Signs	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
No Valid Permit	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
All Other	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Code Inspections - Follow-Up		1,523	589	1,726
Trash / Debris		n/a	n/a	n/a
Illegal Signs	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
No Valid Permit	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
All Other	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Notices of Violation / Citations		46	6	38
Trash / Debris	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Illegal Signs	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
No Valid Permit	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
All Other	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Code Board Cases		8	0	0
Weed Letters		36	7	30
Lots Mowed		13	5	22
Buildings Condemned		1	0	0
Buildings Demolished		4	0	3
TOTAL ACTIONS	0	1,623	607	1,819
% CHANGE / PRIOR YEAR	-100.0%	-10.8%		
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GENERAL SERVICES DIVISION FOR DECEMBER

	<u>SERVICES</u>
Building Repairs	74
Furniture Manufactured	2
Lock Smith - Keys Cut	51
Lock Smith - Lock Repairs and Installations	2
Maintenance Call Outs (After Hours)	2
New Construction	0
TOTAL SERVICES	144
Preventive Maintenance	50.0

General Services reports the completed services above for Month, 2008.

LIBRARY DEPARTMENT FOR DECEMBER

<u>Information Service</u>		<u>Library Programs</u>	
Reference Services	10,436	12 Programs	
Internet/PC Users	9,606	393 Attending	
<u>Circulation</u>		<u>Meeting Room Use</u>	
December 2007	25,723	18 Groups	
December 2008	29,870	237 Audience	
<u>Patron Registration</u>		<u>Library Attendance</u>	
December 2008	251	25,598	