



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Greenlaw and Members of City Council
FROM: Beverly R. Cameron, City Manager
DATE: January 20, 2016
SUBJECT: City Manager's Update

Highlights of major activities and other notable developments:

Project Lifesaver - The Police Department works hand in hand with [Project Lifesaver](#) to locate missing individuals before they fall victim to the elements or accidents. The mission of Project Lifesaver is to provide timely response to save lives and reduce potential injury for adults and children who wander due to Alzheimer's, autism, and other related conditions or disorders.

Citizens enrolled in Project Lifesaver wear a small personal transmitter around the wrist or ankle that emits an individual tracking signal. If an enrolled client goes missing, the caregiver notifies the Police Department and a trained emergency team responds. Most who wander are found within a few miles of home, and search times have been reduced from hours or days to minutes utilizing Project Lifesaver technology. Recovery times for Project Lifesaver clients average 30 minutes – 95% less time than traditional search methods.

City Hosts Frederick, Maryland Main Street Team – A contingent of staff, board members and businesses from Frederick, Maryland's Main Street program visited Fredericksburg January 19 in an annual exercise to learn from best practices in other Main Street communities. Almost 20 people came to meet with city staff, Main Street board members and staff, tourism representatives and small business owners. They also toured the downtown district and dined at a downtown restaurant for a Restaurant Week offering.

65th Annual Fredericksburg Art Show and Sale – Once again Parks and Recreation is partnering with the Woman's Club of Fredericksburg on the annual art show and sale scheduled to be held at the Dorothy Hart Community Center March 18-20, 2016. Details and registration information can be found [here](#).

Winter/Spring Parks and Recreation Guide – Check out all the programs and events coming up this winter and spring. Spring registrations for soccer and field hockey along with a variety of other sports and programs have begun. The guide can be found [here](#).

Property Maintenance Reports for October – December 2015 – A summary of property maintenance reports are attached for review.

Building Construction Report for December 2015 – A summary of December's building report is attached for review.

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PROPERTY MAINTENANCE REPORT - OCTOBER 2015

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE	Oct-15		Oct-14		YTD 2015	YTD 2014	
Complaints	16		12		68	84	
Inspections	59		87		145	320	
Notice of Violations Issued	7		26		71	176	
Number of Violations Corrected	20		35		108	132	
INOPERABLE VEHICLES							
Notice of Violations Issued	5		6		30	35	
Number of Violations Corrected	5		5		24	23	
Number of Vehicles Towed	0		0		0	2	
STOP WORK ORDERS							
Number Issued	4		0		17	10	
UNSAFE STRUCTURES							
Notice of Violation Issued	0		0		4	4	
WEEDS, TRASH & GRASS							
Notice of Violation Issued							
Notice of Violation Corrected							

COMMENTS

The majority of October was spent trying to close out old cases and train the new Property Maintenance Official, Tracey O'Connor. Also, did work to move 305 Charles Street close to demolition.

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PROPERTY MAINTENANCE REPORT - NOVEMBER 2015

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE	Nov-15		Nov-14		YTD 2015	YTD 2014	
Complaints	15		12		83	96	
Inspections	115		55		246	375	
Notice of Violations Issued	40		16		111	192	
Number of Violations Corrected	56		62		164	194	
INOPERABLE VEHICLES							
Notice of Violations Issued	16		3		46	38	
Number of Violations Corrected	20		3		44	26	
Number of Vehicles Towed	0		1		0	3	
STOP WORK ORDERS							
Number Issued	5		0		22	10	
UNSAFE STRUCTURES							
Notice of Violation Issued	0		0		4	4	
WEEDS, TRASH & GRASS							
Notice of Violation Issued							
Notice of Violation Corrected							

COMMENTS

Continued training of new Property Maintenance Official. Working proactively to find and bring violations to closure, such as the high number of inoperative vehicles in the Mayfield area. We also addressed graffiti and property maintenance issue of downtown businesses and worked closely with Zoning to bring the businesses along Lafayette Boulevard into compliance.

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PROPERTY MAINTENANCE REPORT - DECEMBER 2015

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE	Dec-15		Dec-14		YTD 2015	YTD 2014	
Complaints	13		9		96	105	
Inspections	87		42		333	417	
Notice of Violations Issued	22		21		133	171	
Number of Violations Corrected	38		47		202	241	
INOPERABLE VEHICLES							
Notice of Violations Issued	5		4		51	42	
Number of Violations Corrected	7		4		51	30	
Numeber of Vehicles Towed	0		0		0	3	
STOP WORK ORDERS							
Number Issued	0		0		22	10	
UNSAFE STRUCTURES							
Notice of Violation Issued	0		0		4	4	
WEEDS, TRASH & GRASS							
Notice of Violation Issued							
Notice of Violation Corrected							

COMMENTS

The month of December has been dedicated to working to bring old cases to closure, obtaining and awarding the bid for the demolition of 305 Charles Street, as well as working with the Police Department on multiple graffiti complaints.

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BUILDING CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY - DECEMBER 2015

RESIDENTIAL	Dec-15		Dec-14		YTD 2015	YTD 2014	
New-Residential	9		2		27	5	
New-Plumbing/Electrical/Mechanical/Other	6		0		15	11	
Alterations/Additions	18		12		100	97	
Alt/Add - Plumbing/Electrical/Mechanical	50		26		246	212	
Certificates of Occupancy	2		1		20	15	
Fees Collected	\$18,415.60		\$5,945.00		\$65,874.85	\$41,725.05	
COMMERCIAL/MULTI-FAMILY		SQFT/#UNITS		SQFT/#UNITS			
New-Commercial	0		1	8500	3	2	
New-Multi-Family	0	0	0	0	0	0	
New-Plumbing/Electrical/Mechanical/Other	1		4		26	31	
Alterations	18		21		161	155	
Alt-Plumbing/Electrical/Mechanical	47		39		269	255	
Certificates of Occupancy	0		2		7	12	
Fees Collected	\$8,718.00		\$15,129.35		\$80,121.80	\$86,734.52	
CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY-EXISTING							
	14		13		61	79	
BUILDING INSPECTIONS PERFORMED							
	479		338		3078	2985	
UTILITY FEES COLLECTED							
Water Tap	\$5,200.00		\$0.00		\$7,800.00	\$7,300.00	
Water Availability	\$30,000.00		\$0.00		\$82,000.00	\$32,610.00	
Sewer Tap	\$10,200.00		\$0.00		\$15,300.00	\$15,300.00	
Sewer Availability	\$50,000.00		\$0.00		\$136,600.00	\$63,510.00	

COMMENTS

Residential activity continues to show an increase this year, while commercial construction remains at a low level.
Utility fees show the increase associated with additional residential permits.