

City of Sanford



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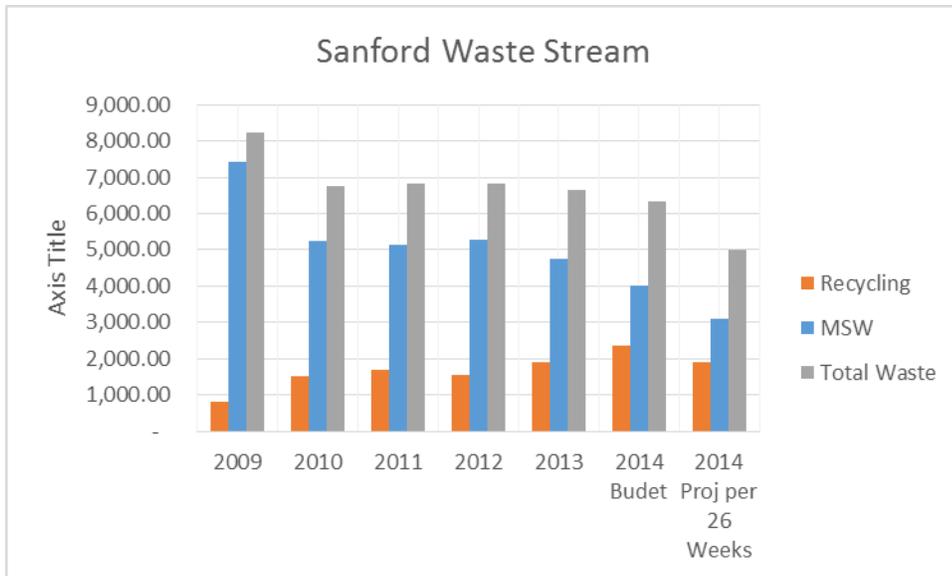
Memorandum

To: City Council
Subject: Manager's Report
Date: April 1st, 2014

26 Weeks of PAYT:

The following information is a comparison of the first 26 weeks of data, annualized, and compared to prior years and current year's projected Budget for solid waste disposal in Sanford.

Solid Waste Stream Comparison - Multi-year					
	MSW	Cost \$72.00	Recycling	Avoided \$72.00	Total Waste
2009	7,438.53	\$535,574.16	810.98	\$ 58,390.56	8,249.51
2010	5,227.21	\$376,359.12	1,518.00	\$ 109,296.00	6,745.21
2011	5,144.05	\$370,371.60	1,679.83	\$ 120,947.76	6,823.88
2012	5,294.22	\$381,183.84	1,535.12	\$ 110,528.64	6,829.34
2013	4,751.30	\$342,093.60	1,897.00	\$ 136,584.00	6,648.30
2014 Budget	4,000.00	\$288,000.00	2,350.00	\$ 169,200.00	6,350.00
2014 Projections per 26 Weeks	3,110.00	\$223,920.00	1,897.00	\$ 136,584.00	5,007.00



Observations are:

1. Compared to the same weeks in the previous year, trash tonnage has decreased by 40.15%
2. Recycling tonnage has increased by 20.31% with the P.A.Y.T. program to 37.90%
3. Overall Trash reduction over 26 weeks has decrease by 1,043 tons or approximately 2,100 tons per year, and avoided cost of 2,100 x \$72.00 = \$151,200
4. Transportation savings are estimated at \$4,692.87 for 26 weeks or \$9,385.74 annualized
5. The Projected 2014 Budget numbers have the right fiscal impacts between savings and avoided costs, the variable will be Bag Revenue as we do not have a year of data for comparisons

Downtown Parking:

The Public Safety Committee met on March 14th, 2014 to discuss parking issues in the rear lot behind City Hall. The issue of overnight parking and snow ban related parking in the City Hall lot raised other questions pertaining to all parking owned and controlled by the City to include on street parking, Mid-Town Mall parking, School Street parking, parking now and in the future adjacent to the new Gateway Park, the Aerofab Parking lot, and how the increased levels of activity in the Downtown are now necessitating a review of all parking in the Downtown.

The Committee directed Administration to start a review of policies and practices for further review. Also, the Sanford Mill has come under new management, Mill 67 has opened , and the increased activity has also caused review of the City’s need to provide 85 non-exclusive spaces within 400 yards of the Sanford Mill. Marcel Blouin has started the review and s developing options. He has also met with the new Management of the Sanford Mill to learn of their concerns. We are also learning of the impacts to other Downtown Business. If increased pressure is a measurement of increased business activity, then the City is now faced with dealing with the impacts of success.

The Public Safety Committee will meet in the near future to continue this review and to develop recommendations for future actions to be considered by the Council.

Concert:

City of Sanford Parks and Recreation
and
Journal Tribune
Present the
United States Army Field Band
Volunteers
In Concert
Saturday April 5, 2014 7:00 p.m., Doors open at 6:30 p.m.
Sanford Veterans Memorial Gymnasium, Main Street

Ticket holders must be seated by 6:45 p.m.

Unclaimed seats will be released to non-ticket holders at 6:45 p.m.

Tickets may be obtained at the Sanford Recreation Office at 919 Main St, 1st floor of City Hall

Update on Property Closings:

Sale of Property: Pursuant to the Tax Acquired Property Policy, the Property Subcommittee actions, and the Council’s authorization the sale of Tax Acquired Property located a 4 Gulliver Drive was completed today; a vacant lot of 0.70 acres. Attorney Norman Rattey prepared the Quitclaim Deed without Covenants for the sale. The Property sold for the full asking price of \$24,000 to TPD Construction of Sanford.

City received after settlement	\$21,372.20
Taxes remaining to resolve	-204.43
Net to TAP Remediation Fund Act. 2116	\$21,167.77
<u>Balance Acct 2116</u>	<u>-\$45,972.05</u>
CMP Pending	\$25,000.00
Balance	-\$20,972.05

CMP:

Closing documents were provided to the City at the end of last week, March 27th. I performed a full review of the documents and all elements previously negotiated were present as are now the Exhibits stemming from the survey work as well as the finalization of the corridor alignment and pole placements. I have forwarded the documents to Attorney Norman Rattey for final review. The closing is to be schedule within the next week even though an extension until April 26th has been signed. The City will receive full payment for the Corridor land at time of closing.

Purchase Option:

The City will sell to CMP a described portion of a parcel Book 1378 Page 429 containing approximately 2.75 ac. and from Book 10321 Page 232 approximately 0.17 ac. The sale is for consideration of clarification of other parcels, i.e. open space requirements, and for monetary value of \$100,000.

The City will further be granted 7.5 ac. of land acquired in fee from CMP from Book 1420 Page 439, all such land abuts and will be made contiguous to the Holdsworth Park parcel for recreational purposes.

CMP will pay consideration of \$6,250 upon the receipt of the Agreement with the intent of survey and performing explorations and alignments of the corridor with the intent to purchase December 31st, 2013. There is a twelve (12) month extension clause that CMP may exercise for an additional \$5,000. Said Deposits are not refundable should CMP not purchase the Corridor. If purchased the amount of Deposit/s paid will be part of the \$100,000 purchase price.

MDOT Scoping Meeting:

City Administration met with Region 1 MDOT officials in Scarborough on Friday March 21st. we discussed the pending scope of work on Lebanon Street and Route 109 Main Street. Efforts were made to negotiate the pending repair/replacement of catch basins within these impact areas as a Capital Project with MDOT. The actions did not meet the definition for Capital Projects. The Department did subsequently come to Sanford for further inspection work on the relocation of 6 basins only to find it was not feasible.

Administration met with the Property Subcommittee on March 25th and reviewed the pending scope for this summer pertaining to the State's mill and fill and the City need to repair/replace basins within the impact area. Engineering is reviewing the scope of work and has estimates from \$50,000 to \$100,000 for this work. The City also anticipates applying for a Municipal Partnership Initiative (MPI) Grant to partially fund this work. The Committee, after review, concurred with the scope and need to fund from within this year's pending CIP works as it will be another 15 to 20 years before such an opportunity presents again.

Business Expansion:

City and Growth Council have been working with Pleasant River Pine, the former Lavallee Lumber saw mill, to file a Letter of Intent (LOI) to DECD fro a CDBG Economic Development Program Grant for the expansion and modernization of Pleasant River Limber of New Dam Road. Details are being developed with the Company for a presentation to the City Council for their consideration at the April 15th, 2014 meeting. The Presentation will summarize the proposed expansion, how it benefits the company, and the number of new jobs to be created and number of jobs to be retained but for the Grant application being facilitated by the City to DECD.

TIGER Grant:

Sanford previously applied for a TIGER Grant of \$10,000 to perform street reconstruction, intersection improvements, sidewalk and amenities improvements, and address parking in our Downtown area as well as park and open space beautifications. I have communicated an intent to MDOT asking for their support of a new submission of an updated Grant. MDOT has indicated the Department will be making their own submissions for major bridge and other

projects and therefore will not be making co-applications with municipalities. Administration is working to update the prior Application for the Council's review and consideration in April as a LOI must be filed by late April, if at all.

Fiber Network:

Administration and the Growth Council have been in review with Tilson Company who is to present a Fiber network Study to the City in early April. The Draft is being reviewed containing build out cost scenarios for various designs, multiple business models for ownership and operations, as well as backhaul options to connect Sanford network to the internet and the Three Ring Binder here in State. The Report will soon be ready for presentation as the review and amendments continue this week as well as the economic analysis yet to be finalized.

Next Meeting:

Audit to be presented for FY 12-13
Budget Committee presentation

Public Hearing for Metrocast Franchise to receive public input on customer satisfaction, programming, availability, and any other issues