

2022 City Council Budget Hearing Department of Public Works

City of New Orleans November 9th, 2021

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Department Overview

Mission and Vision

Mission Statement

Our mission is to construct and maintain the highest quality of safe and sustainable transportation facilities for users of vehicular, bicycle, pedestrian, and rail transportation; to improve the quality of life and create opportunities for economic development for all New Orleanians.

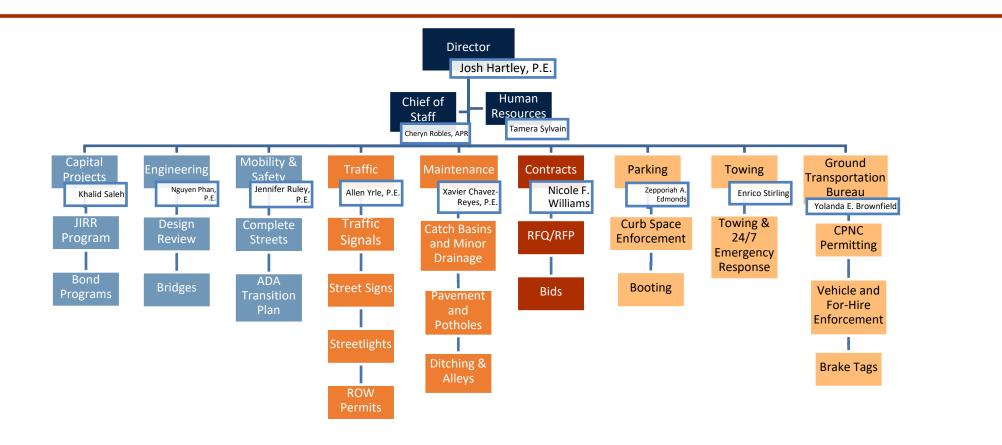
Vision Statement

Our vision is to make Public Works a professional, customer-focused public service organization that is trusted and responsive to the needs of the community.

Public Works Organizational Chart

Key Changes:

Parking Adjudication Division moved to the Department of Safety & Permits Ground Transportation Bureau relocated to the Department of Public Works



2 2021 Department Accomplishments

2021 Department Accomplishments

Maintenance Division

MAINTENANCE	2021 YTD Total (as of 11/5/2021)
Total number of Potholes Repaired	11,413
Total number of Catch Basins Cleaned	1,866
Total amount of Drain Line Flushed (Linear Ft)	153,930
Cleaned in front to Catch Basins	405

- Living wage increase will provide a higher level of employee retention, especially equipment operators that are required to staff all crew types.
- Equipment downtime will decrease with purchase of new equipment through the recent bond sale.
- Providing specialized training to staff to increase efficiencies and to implement best practices.
- Purchase asset management software to improve operations.

2021 Department Accomplishments

Traffic, Parking, and Towing Divisions

- Traffic Division Sign Shop relocated to 5034
 Tchoupitoulas allowing for increased inventory and production management.
- Parking Enforcement Officers assisted Mosquito Control with field inspections while enforcement operations were restricted.
- Towing continued to support NOPD and other emergency efforts, as needed, while enforcement operations were restricted.
- All Parking & Towing enforcement resumed full, pre-covid operations on October 10th, 2021.

TRAFFIC & PERMITTING	2021 YTD Total (as of 10/23/2021)	
Sites Inspected	7,096	
311 Cases Closed Out	931	
New Signs and Supports Installed	3,690	
New Street-name Signs Installed	562	
Temporary Signs and Supports Installed	3,485	
Temporary Signed Removed	2,619	
Signs and Supports Repaired or Reoriented	3,484	
Damage Signs Removed	3,483	
Intersection Signals restored to Operation	176	
Intersection Signals with Minor Repairs	659	
PARKING & TOWING	2021 YTD Total (as of 10/23/2021)	
Total number of citations issued	99,871	
Total number of vehicles booted	145	
Total number of vehicles towed	4,772	



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2022 Department Goals

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The Department of Public Works has identified the following goals for 2022:

Department Goal

Maintenance

Division

Traffic

Division

Engineering

Division

JIRR/Capital Projects

Division

Across all divisions in the department, increase level of services provided to the public with a reduced operating budget. DPW will need to be more strategic with its resources and staff to maximize efficiencies.

Utilizing Fairshare dollars, significantly increase staff size and provide more efficient and improved services. Change pothole repair operations to include utility service cut pavement restoration.

Provide a more resilient traffic signal system that will increase dependability and reduce downtime and outages by contracting out capital improvement projects with bond funds.

Utilizing the new RFQ for engineering services, begin implementing 2020-2025 bond program with focus on stormwater management/green infrastructure capital improvement projects.

Increase contractor accountability by using revised specifications, including the new task-order based contract structure.



2022 Department Goals (Cont'd)

The Department of Public Works has identified the following goals for 2022:

Department Goal **Mobility & Safety Division Parking Division Towing Division GTB Division**

Across all divisions in the department, maintain same or greater level of services provided to the public with a reduced operating budget. DPW will need to be more strategic with its resources and staff to maximize efficiencies.

Implement Complete Streets projects to improve safety and accessibility across all modes of transportation.

Maintain same level of service with reduced staffing. Advertise a new curb management RFP that will improve the existing parking enforcement system.

Decrease response time by replacing aging tow truck fleet and hiring additional personnel to cover all shifts

Coordinate and communicate with CPNC permit holders to increase submittals and approvals in a timely manner. Increase field inspections to promote safer operations by hiring additional personnel.

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All Funds

	Personal Services	Other Operating	Total
2021 Adopted Budget	\$9,732,640	\$24,992,782	\$34,725,422
2022 Proposed Budget	\$13,038,397	\$25,014,263	\$38,052,660
Variance	\$3,305,757	\$21,481	\$3,327,238

EXPLANATION OF VARIANCE

Personal Services

- Restoration of furlough days to budget
- Living Wage Increase
- Additional staff across all sections:
- Parking/Towing Enforcement reaches pre-covid employment levels
- Engineering & Traffic staff increases provides increased level of service for 311 requests and management of projects.
- GTB staff increases frequency of field inspections for safety.

Other Operating

Technology and working supplies for staff





Questions?

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