

January 2026

Caretaker REPORT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS



68

Professionals



Admin
3

Planning &
Design
10

Environmental
Compliance
4

Facilities
4

Operations
35

Fleet
13



Environmental Manager Matt Powell and City Geologist Nick Lawhon measured the dimensions and prepared a 2D map of the storm infrastructure beneath **Elm Street**. Repairs for this section of the system are planned for early summer (8 January).

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ANDY SOUZA**



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Available on our website
www.bgky.org/publicworks



Operations

Ryan Johnson, Manager
(270) 393-3204

Street Maintenance * Sidewalks * Signals * Signs * Plowing * Road Closures
Leaf Pick-up * Dead Animal Removal * Curb Painting * ROW Trimming * Storm Drains

Summary: Operations completed **199 work orders** in January. Operations repaired/installed **1** traffic signals and **58** signs. Zero injection wells were drilled. There were **0 miles** of added maintenance from subdivision acceptance this year (1.96 miles in 2025, 6.53 miles in 2024).

January 2026



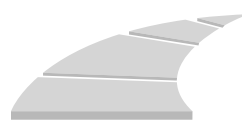
Potholes
Repaired

3



Street
Sweeping
Hours/Miles

32/11



L/ft
Sidewalks
Repaired

184



Tons of
Asphalt Used

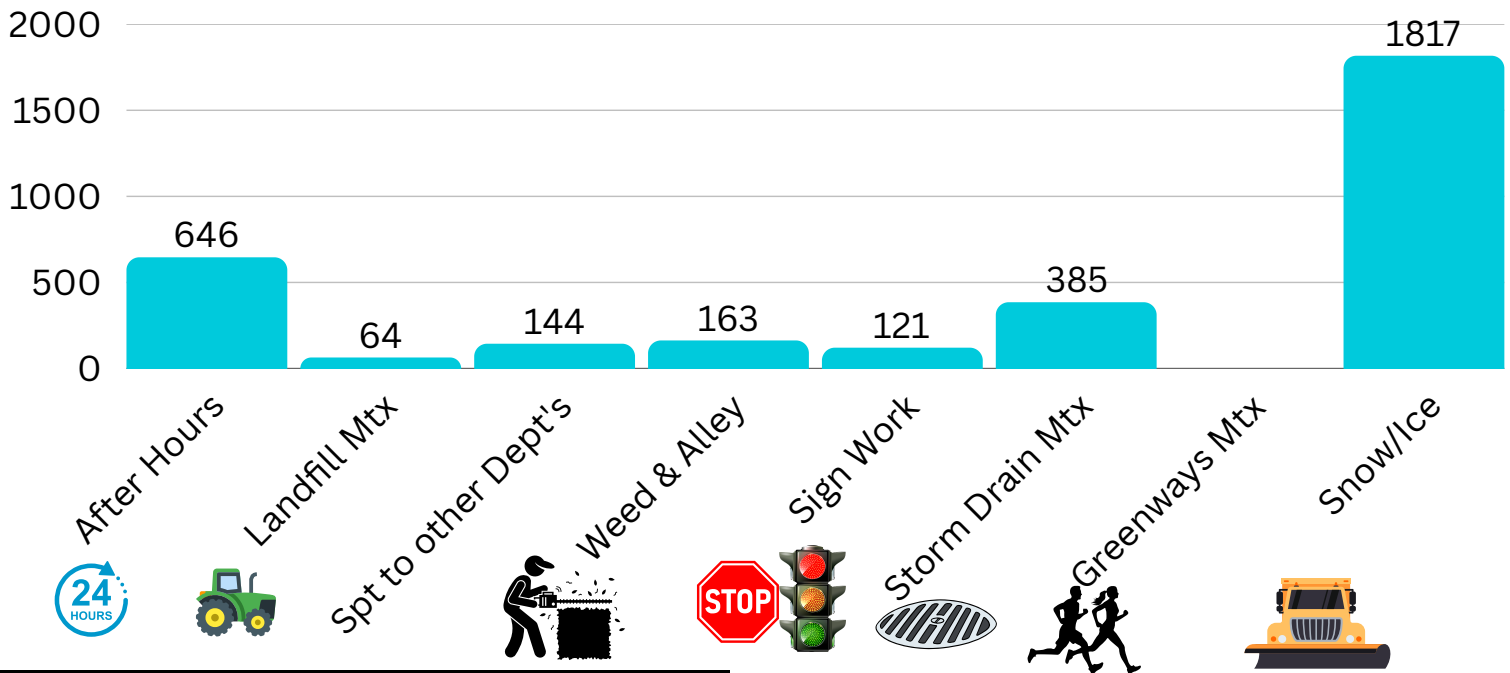
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Operations Maintenance Technician II John Lyons adds sidewalk expansion joints to newly poured concrete on **Kirby Drive** (5 January)

Operations Hours

● January



(Left) Operations crews repaired a sinkhole in a city maintained drainage easement off of **Bentworth Drive**, in the Bent Tree Neighborhood (5-6 January) **(Right)** Crews load brine in preparation for winter weather (22 January).

Snow and Ice Storm (22-27 January)



Deicer Usage During Snow Event

January 24-30, 2026

984 Tons
of Deicer Used

Cost: **\$149.98**
per Ton

200 lbs Per Lane Mile

100 lbs

100 lbs

Total Cost:
\$147,583.32

Spread Rate:

15 Pellets Per Square Foot



City divided into plowing Priorities A, B, C, and D

EMPLOYEE

Spotlight

Dara Price is a Construction Coordinator I in our Planning & Design division. She has been with the City for a little over 2 years.

Get to Know You:

- **Favorite Movie:** American Outlaws
- **Favorite Food:** Meatloaf
- **Favorite Place to Travel:** The Beach
- **Favorite Quote:**
“Life is hard - get a helmet.”

One Fun Fact About Me:

“I genuinely enjoy feeding people. Whether it’s baking treats or preparing meals, I find it incredibly fulfilling to create food that brings others joy.”

Personal Message to our team from Dara:

“I want to sincerely thank each of you for your constant support and for being such an amazing team to work with. I truly value the family atmosphere we have—it’s clear that we genuinely care about one another, and that’s something you don’t find everywhere. I’m grateful to be part of such a positive and encouraging workplace.”






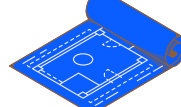
DARA PRICE



Planning & Design

Melissa Cansler, City Engineer
(270) 393-3212

Plat Reviews * CDR Reviews * Surveyor
Subdivision Inspections * Traffic Planning
Capitol Improvement Programs

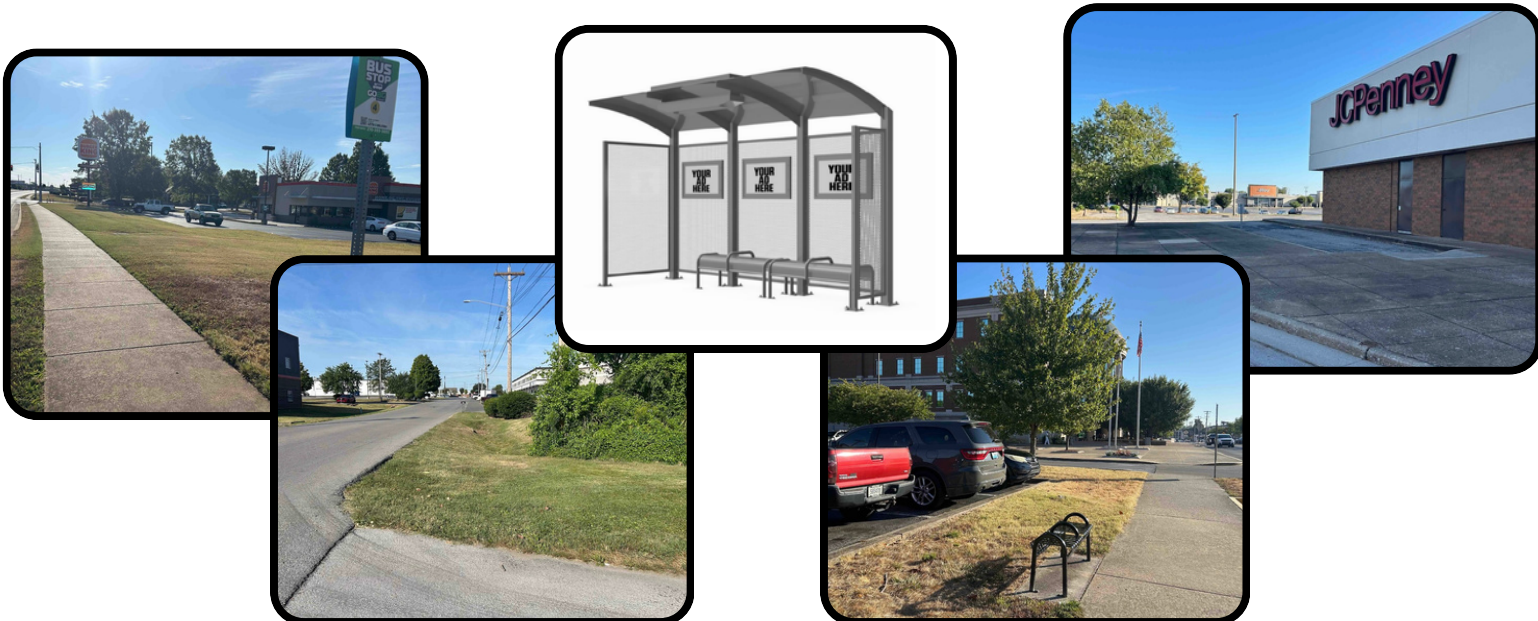
			
Plats Reviewed	Site Inspections	ROW Permits	CDR Reviews
4	57 Initial 244 Reinspections	16	1

ROW- Right of Way work. <https://www.bgky.org/publicworks/right-of-way>

CDR Reviews- Comprehensive Development Review. <https://www.warrenpc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/CDR-QA.pdf>

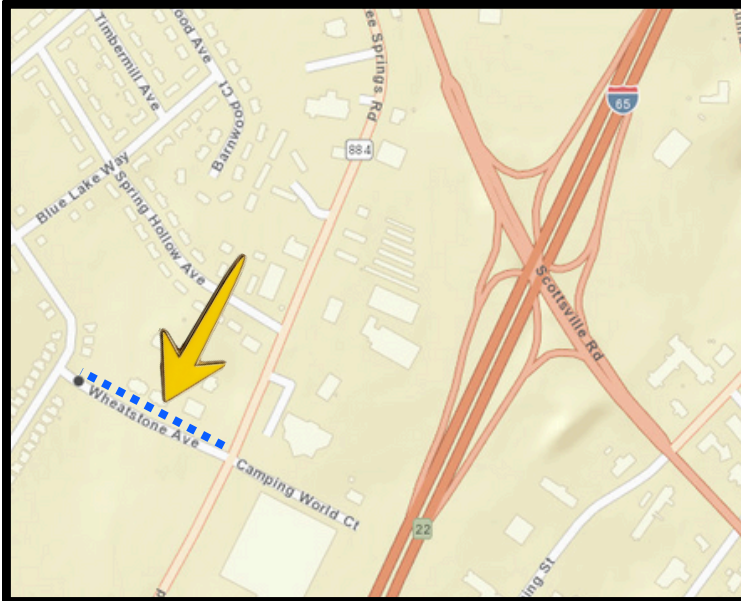
GoBG Transit Bus Shelters

Planning and Design (P&D) has been working with GoBG Transit and Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS) on a project to provide four (4) new bus shelters around the city. The project includes improvements to existing GoBG bus stops to provide pedestrians protection from the elements while waiting for transit. Civil Engineer Trevor Cline has worked closely with Jake Moore at NCS in developing the plans and specifications for the new shelter and construction bids are expected in early February. Three of the four locations are in public right-of-way along Pedigo Way, Campbell Lane and Center Street near the GoBG Transit Center. The fourth location is at the Greenwood Mall.

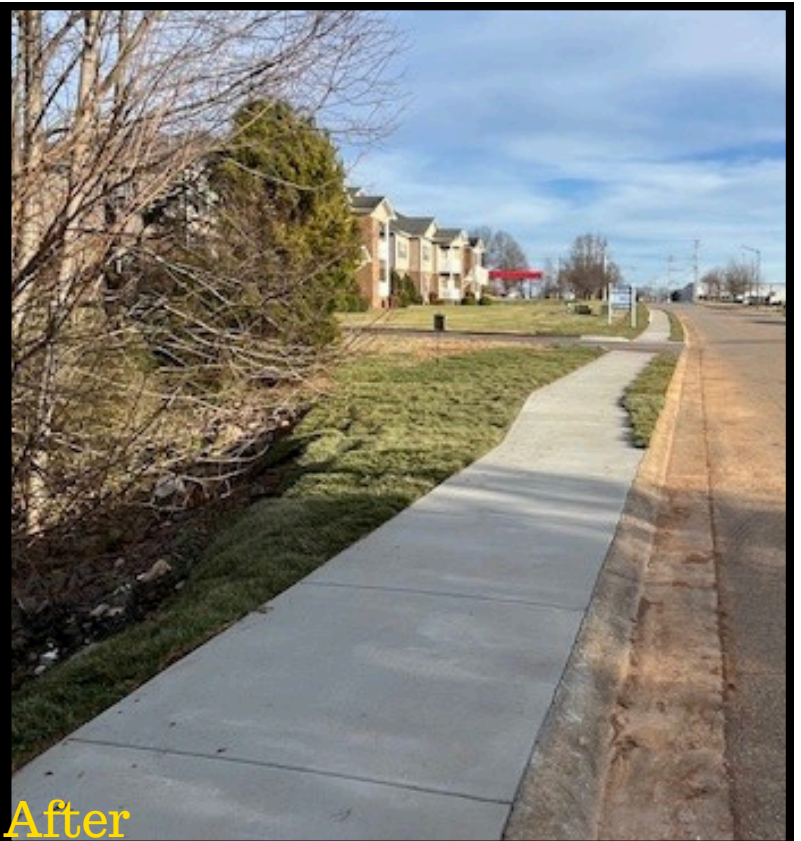




New Sidewalk



Before



After

Construction Coordinator I Dara Price led the project to install new sidewalk along [Wheatstone Ave](#). The project was completed in early January (photos from 6-13 January)



Environmental Compliance

Geologist * Sinkholes * Spills * Education * Water Sampling
Matt Powell, Manager
(270) 393-3071



(Left) City Geologist Nick Lawhon conducting [ERT](#) at the city owned Butler County landfill. (15 January) (Right) Environmental Compliance Coordinator Courtenay Howell hosts an in person EPSC class consisting of 36 attendees. (30 January)

Project Updates

Butler County Landfill: BGPW staff (Lawhon, Waggoner, and Cline) conducted ERT survey work at the Butler County Landfill to support the new cap design. Engineers from GAI will be on site in February for geotechnical drilling.

AST FY26: Construction Coordinator 1 Journee Nickson and Environmental Manager Matthew Powell will attend the February 17th BOC meeting to approve the purchase of 7 new Above Ground Storage Tanks (ASTs).

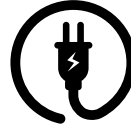
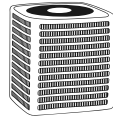


Facilities

Dave Hehner, Manager
(270) 393-3055

Facilities Management * CIP Construction Projects * Climate Control
Pest Management * Snow Removal

Work Orders 94



Plumbing

HVAC

Electrical

Carpentry

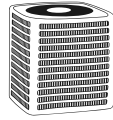
Cleaning

Other

1945	PW Admin		2			2
1992	PW Ops	1	3	1		
1992	PW Fleet	1		4		3
1907	City Hall	1	2		1	3
						Broken Pipe
1946	CH Annex		3			3
1974	NCS		3			
1997	BGPD	1	2			3
						Roof Leak
2009	Fire HQ	2	2			2
1980	Fire #1	2	1	1		1
						Door Damage
1980	Fire #2		2			1
2001	Fire #3		3			



Facilities



Plumbing

HVAC

Electrical

Carpentry

Cleaning

Other

2001 Fire #4		2			2	
2025 Fire #5		3			3	
2008 Fire #6		2			2	Roof Leak
2020 Fire #7	2	2	2		3	
2024 Fire #8		1			1	
1995 Convention Ctr		4			1	Boiler Replacement
1872 Hobson House		2				
1930 White House		2			1	
1987 Transit Bldg					1	
1987 NEW US Bank Bldg					2	
 BGPD Tower Spt						



Fleet

Denise Gilland, Manager
(270) 393-3201



**Heavy Duty Truck * Light Duty Trucks & Cars * Police
Fire * ASE Certified Mechanics * Enterprise Fleet Management**

- A purchase order for rear bumper, door, lamps and quarter panel repair for Unit #3321 (2022 Dodge Charger Pursuit for BGPD) in the amount of \$4,602.00 was approved on 20 January 2026.
- A purchase order for a new transmission for Unit 4120 (2016 F-350 dump truck in the Public Works Department) in the amount of \$5,045.00 was approved on 26 January 2026.
- Mechanics worked 24/7 in support of the Operations Division to repair equipment needed for road maintenance. The team averaged 1 work order per hour during the storm.
- A purchase order for \$12,679.55 for Unit #2283 (2025 Chevrolet SUV in the BGFD) was approved on 28 January 2026. The unit suffered extensive damage due to a deer strike on 20 January.

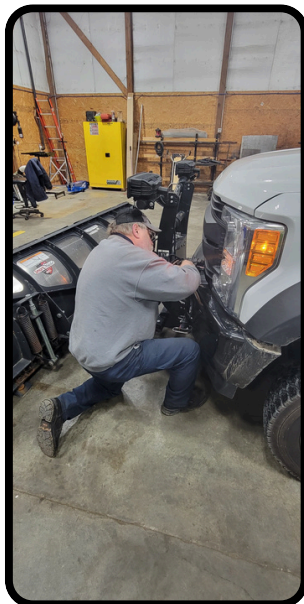
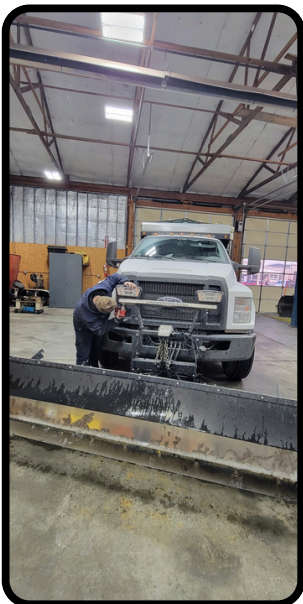
January 2026



Filled
Parts Requests
175

Preventative
Work Orders
89

Repair
Work Orders
111



During the snow and ice storm from January 24-27, Master Auto Technicians David Long and Terry Roberts and Master Medium/Heavy Truck Technician Nick Updegraff worked the night shift. They efficiently handled one work order per hour, ensuring our snowplow fleet remained in excellent condition and ready for the winter challenges.



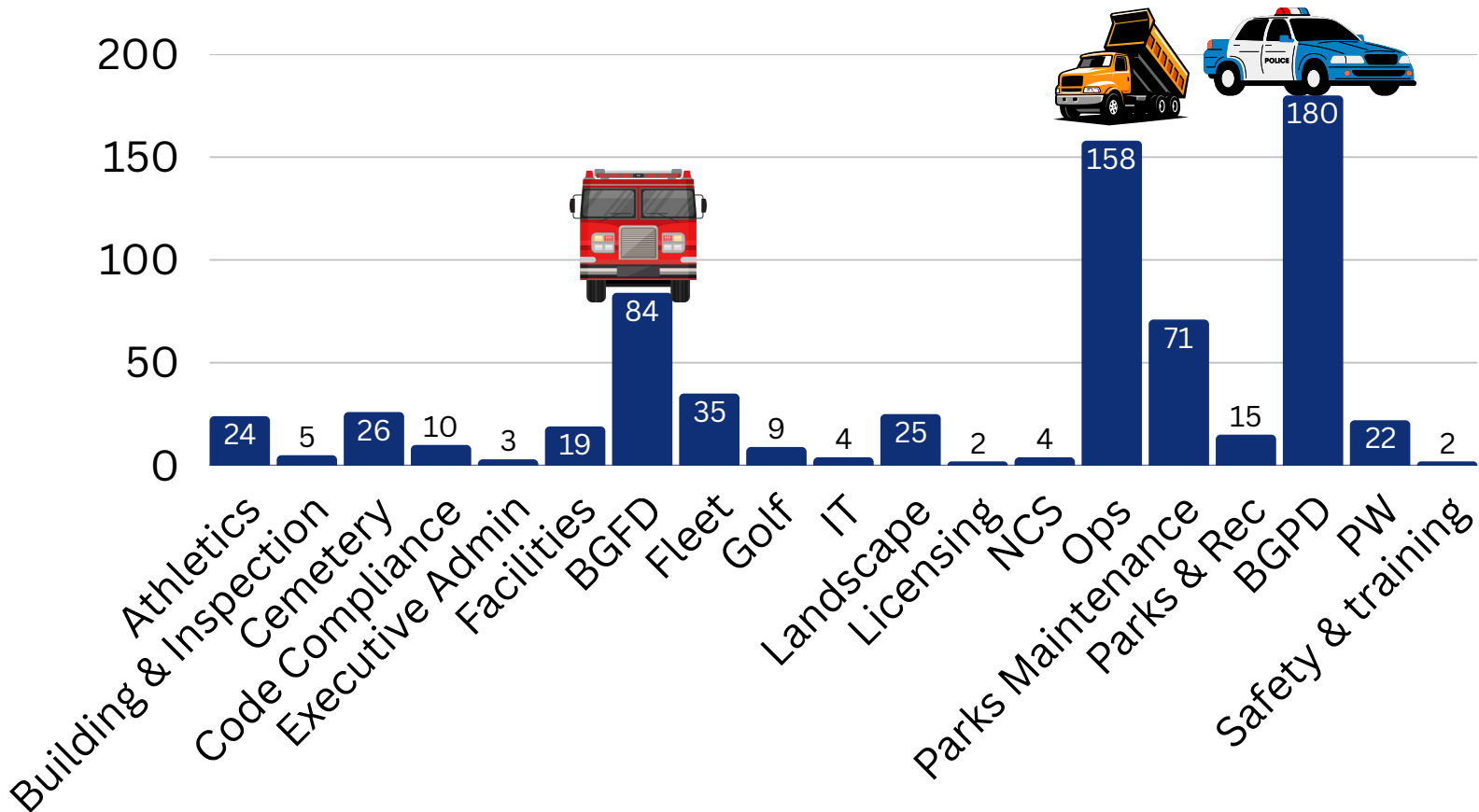
Fleet

Denise Gilland, Manager
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13
PEOPLE

698

● Vehicles/Equipment *



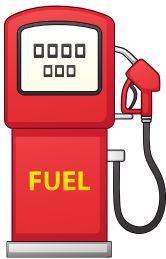
• Not shown- BG community Center (2) and City Transit (24)

CITY FLEET USAGE

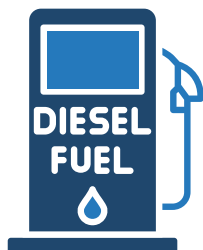


DECEMBER 2025

Last Month



9.7K
Gallons




























1.9K
Gallons



154
Gallons



\$26,994

Building Inspection	1 		
Cemetery		2 	1 
Code Compliance	2 		
Excutive Admin	1 		
Facilities	1 		
BGFD	2 	5 	
Fleet	1 	2 	
Golf		2 	
IT	1 		
Landscape		4 	
NCS			1 
Operations		4 	1 
Parks Maintenance		5 	
Parks & Rec.		8 	4 
BGPD	3 	3 	4 
Public Works	4 	6 	
Safety & Training	2 		



Administration

Andy Souza, Director
(270) 393-3657

Promotion	Operations Division	The Board of Commissioners approved Municipal Order 2026-2 approving the Career Path Advancement of David Adams to the position of Operations Maintenance Technician II <u>6 January 2026</u> .
Bid Acceptance	Planning & Design Division	The Board of Commissioners approved Municipal Order 2026-5 authorizing and accepting Bid #2026-28 for Three Springs Road and Fieldstone Boulevard sidewalks from Baker Contracting LLC in an amount not to exceed \$335,730 on <u>6 January 2026</u> .

WBKO	Snow Prep	Click Here	21 January
106.3 FM	Snow Prep	Live Show	23 January
Spectrum	Snow Prep	Click Here	23 January
WBKO	Snow	Click Here	24 January
NewsNation	Snow	Click Here	24 January
NewsNation	Snow	Click Here	25 January
Spectrum	Snow	Click Here	25 January
WBKO	Snow	Click Here	27 January
WNKY	National Coverage	Click Here	27 January
WKU	Snow	Click Here	30 January
Spectrum	Snow	Click Here	30 January
WBKO	Snow	Click Here	31 January