September 2026

Caretaker REPORT

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

68
Professionals

Admin	Planning & Design	Environmental Compliance	Facilities	Operations	Fleet
2	10	4 + 2 Interns	3	36	13



Early Start, Better Roads

Our Operations crews were out before sunrise, taking advantage of cooler temperatures and lighter traffic to tackle roadway repairs. Crews milled out deteriorated pavement and installed fresh asphalt, restoring damaged road segments while minimizing disruption to the traveling public. (1 September)

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www.bgky.org/publicworks

Operations

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

Summary: Operations completed **79 work orders** in September. Operations repaired/installed **9** traffic signals and **50** signs. **0** injection wells was drilled. There were **.6 miles** of added maintenance from subdivision acceptance this year (1.96 miles in 2025, 6.53 miles in 2024). Solar Lighting installation continued this month near Sandra Street.

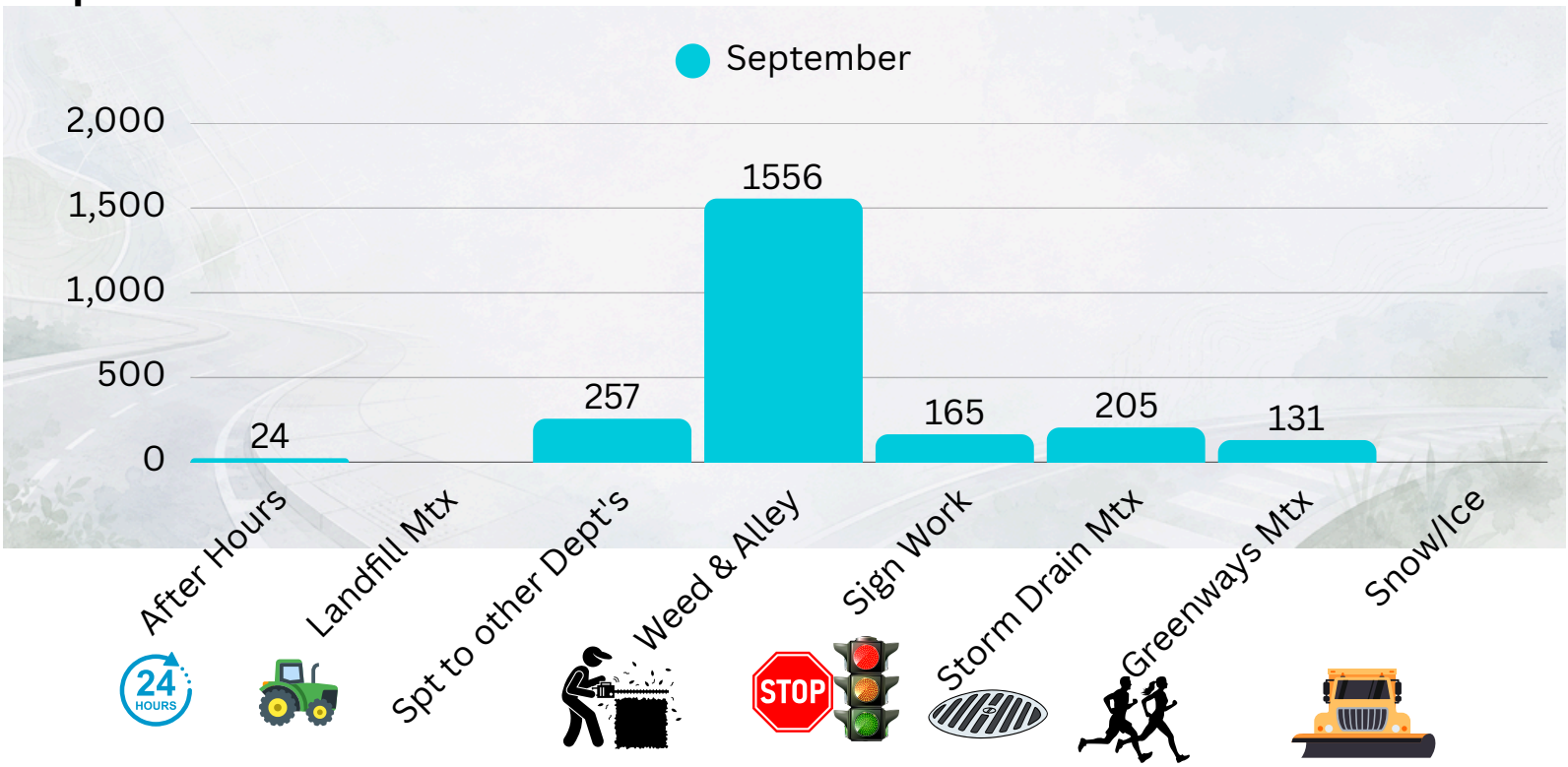
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Potholes Repaired	Street Sweeping Hours/Miles	L/ft Sidewalks Repaired	Tons of Asphalt Used
12	180/291	215	34



Operations partnered with Parks & Recreation to pave a new golf cart path along Hobson Golf Course continuing improvements started last year. Pictured: (Left) Christopher Keenan, OMT-III; Austin Jones, OMT-II; and (Right) Allen Papp, OMT-III. (2 September 2026)

Operations Hours





New Snowplow Joins the Fleet

Our newest snowplow has arrived, a Freightliner 114SD, ordered approximately 18 months ago. Manufacturing timelines and supply-chain delays continue to make heavy equipment a long-term investment. Weighing approximately 35,000 pounds before salt is added, this truck will be operated by our CDL-qualified drivers and replaces our recently retired underbody plow.

A Ford F-750 is also on order, and another replacement approved in this year's budget is expected next year. Learn more about the City's snow-removal priorities, work zones, and routes. (15 September)

Sidewalk Rehab







Sidewalk Repairs Underway

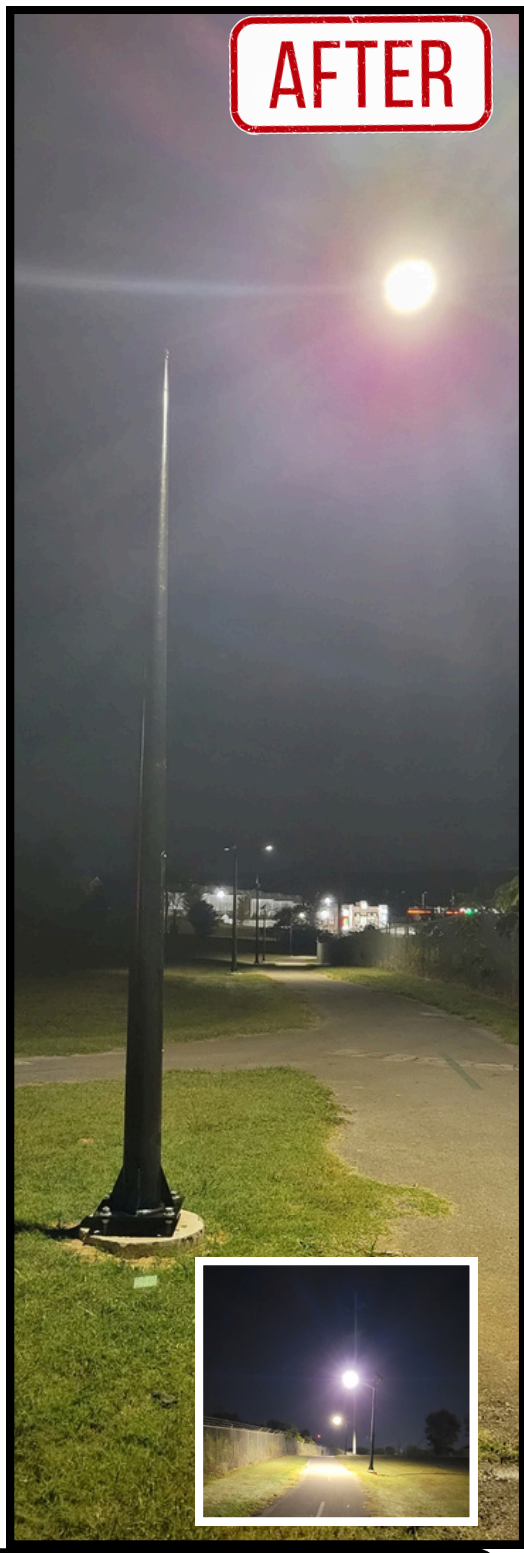
Our Operations crews have been completing sidewalk rehabilitation on **Glendale Drive** and **Kirby Drive.** On Glendale, crews are repairing sections with tripping and fall hazards caused by cracked or buckled concrete.

The City improves sidewalks through both contractor-led programs—funded by City dollars or grants—and work completed by our own employees. Using in-house crews allows us to address smaller repairs quickly and cost-effectively while improving pedestrian safety and accessibility. (Photos from the week of 15 September)

Greenway Solar Lights





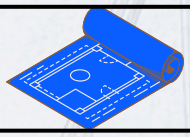


Operations crews installed 10 new solar lights on 14-foot poles along the greenway behind Walmart near **Sandra Street**. We also coordinated with SKyCTC to obtain permission to install additional solar light bases along its property line, where the greenway runs parallel to campus. The added lighting will improve visibility and help students and other greenway users travel this section more safely after dark. (Photos from the weeks of 21-28 September)

Planning & Design

Melissa Cansler, City Engineer
(270) 393-3212

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

			
Plats Reviewed	**Site Inspections**	**ROW Permits**	**CDR Reviews**
2	**67-Initial 325- Re-inspections**	**11**	**18**

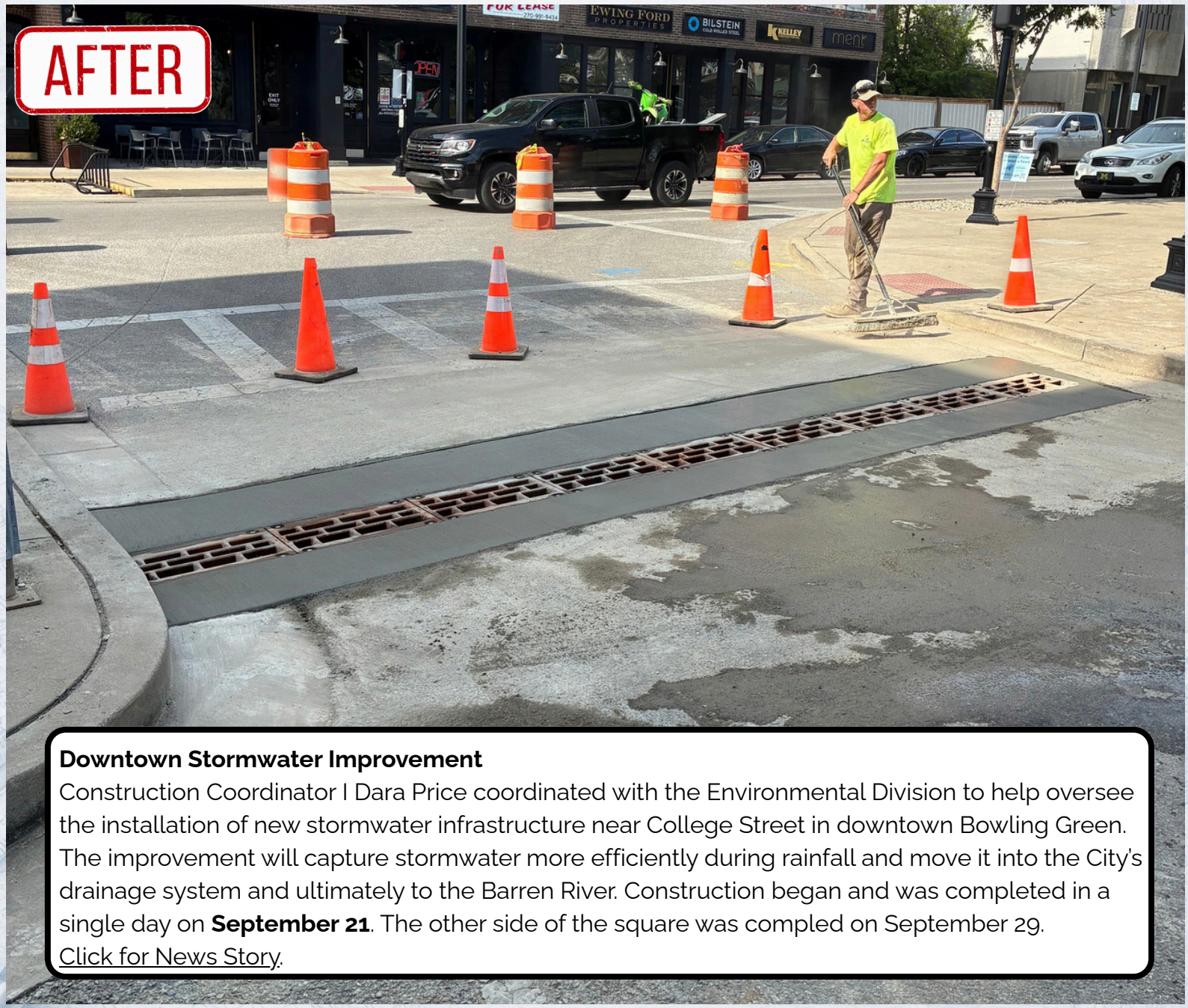
ROW- Right of Way work. https://www.bgky.org/publicworks/right-of-way
CDR- Comprehensive Development Review. https://www.warrenpc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/CDR-QA.pdf



Rob Evans, City Surveyor II (left), and Tyler Phelps, Surveyor I (right), attended the Kentucky Association of Professional Surveyors Conference on September 17 as part of their continuing education. The conference helps our surveyors stay current on the standards, technology, and practices that support the City's infrastructure projects.

Rob passed away a few days later. We are grateful for his many years of service to Bowling Green and will miss him deeply.





Downtown Stormwater Improvement

Construction Coordinator I Dara Price coordinated with the Environmental Division to help oversee the installation of new stormwater infrastructure near College Street in downtown Bowling Green. The improvement will capture stormwater more efficiently during rainfall and move it into the City's drainage system and ultimately to the Barren River. Construction began and was completed in a single day on **September 21**. The other side of the square was compled on September 29. Click for News Story.

Highland Way Greenway Nears Completion

Construction of the **Highland Way** Greenway is substantially complete. The 8-foot-wide, 4,100-foot-long concrete path connects Smallhouse Road to Nashville Road, providing a safer route for walking, biking, and other neighborhood travel.

The new pedestrian crossing at Smallhouse Road links the greenway to the existing path along Smallhouse Road and the sidewalk on the next block of Highland Way. The pedestrian signal is operational, with crosswalk striping still pending.

The greenway will ultimately connect to the multi-use path being built along Nashville Road as part of the state's roadway widening project.







Environmental Compliance

Geologist * Sinkholes * Spills * Education * Water Sampling

Matt Powell, Manager
(270) 393-3071 | stormwater@bgky.org

September 2026

4	IDDE Investigations
4	Education & Outreach
4	Drainage Concerns
29	Permit Reviews
0	SWU Inquiries

SINKHOLES

Investigated
12

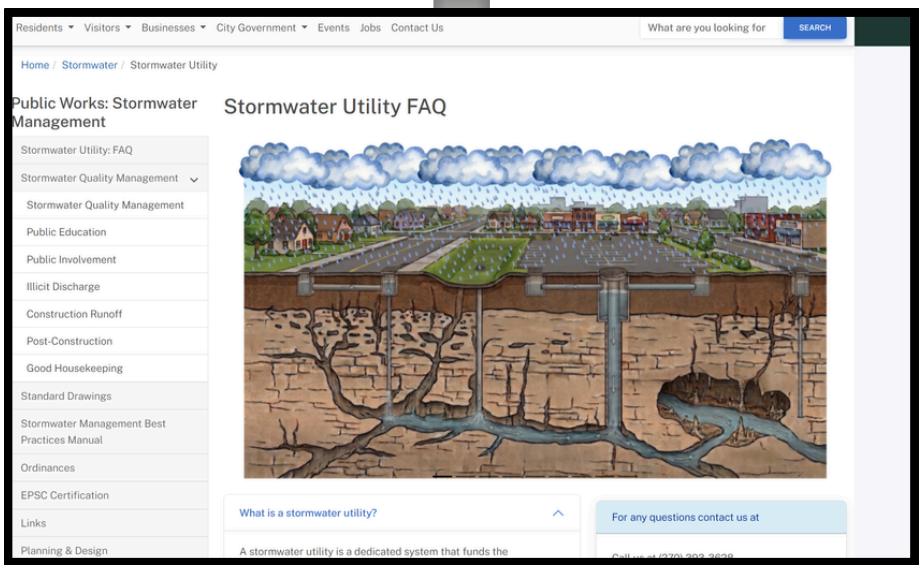
Responsible Party
7 | City **5** | Private

Repaired
4 | Internally 2 | Contract

Repair Status
6 Completed
1 Ongoing
7 Pending

The Stormwater billboard went live on September 7, 2026, highlighting key messages about the Stormwater Utility and helping raise public awareness of the program. The Utility is planned for full implementation on 1 January 2027. Want to know more about the Utility? See the FAQ page: https://www.bgky.org/stormwater/stormwater-utility





SEE A SINKHOLE? REPORT IT IMMEDIATELY
(270) 393-3628





Turkey Run Stormwater Improvements

A new stormwater detention basin in the Turkey Run area will provide additional storage for runoff and help reduce flooding. An existing injection well will help drain the basin.

The Board of Commissioners approved a construction contract with Infinity Pipeline, Inc. on November 18, 2025. Construction Coordinator I Journee Waggener is overseeing the project.

STORMWATER MITIGATION UNDERWAY



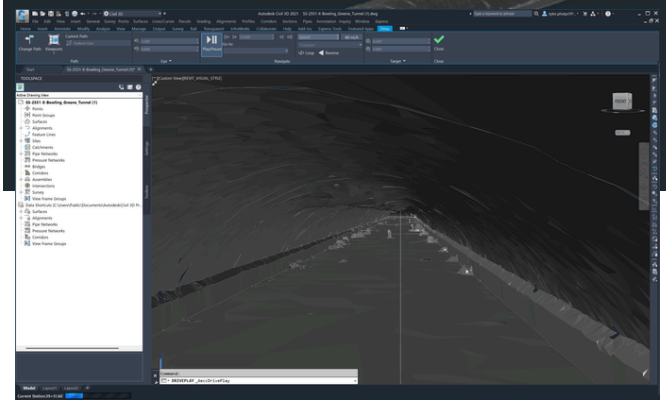


Fair Street Stormwater Improvements

The Board of Commissioners approved the purchase of 1039 and 1041 Fair Street in August 2025 for construction of a stormwater retention basin. The two homes were demolished, and drainage and stormwater infrastructure were improved to direct water to the basin and help reduce future flooding in the area. Construction Coordinator I Journee Waggener oversaw the project.









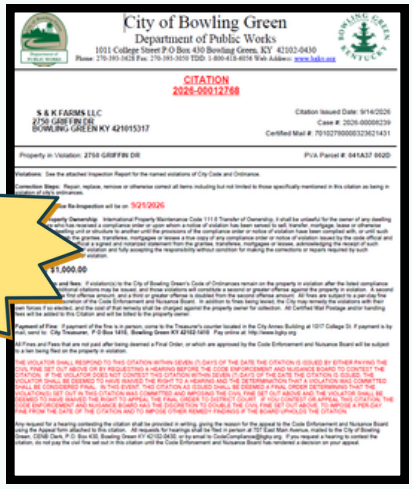


Whiskey Run LiDAR Study

Public Works hired a firm to conduct a 3D LiDAR survey of a deteriorating section of Whiskey Run near **Clay Street.** The stormwater structure runs beneath Veterans Memorial Boulevard, and signs of collapse raised concerns about its condition. The survey gives our engineers a detailed view of the structure so they can determine the extent of the damage and plan the necessary repairs. (Week of 21 September)



Environmental Compliance


City of Bowling Green
Department of Public Works
1011 College Street P.O Box 430 Bowling Green, KY 42102-0430

CITATION
2026-00012768

S & K FARMS LLC
2750 GRIFFIN DR
BOWLING GREEN KY 421015317

Property in Violation: 2750 GRIFFIN DR

CIVIL PENALTY
$1,000.00

Illicit Discharge

Inspector Journee Waggener
Construction Coordinator I

The City's Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination (IDDE) investigation identified leaking, uncapped, and damaged barrels at a commenrical location. The cited company hired an environmental firm for cleanup and achieved compliance on September 30.

Timeline

SEP 15

Investigation Begins

The City opened the illicit discharge case to address barrel conditions at the site.

SEP 16

Cleanup Crew Arrives

Following a site meeting, the environmental firm removed leaking, uncapped or damaged barrels.

SEP 17

Barrels Removed

The company completed removal of the barrels identified for cleanup.

SEP 28

Case Closed

The site reached compliance, and the City closed the IDDE case.









FACILITIES
WORK ORDER REPORT

SAFE FACILITIES. EFFICIENT OPERATIONS. STRONG COMMUNITY.

WORK ORDERS 104

WORK HOURS 208

	PLUMBING	HVAC	ELECTRICAL	CARPENTRY	CLEANING	OTHER	
1945	PW Admin Pending Demolition		3				
1992	PW Ops	4	2	2	1	1	Bathroom Renovation
1992	PW Fleet	3	2	1			
1907	City Hall	2	3				
1946	CH Annex Pending Demolition	4	5	4		2	
1974	NCS	3	5	2			
1997	BGPD	4	3				
2009	Fire HQ		2	3			
1980	Fire #1	3	2	4			
1980	Fire #2	3	3				Bay Addition
2001	Fire #3		2				

22 BUILDINGS
FACILITIES TEAM

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	PLUMBING	HVAC	ELECTRICAL	CARPENTRY	CLEANING	OTHER
2001 Fire #4		2				
2025 Fire #5		3				
2008 Fire #6	1			2	2	
2020 Fire #7	1					Bees 
2024 Fire #8			1			
1995 Convention Ctr		3				
1872 Hobson House		5	1		2	
1930 White House						Water Usage Check
1987 Transit Bldg						
1987 US Bank Bldg						
 BGPD Tower Spt		3				HVAC Repair

EMPLOYEE Spotlight

Jeremy Beard, Fleet Supervisor
Fleet Division.



Get to Know Me:

- **Favorite Movie:** Fast and Furious
- **Favorite Food:** Mexican
- **Hometown:** Bowling Green, KY
- **Hobbies:** Working on cars
- **Pet(s):** Dog person

From his nominations:

Jeremy's nominations highlighted his support for employees, willingness to share his knowledge, and readiness to help wherever needed—including Operations interviews. He also led the City fleet's Motive dashcam installation and improved service tracking and customer follow-up. Jeremy takes care of his team and everyone who depends on Fleet. Congratulations!

PUBLIC WORKS BOWLING GREEN KY

JEREMY BEARD

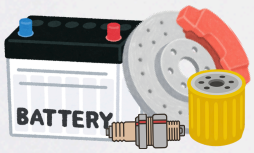
Fleet

Denise Gilland, Manager
(270) 393-3201

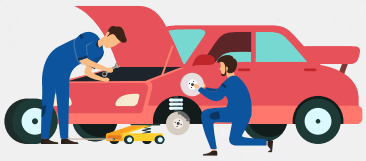
Heavy Duty Truck * Light Duty Trucks & Cars * Police
Fire * ASE Certified Mechanics * Enterprise Fleet Management

- Fleet Surplus: Five 2016 Dodge Charger police pursuit vehicles were approved for surplus on **September 2, 2026**. The vehicles (Assets 17693, 17699, 17701, 17711, and 17716) will be sold at auction.
- A purchase order for Unit 8165 (2026 Ford F-450 Super Duty) for bed and lift repairs in the amount of $3,272.96 was approved on **September 10, 2026**.

September 2026



Filled
Parts Requests
190



Preventative
Work Orders
81



Repair
Work Orders
78

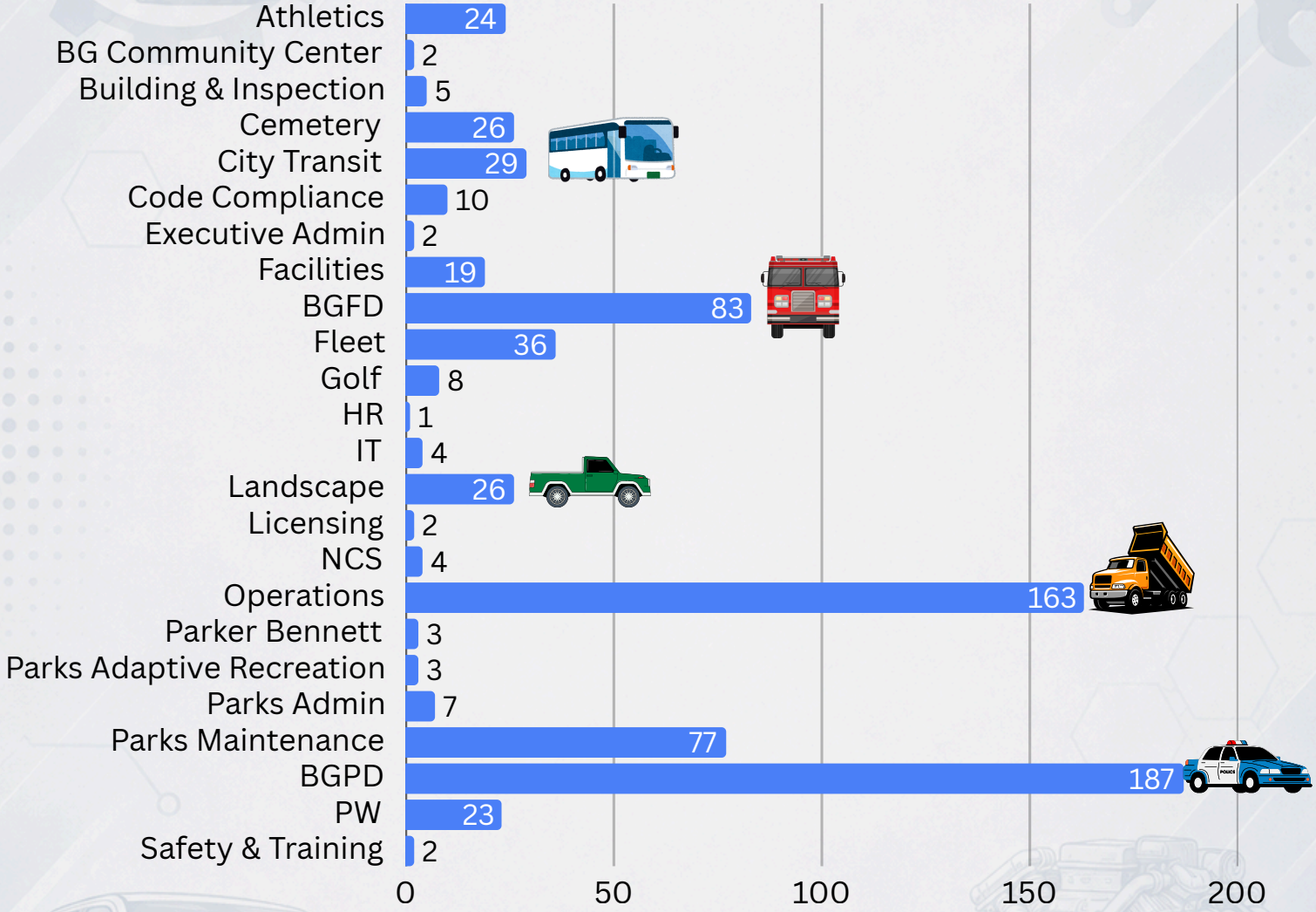


Terry Roberts, Master Automotive Technician, rebuilds a lawn mower engine for the Parks and Recreation Department. From small engines to heavy equipment, our Fleet Division maintains and repairs more than 700 City vehicles and major pieces of equipment. (15 September)

Fleet

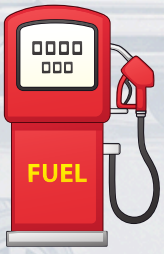
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EQUIPMENT / VEHICLES BY DEPARTMENT



CITY FLEET USAGE ★ ★ ★ AUGUST 2026

Last Month



19.4K
Gallons



4.1K
Gallons



645
Gallons



$85,563.00

Administration

Andy Souza, Director
(270) 393-3657



Ryan Johnson, Operations Manager, and Lizette Garcia, Executive Assistant, along with other Public Works professionals from across Kentucky, accepted the APWA PACE Award on behalf of the Kentucky Branch of the American Public Works Association. This recognition took place in Houston, TX, during this year's PWX Conference.



Executive Assistant Lizette Garcia, far left, traveled to Henrico County, Virginia as an American Public Works Association Evaluator to assess the county's adherence to APWA standards. (17 September)

Administration

Andy Souza, Director
(270) 393-3657

Public Hearing	Planning & Design Division	The proposed Fiscal Year 2027 expenditure recommendations for the Municipal Aid Program (Liquid Fuel Tax) and Coal Mineral Severance Tax funds was presented on **1 September 2026.**
Promotion	Operations Division	The Board of Commissioners approved Municipal Order 2026-200, approving the promotion Of Kristopher Keenan to the position of Crew Leader in the Public Works Department on **15 September 2026**.
New Hires	Operations Division	The Board of Commissioners approved Municipal Order 2026-201, approving the probationary appointments Of Hunter Corbitt and Jake Johnson to the position of Operations Maintenance Technician I in the Public Works Department on **15 September 2026**.
East Precinct Renovation	Facilities Division	The Board of Commissioners approved Municipal Order 2026-209, authorizing and accepting Bid #2027-05 for the Police Department East Precinct interior renovation project from Windsor Construction in an amount not to exceed **$595,085.27 on 15 September 2026.**
Stormwater Quality Inspections	Environmental Division	The Board of Commissioners approved Municipal Order 2026-210, authorizing an agreement through noncompetitive negotiations with EnSafe, Inc. to provide third party post construction Stormwater quality inspections in the amount Of S 150,000 on **15 September 2026**.

Topic	Media	Date	Link
Retention Basins	**WNKY**	**1 September**	Click Here
Foutain Squre Construction	**WBKO**	**16 September**	Click Here