

## **YEAR END SEPTEMBER 30, 2018 – LIST OF MAJOR PROJECTS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS OVER LAST 3 YEARS**

### **BUDGET / FINANCIAL / AUDIT**

1. Lowest millage of Full Service Cities in Pinellas County over 20,000 population  
(St. Petersburg 6.755; Clearwater 5.955; Largo 5.7413; Pinellas Park 5.49; Tarpon Springs 5.42)
2. Balanced Budget with no use of reserves for the past 3 fiscal years FY 17, FY 18 and FY 19
3. Successful Internal Audits including: IT, Procurement Services, RO Plant, Utility Billing
4. External Audit – no audit comments
5. Distinguished Budget Presentation Award – 19 consecutive years
6. Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting – 27 consecutive years
7. Constant monitoring of all funds to ensure compliance with Federal, State, County and City laws, policies and procedures
8. Improved Financial Transparency with Financial Statements on the City Web Site and Improved Budget reporting with the Executive Summary
9. Improved Financial reporting to the Board of Commissioners, Budget Advisory Committee and Citizens Academy
10. Vendor Change and Redesign of Utility Bills and Delinquent Notices to provide easier to understand statements and ability to include informational bill inserts
11. Input and reconciliation of all FEMA documentation required for Hurricane Irma
12. P-Card System Rebates of \$145,957 over the last 3 years
13. Over \$14 million in total grants from FY 2015 – FY 2018  
Largest Grants Received for FY 2015 – FY 2018:
  - SAFER Grant \$121,300
  - FDOT Landscaping \$94,526
  - Performing Arts Center Renovation \$500,000
  - SWFMMD Water Plant \$10,369,007
  - SWFWMD Reclaimed Tank \$2,202,786
14. Conversion of Banking Services from Bank of America to JP Morgan Chase – allows the City to provide more services at the same cost with improved customer service

### **UTILITIES: WATER, WASTE WATER, RECLAIMED WATER, STORM WATER**

15. RO Plant brought online ending reliance on Tampa Bay Water
16. New Reclaimed Water Tank increased capacity of reclaimed water system
17. Expansion of Reclaimed System to Westwinds and Grassy Point (over 300 homes)
18. Lake Tarpon Sewer System Expansion
19. Waste Water Treatment Plant Clarifier
20. Wastewater Treatment Plant Award
21. R O Plant Award
22. Solar Project for RO Plant (in Procurement phase)
23. Implementation of 10 year stabilization plan for utility rates to reduce rates to only inflationary increases

## **ROADWAYS / WATERWAYS**

24. Spruce Street extension (80% complete)
25. Anclote River Dredge Project
26. Meres Boulevard Extension
27. Expansion of Anclote River No Wake Zone

## **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

28. Increased efficiencies with Microsoft Exchange (Provides secure remote access by staff to email and other functions)
29. Cloud storage of financial systems provides increased security and stability
30. GIS Implementation and expansion
31. City Employee Portal for online access to employment and payroll data
32. Live Streaming (via computer and app) of BOC and other advisory board meetings
33. Expansion of On Line Services to residents and businesses such as: Public Records, Business Licenses, bill payment, etc.
34. Payment by Phone for utility bills
35. Work Flow system for Business Licenses to streamline approval process

## **SECURITY / RECORDS**

36. City Hall Building Security
37. Bar Coding for fixed assets and physical assets
38. Armored Vault Services – more secure deposits
39. Document recovery services for disaster recovery
40. Records Room Improvements
41. On site bulk secure shredding

## **OTHER CITY FACILITIES**

42. Cemetery Improvements and Expansion Project
43. Thorough review, reorganization of Finance Department filing systems enabling the City to re-purpose former Finance file room.
44. Kayak Launch, playground and other improvements at the Splash Park
45. Sealing and exterior building improvements at City Hall
46. Auditorium Upgrades
47. Driving Range Improvements
48. Richard Ervin Park and Highland Nature Park improvements
49. Boat Ramp Improvements

## **EMPLOYEE HEALTH / TRAINING**

50. Expansion of use of Employee Clinic and other employee health improvement projects such as weight watchers and health education programs on site
51. Power DMS Employee Training On-Line System; Expanded employee leadership training
52. Expanded Safety Training program for employees and revived Safety Committee
53. Police and Fire fitness program and enhanced physicals for public safety

## **PUBLIC OUTREACH / CULTURAL SERVICES**

54. Citizens Academy (6)
55. Senior Information Center
56. New Special Collections at Library: Seed Library, Musical Instruments, Launch Pads, STEAM kits
57. Library participation in On Line High School
58. Little Free libraries at various locations around the City
59. Public Art Installations and decorative bike racks
60. GRO Group absorbed into Recreation Division
61. Community Garden
62. Resident Newsletter for Utility Bills
63. Upgraded Website Software for enhances on line transactions
64. Implementation of election mandate for Spanish Translation
65. Joint Outreach for Senior Low Income Transportation with PSTA
66. City Help email for quick response to Citizen questions
67. Increased Performing Arts Venues Tickets Sold 38% over 3 year period
68. Increased Performing Arts Venues Revenue over 70% in 3 year period
69. Redesigned TarponArts website
70. Expanded Lunch and Learn Program bringing speakers from all over Florida to Heritage Museum
71. Programs such as Night in the Islands promote Greek culture, music and dancing to the public
72. New sponsorships for the Performing Arts program from Florida Hospital North Pinellas, St Mark Village and the Kathleen Monahan Foundation
73. Renovation of the Performing Arts Center lobby funded by the Kathleen Monahan Foundation
74. Updated Greek Community of Tarpon Springs Exhibit and creation of the Greek Community Documentation online exhibit at USF Library/Special Collections Website
75. Walk Tarpon Springs Audio Tour

## **PUBLIC SAFETY / EMERGENCY OPERATIONS**

76. Emergency Operations Center Upgrades
77. Construction and staffing of Station 71 improved response times in the northern fire district
78. New Fire Engine in service September 2018
79. Mobilized tablets for fire inspections
80. Mitigated effects of Hurricane Irma with enhanced systems for traffic control
81. New portable generators to reduce service interruptions during power outages
82. Infrastructure improvements to guard against storm impacts such as discharges and overflows, and to insure reliability of systems.
83. Re-accreditation of Police Department
84. Community Policing Program Award for the Cops and Kids Program from the Tampa Bay Police Chiefs Association
85. School Resource Officer Program Improvements and Expansion
86. Upgraded Computer Aided Dispatch
87. Police remote pre shift meetings at local businesses to improve community policing
88. Coffee with a Cop program

## **PLANNING / DEVELOPMENT / BEAUTIFICATION**

89. Annexed 6.5 Acres over last 3years
90. Approved 242 new apartment units
91. Approved 20 new townhome units
92. Added a City Planner position increasing the City's planning capacity
93. Adopted standards to increase number of hotel units allowed in certain districts
94. Approved the relocation of the Tarpon Aquarium
95. Approved Redevelopment of the former Office Depot Site
96. Approved the Clearwater Marine Aquarium Mammal Stranding and Rehabilitation Center
97. Historic Street Signage for the Historic District
98. CRA Grants – Façade Grants of \$166,000 to 18 businesses resulting in \$770,000 in private investment. Restaurant Recruitment Grants of \$34,000 to 7 businesses resulting in \$154,000 in private investment
99. Commercial, Residential and Public Development Projects (listing attached)
100. Building Development Department Statistics:
  - Total Number of Permits by Fiscal Year:
    - FY 2016 = 3755
    - FY 2017 = 3857
    - FY 2018 (to date) = 4069
  - Total Number of New Residential Homes (3 Years) = 274
  - Total Valuation of Permitted Commercial (3 Years) = \$24,087,385