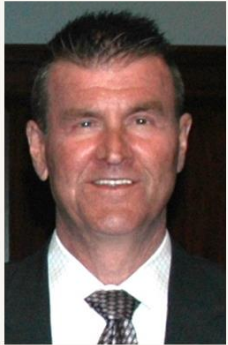




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“From a financial point of view, 2020 was a good year for the City even in the midst of the COVID pandemic.”

State of the City, 2021

By Thomas J. Fromme

As we enter into 2021 it's time to reflect and report on the activities and condition of the City. The past year has been difficult and challenging, but we are beginning to see light at the end of the tunnel. It is years like this where we discover how resilient our community can be during stressful times. Now is the time to reignite our optimism and look both back and forward at our accomplishments and goals.

Newport has enjoyed one success after another over the last 15 years even through one of the worst recessions in American history. From a financial point of view, 2020 was a good year for the City even in the midst of the COVID pandemic, which caused many local businesses to close throughout a significant portion of the year.

On the fiscal side, the City has continued working on improving and stabilizing our finances. For the calendar year the City ended with a General Fund Cash Balance of \$4,308,020, an increase of \$882,140 from 2019. We have also established reserve funds for compensated absences, equipment and legacy pension obligations. Our fiscal year 2020 budget ended with revenues surpassing our budgeted projections. Over the last six years, the City's net payroll revenues have increased by \$1,348,181. In 2020 the City gained a net 72 new companies and 263 net new employees. This growth is critical since payroll taxes are our primary source of revenue, accounting for approximately 32% of our budget. Some of our largest businesses are PL Marketing, Kroger, Defender Direct, Divisions, Inc., Impact Sales, St. Elizabeth, DJ Joseph Co., National Band and Tag Co. Inc., I-Wireless and Nexigen Communications.

During this period of time from 2006- 2020, the projects shown in the below inset have been undertaken or completed. These projects are just a few of the many improvements and developments during this 15 year period. In 2020 we celebrated many ground breakings and ribbon cuttings throughout the City. Corporex completed construction of the Music Venue and will begin construction of a hotel and office building in the near future. The Route 9 project is nearing completion of its final phase, opening up a new growth corridor for the City. The Academy on 4th Residential development was completed bringing new residents to the downtown area. Newport on the Levee, under new ownership, has also commenced a 100-million-dollar renovation. When complete the Levee will present a new vision and fresh new look.

While many great things are happening in the City, we also are confronted with ongoing serious challenges. Rising costs related to personnel, specifically, crippling increases in pension costs dictated by the state pension system are expected to add \$1.2 million to our pension contribution. Due to these increases and other rising costs, we are continually examining ways to maintain an excellent level of service in the future within the constraints of our revenue. Perhaps the most difficult challenge for Newport and for surrounding cities is addressing the delivery of public services to our residents. We continue to operate with a very small efficient staff and make every effort to provide a high quality of service in a cost-effective manner (having reduced City staffing by nearly 30 employees in recent years). Currently we have approximately 114 full time employees, with more than 80 in public safety.

The City continues to invest heavily in our infrastructure and equipment, however the aging infrastructure and rising costs continue to be a significant issue. During the next few years, we anticipate spending several million dollars on infrastructure related projects and equipment acquisition, including upgrades to the 800 MHz radio system used for public safety. The fiscal year 2021 and fiscal year 2022 budget and work priorities include a focus on capital improvements, such as South Monmouth Corridor improvements and Festival Park renovation.

From 2006 through 2020 the following projects have been undertaken:

- ❖ *Southshore Condominiums*
- ❖ *Vue 180 Residential*
- ❖ *Monmouth Row Residential*
- ❖ *Aqua on the Levee Residential/Hotel*
- ❖ *Hampton Inn*
- ❖ *Nexigen*
- ❖ *Ethos Labs*
- ❖ *St. Elizabeth Urgent Care*
- ❖ *Newport Pavilion Retail Center*
- ❖ *Route 9 Connector*
- ❖ *New Riff Distillery and Rick House - East and West Campuses*
- ❖ *Citywide LED Streetlight Replacement*
- ❖ *Green Line Bus Barn Renovation*
- ❖ *Purchase of New Public Works Facility*
- ❖ *Redevelopment of Carothers Road*
- ❖ *Clifton Hills Senior Citizens Residential*
- ❖ *BB Riverboats Newport Landing Redevelopment*
- ❖ *Millions of Dollars in Single Family Home Investments*
- ❖ *Street and Sidewalk Restoration in Excess of \$8 Million*
- ❖ *Infrastructure Repairs to address Runoff*
- ❖ *Improvements to Riverfront Commons*
- ❖ *Ovation*
- ❖ *Newport Clifton CitiRama*
- ❖ *Academy on 4th*
- ❖ *SkyPoint Condominiums*
- ❖ *Newport Gaming and Racing*

Much was accomplished in 2020, and 2021 continues to look very promising. Construction on Ovation and changes at Newport on the Levee will continue throughout the year and beyond. Construction on Carothers Road and design work on the South Monmouth street (US 27) will commence and continue throughout the next few years, including a partnership with surrounding cities on smart corridor initiatives. Development of a mixed-use hotel and office development is also expected to begin during the year on the site adjacent to the Peace Bell. We will also continue with our City-wide street and sidewalk repaving program and streetscape improvements on Monmouth Street. The Baptist Home condominium development is scheduled to be near completion and the 13th Street Citi-Rama project will begin construction in late spring. We also plan on finishing The Comprehensive Plan 5 year review as required by statute.

Our goals for 2021 continue to include: further redevelopment of residential and commercial properties; working on quality of life issues - such as parks and recreation; and maintaining a safe walkable community. From a fiscal perspective, we continue working on growing revenues, improving our credit rating, and keeping our expenses reasonable.

The goals for 2021 are listed in their entirety in this Annual Report and metrics can be found on our online transparency portal at <https://newportky.opengov.com>.

Great things are happening in Newport!

Sincerely,
Thomas J. Fromme, City Manager



*Mayor, Board of Commissioners, and City
Management*

2020 Accomplishments

General Government and Administration

- FY 2020 audit completed and report dated by 12/31/20.
- Placed into service two dedicated credit card machines for processing payments upstairs.
- Implemented Fraud Controls on BB&T Bank Accounts; Both 'ACH Control' & 'Positive Pay'.
- Creation of the Finance@Newportky.gov email for tax information during COVID 19
- LicenseQuestions@Newportky.gov is now shared by all finance persons for quicker response to the public
- Due to COVID-19, large gray drop-boxes, trays with forms, envelopes and pens were installed in both the front and rear vestibules for faster service. These will stay in place post COVID.
- A tracking system for 'Large Building Projects' (TIF specific) was set up.
- First year ABC report/reconciliation for the 2.5%, Regulatory Fee was completed. This report will be used to adjust the fee in future years.
- Executed the following COVID relief programs: 'ABC Extended Hours Escrow' and 'ABC License Deferment'.
- Successfully applied for and expended CARES Act funding.
- Applied for FEMA funds for COVID related expenses.
- Continued to update Open Gov with automated financial integration between systems.
- Facebook likes up to 2,834, and 3,195 followers. Successfully migrated to Facebook Live Board/Commission meetings due to COVID.
- Created new City You Tube Channel.
- Continued to communicate City news to the public through emails, eblasts, Facebook and Zoom.
- Undertook media campaign to promote participation in Census, along with the Complete Count Committee.

Public Safety: Police

- Purchased additional upgraded Wolfcom Halo body cameras to replace aging and defective units to remain integrated with future technology.
- Completed training in regards to the FARO state of the art crime scene and critical incident mapping technology.
- Expanded the Newport Police Department citywide camera system with the purchase and installation of cameras covering ingress/egress points of the city as well as highly traveled portions of the city.
- Updated Policy and Procedure manual to current accreditation standards.
- Purchased vehicles to replace antiquated fleet vehicles and equipment.
- Purchased stationary speed monitoring device.
- Upon an independent review completed by our insuring agency (Kentucky League of Cities), it was determined that the Newport Police Department retains its 'Excellent Account Status' reflecting a top tier insurance standing.

2020 Accomplishments (continued)

Public Safety: Fire

- Received FEMA Grant for Fire Station Vehicle Exhaust Systems and installed same.
- Replaced 1989 Engine and put New in Service.
- Promoted 1 Captain, 1 Lieutenant and 2 Engineers because of 2 Retirements and hired 2 new Firefighter/Medics.
- Have 4 members participating on the County Fire Investigation Team.
- Went through hiring process to replace part-time Administrative Assistant.
- Worked on County FEMA 800 Radio Grant.
- Updated the Department Organizational Chart and changed areas of responsibilities, because of retirements and promotions.
- Surveyed buildings that had structural problems to improve Firefighters safety.
- Received FEMA Safer Grant for 3 Replacement Firefighters.
- Had to cope with the COVID Pandemic.

Infrastructure, Transportation and Maintenance

- US 27 Streetscape / Redesign drafted, meetings with property/business owners conducted.
- Bridges Project / Riverwalk Completed construction.
- Carothers Road Design – Updated to work with US 27 project.
- Monmouth Street Sidewalk Improvements from 8th - 9th Street.
- Resurfaced of Fort Beech Road and Poplar Street.
- Assisted residents with a Vision Zero application for street striping and crosswalks on Chesapeake Avenue.
- Implemented Sidewalk Replacement Program.
- 3rd and Washington Damaged Mast Arm Pole replaced, and intersection reworked per KYTC.
- 16th Street Storm Sewer improvements and speed humps installed.
- Central Avenue – 13th Street to Grandview Avenue rebuilt.
- Lower Grandview Avenue stabilized and resurfaced Central Avenue to Main Street.
- Overlook Street stabilized and resurfaced.
- Repaired sunken portions of Waters Alley.
- Implemented a plan to rebuild Vastine Alley, South of 10th Street to the railroad tracks.
- Replaced six Public Works vehicles – 5 with plows and spreaders.
- Took delivery of a skid steer.
- HVAC and Roof replaced on City Municipal Complex.
- Installed glass partitions to the 2nd flood counter and improved service window at the Police Department (COVID – 19 related).
- Installed drop boxes in the vestibules (COVID 19 related).
- Maintained all City Parks.

2020 Accomplishments (continued)

- Flood Levee Administration:
 - KYTC Route 9 Closure progressing.
 - Riverwalk Phase III Bridges Project Construction complete.
 - Ovation Parking Structure Plan Permit Approved by USACE.
 - Completed Flood Levee Recertification Process.
 - Completed Slide repair at Washington Street Pump Station.
 - New Riff Phase III (West Campus) Permit Approved and Project Completed.
 - Large vegetation removal (trees and brush) at toe of Levee – Columbia Street to Central Avenue.

Community and Economic Development

- Business Recruitment / Retention
 - Created and administered COVID Assistance grants totaling 63 approvals and approx. \$160,000 provided to restaurants, retail establishments and entertainment businesses.
 - Seven business retention meetings held.
 - Participated in Tri-ED's Business Assistance Committee.
 - 11 Ribbon Cuttings (During COVID).
 - Provided New Business "Welcome to Newport" emails to 30+ businesses.
 - Continued active involvement with the Newport Business Association.
 - Continued to maintain Available Property file for prospective new and expanding businesses.
 - Continued to promote brick and mortar businesses via various Sale/Promotion events, Seasonal promotions: Planters On/Off Monmouth Street, Christmas Bear displays.
 - Attended Neighborhood Meetings.
- Development / Real Estate Progress:
 - Peace Bell State TIF Economic Impact Study underway.
 - Ovation Music Venue began construction began, Phase II (Hotel and Office Buildings) approved, TIF annual reporting successfully submitted. USACE Permit for Flood Wall modification approved.
 - CitiRAMA project financing and engineering continued for 13/14th Street housing development in Clifton.
 - Skypoint Condominium project continued, with sales.
 - Lease option approved for Newport Landfill Redevelopment. Due diligence began.
 - Newport on the Levee Bridgeview Park and The Exchange opened.
 - Newport Gaming and Racing Opened at the Newport Shopping Center
 - Processed 5 Façade Grant Applications.
 - Six Property Tax Assessment Moratoriums approved.
 - Worked with Duke Energy on underground electric project for Route 9.
 - Established new contacts with owner of Steel Site on Lowell / Route 9.

2020 Accomplishments (continued)

Community and Economic Development (continued)

- Recreation and Culture
 - Applied for Recreational Trails Grant for Festival Park.
 - Applied for and was awarded SNK Grant funds from OKI for Riverfront Commons Trail @ Festival Park.
 - Released RFQ for Engineering Services for Update to Festival Park Plan.
 - Floodwall Mural Grant Received, Painting Progressed.
 - Undertook Public Art Survey in partnership with Southbank Partners and ArtsWave.
 - Newport Dog Park relocated and improved with a walking path and small dog area.
 - Ralph Mussman Complex tennis courts, basketball courts and volleyball courts resurfaced and new water fountains installed.
 - Continued to work with Campbell County Farmers Market, LiveWell-Newport, the Newport Foundation and the Newport History Museum on various community related events.
- Planning and Zoning
 - Comprehensive Plan Update
 - Assembled 32-member Steering Committee.
 - Held Five Steering Committee meetings.
 - Conducted Online Public Survey.
 - Created Online Virtual Public Forum/ Public Meeting Portal using OpenGov.
 - Drafted Goals, Objectives, and Strategies; began prioritization.
 - Held Four Focus Group Meetings.
 - Held 3 Planning Commission meetings, reviewed 7 map/text amendments/development plan cases.
 - All Planning Commission members are up to date on required HB 55 training.

Code Enforcement

- Implemented a new Building Permit application and tracking system that allows the public to apply for permits and pay via the internet.
- Continued the process of the comprehensive review of the City's zoning code and historic preservation guidelines.
- Issued 785 Building Permits and collected \$258,367 in permit fees based on an estimated construction cost of \$63,029,182.
- Collected \$230,288 in delinquent taxes.
- Filed 6 new foreclosure cases.

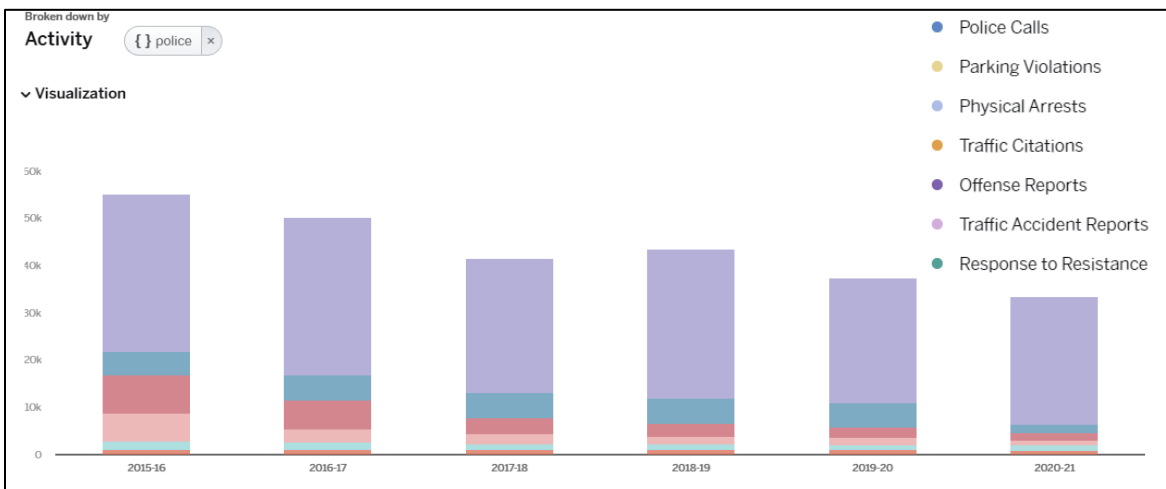
Key Metrics, 2015-2020

General Government	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Worker Compensation Claims	22	14	13	10	11
Injury Days Lost – “Days Away”	71	72	241	271	Not Available
Sick Time Utilized	6,372 hours	7,054 hours	7,903 hours	7,504 hours	12,028 hours
Delinquent Collections /Property Task Force*	\$285,067	\$218,972	\$568,762*	\$361,440*	\$230,289*

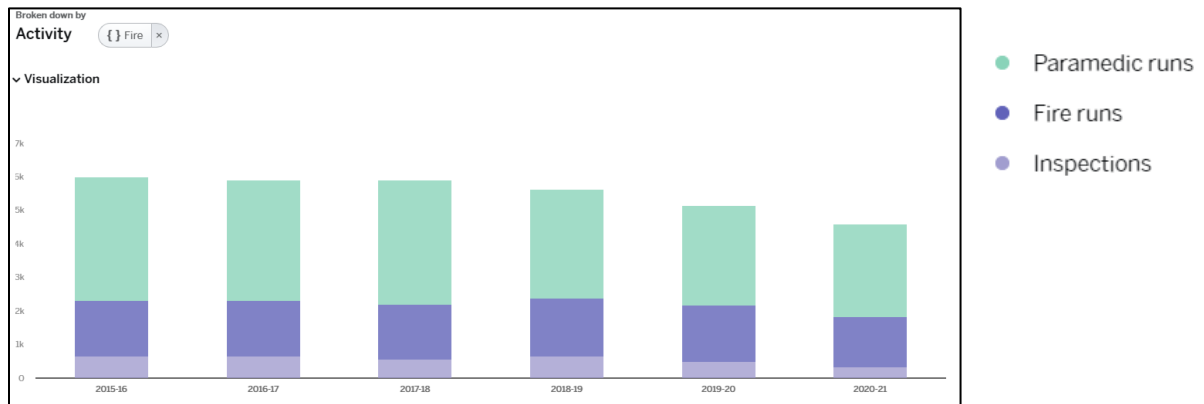
Personnel Summary	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
<i>City Manager's Office</i>						
Total City Manager's Office Full Time	4	5	6	6	5	5
Total Part Time	8	8	6	5	5	7
<i>Finance and Administration</i>						
Total Full Time	6	6	6	6	7	7
Total Part Time	0	1	1	1	0	0
<i>Police</i>						
Total Full Time	46	45	46	44	44	44
Total Part Time	5	5	5	6	6	6
<i>Fire</i>						
Total Full Time	38	38	38	38	34	37*Grant
Total Part Time	0	0	0	0	1	1
<i>Development Services</i>						
Total Full Time	4	6	7	5	5	6
Total Part Time	1	1	3	3	3	2
<i>Community Services</i>						
Total Full Time	14	15	15	15	16	16
Total Part Time	19	19	21	23	19	19
TOTAL FULL TIME	112	115	118	114	111	114
TOTAL PART TIME	33	33	36	38	34	35
TOTAL EMPLOYEES	145	148	154	152	145	149

Business Information	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
New Companies	55	56	60	71	92	103
Lost Companies	15	31	69	31	22	31
New Employees	321	325	163	208	258	319
Lost Employees	66	235	121	84	64	56
Net Payroll	\$6,019,821	\$6,097,040	\$6,622,816	\$6,767,956	\$7,026,574	\$7,249,325

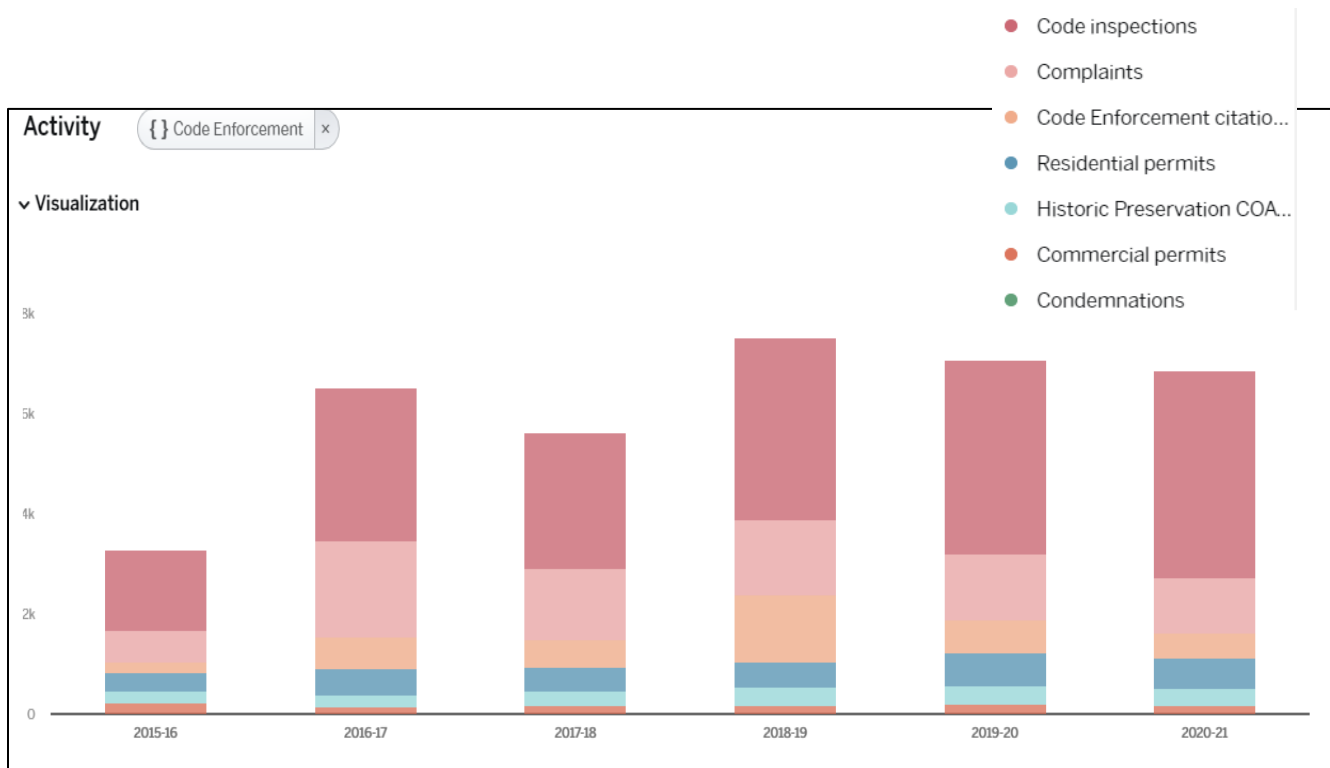
Police	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Police calls	33,367	33,269	28,424	31,632	26,433	26,922
Traffic citations	5,915	2,811	2,149	1,610	1,476	1,039
Physical arrests	8,060	6,116	3,450	2,646	2,100	1,562
Traffic accident reports	1,202	1,165	1,163	1,169	1,140	942
Offense reports	1,716	1,513	1,166	1,208	1,115	1,141
Response to resistance	16	12	15	15	8	6
Parking Violations	4,946	5,430	5,319	5,431	5,302	1,902
Parking meter collections	\$212,581	\$234,174	\$214,992	\$221,126	\$224,817	\$109,948



Fire	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Paramedic runs	3,702	3,592	3,710	3,245	2,976	2,780
Fire runs	1,642	1,643	1,636	1,712	1,672	1,499
Inspections	673	678	573	675	518	334 (Suspended due to COVID)
Ambulance Revenues	\$522,630	\$467,833	\$387,724	\$454,249	\$414,503	\$383,730



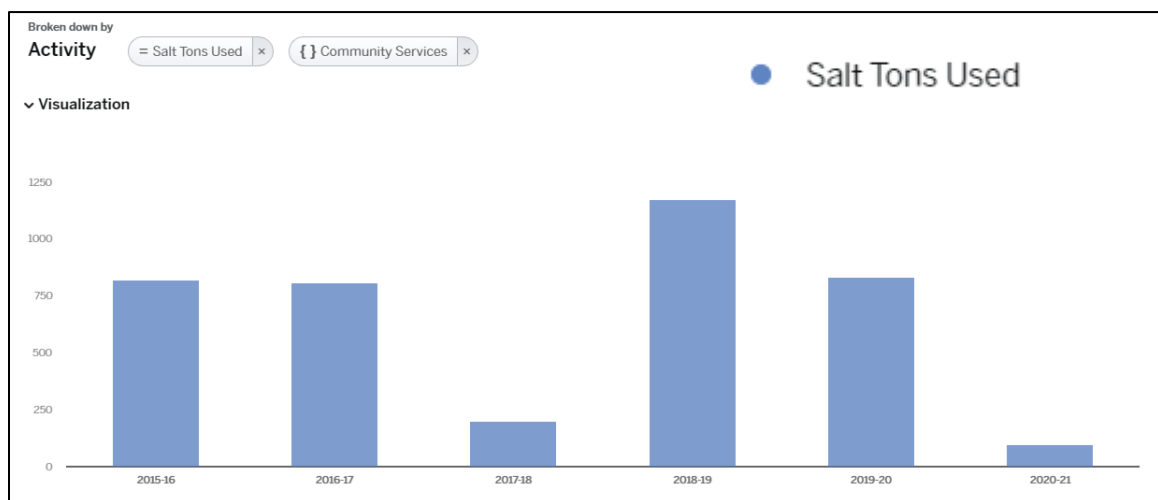
Code Enforcement	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Code Enforcement Citations	620	555	1,339	677	493
Code inspections	3,048	2,707	3,621	3,871	4,135
Condemnations	18	19	16	11	21
Residential permits	539	463	508	642	614
Residential Construction Cost	\$5,914,259	\$5,409,907	\$1,0285,311	\$8,219,777	\$10,740,398
Residential Permit Fees	\$61,954	\$48,939	\$64,522	\$69,726	\$822,022
Commercial permits	139	159	166	200	171
Commercial Construction Cost	\$5,568,938	\$8,376,022	\$34,922,106	\$40,333,341	\$52,288,784
Commercial Permit Fees	\$33,161	\$35,765	\$101,127	\$123,436	\$176,345
Complaints	1,920	1,440	1,506	1,303	1,108
Number of Code Officers	3	2.5	3.5	3.5	4
Historic Preservation COA's issued	230	296	361	371	324



Public Works	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Street Miles Paved	3.5	1.6	1.4	0	3.7	0.75
Tons of Asphalt	446.4	389.7	164	92	88	38.38
Potholes filled	4,464	3,897	1,640	920	879	390
Handicap access ramps	22	13	12	10	14	7
Trees removed	12	38	26	58	15	32
Trees planted	130	212	28	71	177	34
Salt tons used	822	810	200	1,177	833.44	100
Overtime for snow removal	76	430	134.5	534.5	369.5	68.67
Days streets swept	158	160	161	168	163	187
Pool Attendance	8,166	9,151	6,740	6,157	8,148	Closed Due to COVID
Field use / Permits *Actual Permits (versus Users)	82	87	742*	396*	408	450
Signs replaced/installed	115	178	123	150	207	320
Crosswalks striped	24	16	22	22	8	20
Streetlights replaced	252	750	600	19	7	6

Capital Equipment					
Purchased 2018	Cost	Purchased 2019	Cost	Purchased 2020	Cost
Springbrook Software	\$36,042	Springbrook Software	\$10,124	9 Dodge Durangos	\$255,608
3 Dodge Chargers	\$91,244	7 Dodge Chargers	\$195,010	3 Dodge Chargers	\$85,115
2 Ford Explorers	\$68,536	1 Ford Explorer	\$27,840	2 Honda Side by Sides	\$35,010
1 Jeep Cherokee/ 1 Grand Cherokee	\$55,786	1 Horton Custom Ambulance	\$197,788	Fire Engine/Pumper	\$571,008
Vet's Pool Lighting Replacements	\$39,925	1 Clark Forklift	\$22,595	Laserfiche Software	\$30,316
		2 Medical/ Ambulance Power Cots	\$89,210	Skid Steer	\$71,641
				4 Ram Trucks	\$215,220
				2 Ford F350 Trucks	\$115,292
				Mussman Complex Resurfacing	\$132,690
				City Building Roof & HVAC Replacement	\$1,147,417
				Leaf Collector	\$65,500
				Exhaust System – South Station	\$20,869
				Glass Divider: City Building	\$15,464
Total:	\$291,533	Total:	\$542,567	Total:	\$2,563,876

Infrastructure Improvements					
2018		2019		2020	
Street Resurfacing	\$262,012	Street Resurfacing	\$405,802	Street Resurfacing	\$354,092
Carothers Rd.	\$30,428	Carothers Rd.	\$11,381	Newport US 27 Streetscape	\$340,532
Mast Arm Poles	\$82,352	Mast Arm Poles	\$15,445	3rd & Washington Traffic Update	\$154,608
Riverfront Commons III	\$36,295	Riverfront Commons III	\$9,900	Riverfront Commons III	\$1,281,763
Parking Lot LED Lights	\$47,000	Monmouth Streetscape Improvements	\$108,523	Monmouth Streetscape Improvements	\$114,612
Rt. 9 Underground Utilities	\$500,000	Rt. 9 Lighting Upgrade (91)	\$105,000	Poplar Street Resurfacing	\$16,927
Duke Energy: City-Wide LED Streetlights)	\$372,011	Duke Energy: City-Wide LED Streetlights	\$58,434	Wildcat Dr. Relocation	\$258,823
Wildcat Dr.	\$19,735	Waterworks Rd. Sewer Improvements	\$16,175	Fort Beech Rd. Resurfacing	\$52,319
Project 1620 Roundabouts	\$11,892	Buena Vista Fitness Court	\$93,200	Grandview Stabilization	\$158,228
Slide Repairs/ Floodwall	\$21,700	Slide Repairs: Grandview/ Floodwall	\$13,630	Waterworks Dam	\$11,286
Grandview Ave	\$315,770	9th St. Catch Basin Improvement Project	\$23,378		
Watch Hill Curbs	\$56,918	Bernadette Watkins Playground Equipment	\$25,625		
Riverfront Commons II	\$41,052				
Total:	\$1,797,165	Total:	\$886,493	Total:	\$2,743,190



2021 Goals

General Government and Administration

- Continue to strengthen the City's reserves.
- Complete FY 2022 Budget Book in time for second reading.
- Convert computer room into secondary vault/ long-term record storage room including racking system.
- Implement 'Tracker' system for Building Permit to investigate issues: OL status, unpaid taxes, rentals licensing and ABC issues.
- Complete the "exchange of Information Agreement" with the Kentucky Department of Revenue.
- Update City Website.
- Continue to enhance communications through use of digital technology (including Board of Commissioner's meetings).
- Complete successful Union negotiations.
- Establish Neighborhood Parking Lot Program.
- Establish Collapsed Lateral Assistance Program.

Public Safety: Police

- Purchase sixteen more Traffic Logix solar powered LED stop signs.
- Assist in the planning, development, and safety of new bike and walking trails.
- Develop quality of life unit into Newport Police Community Services Division.
- Research grant opportunities for a social worker program.
- Purchase five new police cruisers to replace aging fleet vehicles and equipment.
- Research and potentially develop a drone program.
- Further training to include all patrol supervision on the FARO state of the art crime scene and critical incident mapping technology.
- Further expand the Newport Police Department citywide camera system with the purchase and installation of more cameras to cover highly traveled parts of the city.
- Successfully complete formal state accreditation audit.

Public Safety: Fire

- Train 5 Replacement Firefighters for their specific areas of responsibilities.
- Train Replacement Administrative Assistant.
- Make sure the Department is fully trained on the use of the new County Radio System.
- Renew Efforts on Building Preplans.
- Participate with Active Shooter Drills at Newport on the Levee.
- Continue to Survey Abandoned and Condemned Structures for Risk Assessment Reference Interior Firefighting.
- Prepare a new Firefighter Eligibility and Engineer Promotion List because of upcoming Retirements and 1 Lt. List and Captain List.
- Review and study area Ambulance Transport fees.

2021 Goals (continued)

Infrastructure, Transportation and Maintenance

- Repair Waterworks Road Slide.
- Implement Neighborhood Parking Lot Initiative.
- Continue City building renovations: Carpet, Fob System, Ceiling Tiles.
- Repair 19th Street Retention Basin Slide.
- Complete Flood Levee Repairs at Columbia Street.
- Construct Riddle Drive Drainage area.
- Continue Mussman Park Improvements, make additional improvements at Bernadette Watkins.
- Finish sidewalk replacement plan (Tree Damage).
- Continue phases for Monmouth Street Paver Replacement.
- Phase II Carothers Construction.
- Finalize Design and Begin Construction of US 27 Streetscape Improvements
- Install 12 handicapped ramps.
- Replace 200 feet of deteriorated curbs.
- Continue Tree Maintenance Program.
- Stripe Pavilion Parkway.
- Power wash Monmouth Street sidewalk.
- Replace Truck #35 (dump truck).
- Add 1 public works position.

Community and Economic Development

- Continue Business Recruitment / Retention Efforts.
- Continue progress on all current Development Projects.
- Close out Façade Program.
- Oversee Economic Development Incentive Programs.
- Planning Commission Administration and Oversight.
- Complete 2020 Comprehensive Plan Update and kick off implementation strategies.
- Hire Planning & Zoning Technician.
- Continue Zoning Updates / Review of Fee Structures.
- Finalize Design for Renovation of Festival Park, continue to apply for funding.

Code Enforcement

- Implement new Citation tracking software that will allow inspectors to issue citations in field.
- Continue the process of zoning code and historic preservation ordinances updates.
- Continue to collect delinquent amounts due to the City.
- Continue to identify vacant properties and take whatever steps needed to bring them into compliance with code and/or aid in redevelopment of the property.
- Continue to work to correct problem properties throughout the City through cooperation of Police Department and the Legal Department.



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