

2016



Department Annual Reports



Highlighted Accomplishments



At a Glance

- Facebook page likes increased 50% in 2016
- More focus on event advertising, coordination between City website updates and social media posts
- Included Solicitor listing on the City website
- 94 FOIA requests were processed
- Deputy Clerk Lisa Pickering became a Certified Municipal Clerk through the International Institute of Municipal Clerks.

Deputy City Clerk Lisa Pickering and Senior Accounting Clerk Rachel Wright were both recognized for completing 96 hours of course work, over a two year period of specialized training through the Communities of Excellence program that is offered by Waubensee Community College. The Communities of Excellence Initiative responds to the professional development of local government employees by enhancing the broad range of skills needed to serve the public.



Shared Services

The City Council approved an Intergovernmental Agreement with Oswego for shared Public Works resources, and conducted one sharing of workers with Oswego.

Also, the City and Oswego continue to work on a joint agreement for Information Technology Services.

City Council endorsed the recommendation to study regional water plant with Oswego and Montgomery on the Fox River.

Aurora Area Convention and Visitors Bureau

The City approved a Resolution to work with the Aurora Area Convention and Visitors Bureau in a Municipal Marketing Pilot Program. This is proposed to offer targeting marketing programs to the participating municipalities. The hope is to offer quantifiable results based on dedicated marketing and advertising programs above and beyond the regional "Destination" marketing and sales efforts handled by the AACVB sales and marketing staff.



Request for Proposals/Bids/Qualifications

Request for Proposal for Janitorial Service for all City Buildings

Request for Proposal for Solid Waste Services

Request for Proposal for IT Services (with Oswego)

Request for Proposal for 206 Heustis Street – Misc Maintenance

Request for Qualifications for Building Maintenance Survey

Bid for Interior Painting of City Hall

Bid for Interior Flooring of City Hall



By the Numbers

Clerks License Issued	2016
Liquor	69
Video Gaming	11
Amusement Devices	9
Pawnbroker	1
Tobacco	3
Solicitor	16
Mobile Food Vendor	3
Raffle	1

Website and Social Media	2016
Facebook Page Likes	3,027
Twitter Followers	1,224
Website Visits	170,314



Staff Changes and Milestones



Erin Willrett started with the department as the Interim Assistant Administrator on August 29th coming to us from the Village of Elburn.



Administrative Secretary Bonnie Olsem and City Administrator Bart Olson have been with the City for 10 years. Thank you for your service!



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On October 14, 2016, City elected officials and staff were able to join the Pulte Group, the developer of the Autumn Creek subdivision, on their surprise to Sergeant Brodick Richmond that his application was chosen for their Built to Honor program. This program honors military veterans for their sacrifices by giving selected applicants a newly constructed mortgage free home. The City partnered with Pulte in this initiative by waiving permit fees and expediting the permit approval process. As said by Mayor Golinski, it "is the least we can do to show our gratefulness. Although a house cannot fix the mental and physical wounds associated with combat, it is our hope that this home would provide an opportunity for revival, a renewed sense of hope, and stability."

Updated Comprehensive Plan

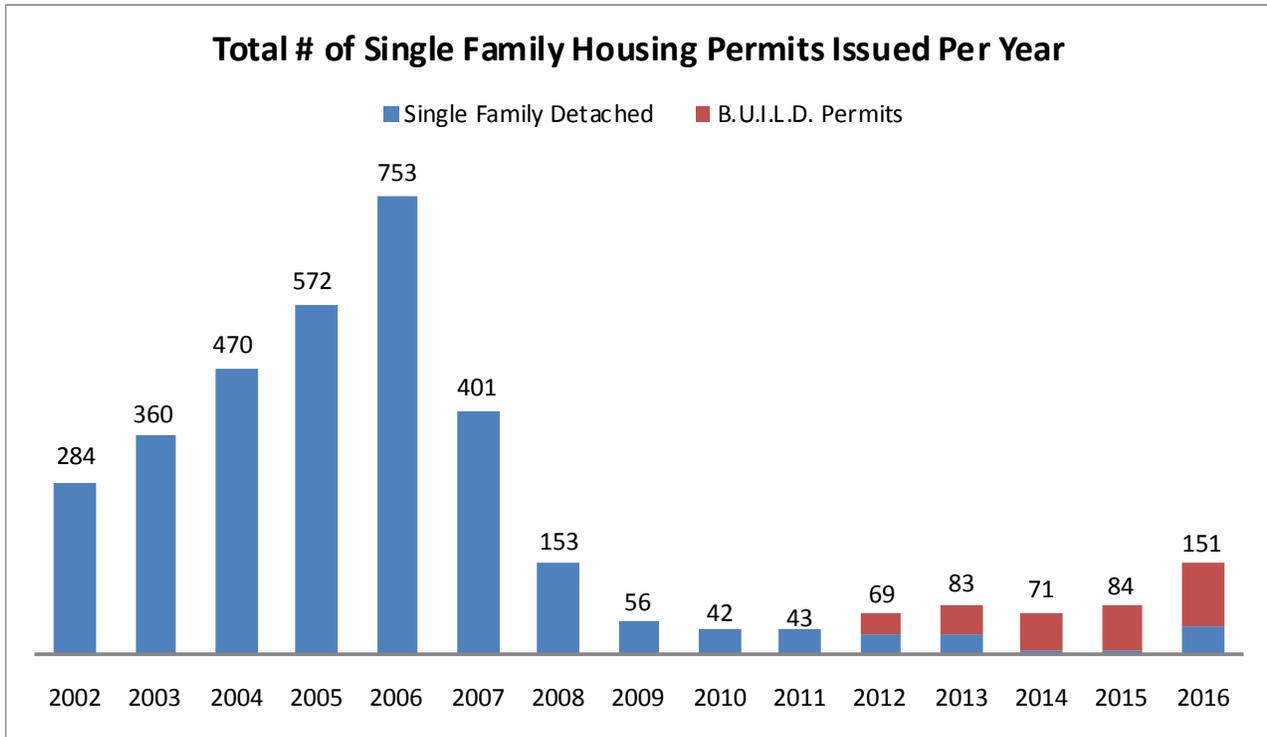
The new comprehensive plan was adopted in September 2016. It was prepared by the Lakota Group and was a collaborative effort by consultant, staff, council and residents that took over 2 years to complete. The plan provides ample information and guidance to the City with current conditions, future planning efforts and detailed implementation strategies for the next five to ten years. The comprehensive plan update addressed major key issues including revitalizing downtown Yorkville, guiding future growth, diversity in the housing mix, promoting alternative subdivision designs, undertaking community placemaking, managing corridor land use, enhancing parks and open space, building transportation networks, planning for a future Metra Station and maintaining community infrastructure.

At a Glance

- 152 new housing starts in 2016, an 81% increase over 2015 and the highest total since 2007
- New Businesses
 - a. Wrigley Skittles Factory
 - b. Aurora Textiles opening
 - c. O'Reilly Auto Parts
 - d. Sherwin Williams
 - e. Southbank BBQ
 - f. Dunkin Donuts (south)
 - g. Crusade Burger Bar
 - h. The Law Office
 - i. Virtues in Motion Dance
 - j. Armonia Café
 - k. Grace Holistic Center
 - l. TC Liquors
 - m. Cancun Café and Mexican Grill
 - n. Valley Fresh Market
 - o. Heaven Consulting
 - p. Triple 7 Motorsports
 - q. Pulaski Bank
 - r. Bootcamp
 - s. M. Maye Attorney
 - t. Langston Pediatric Therapy
 - u. Health Plus LLC
 - v. Midwest Sleep Disorders
 - w. Premier Ventures, Inc.
 - x. Car Connection
 - y. United Faith in Christ
 - z. Harmony Aesthetics
 - aa. Diamond Skills Academy
 - bb. Cricket Wireless
 - cc. KLA Productions
 - dd. Bailey Accountin
 - ee. Yorkville Best Service Station
 - ff. The Nysen Group
 - gg. Cabinet Styles
 - hh. Bridge St Automotive



By the Numbers



The B.U.I.L.D program has been in place since 2012.

The table to the right is a breakdown of Single Family Detached and B.U.I.L.D. permits.

Year	Single Family Detached	B.U.I.L.D.	Total
2012	32	37	69
2013	34	49	83
2014	8	63	71
2015	8	76	84
2016	46	105	151



Staff Changes and Milestones



Jason Engberg started with the department as the Senior Planner on August 1st coming to us from Teska and Associates. Jason previously served as an Intern here at the City in the Community Development Department.



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At a Glance

Bond Rating Upgrades



The City's bond rating was upgraded twice, by two different bond rating agencies. Fitch Ratings upgraded us from A+ to AA- in August, and S&P upgraded us from AA- to AA in September.

- The fund balance percentage at end of FY 16 was 42% with just over \$5.7m. For FY 17, we are projecting that it will be at 39% and over \$5.7m.
- FY 16 Audit performance – General Fund budgeted at ~\$10,000 surplus, came in at ~\$865,000 surplus, for an improvement of ~\$855,000.
- Awarded Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association (5th year in a row)
- Enhanced payroll processing with the implementation of electronic direct deposit remittances

Bond Information

Issued \$5.8M in bonds for the purposes of refunding the 2006A Debt Certificates & 2007A Bonds— resulting in total nominal savings of approximately \$564,000.

Issued \$28.84M in SSA bonds in order to refund the Autumn Creek & Bristol Bay SSA Bonds – resulting in total nominal savings in excess of \$5.8M. Average nominal yearly savings to homeowners in these SSA's is projected as follows: Autumn Creek - \$225 for Single Family Homes and \$190 for Townhomes; Bristol Bay - \$240 for Single Family Homes, \$195 for Townhomes and \$165 for Condominiums.

Property Tax Levy

The City is not collecting any non-abated property taxes for the first time since tax year 2010. The City Council approved **NO INCREASE** in property taxes in FY 18 (paid in Summer 2017). See the Actual column in the graph to the right.

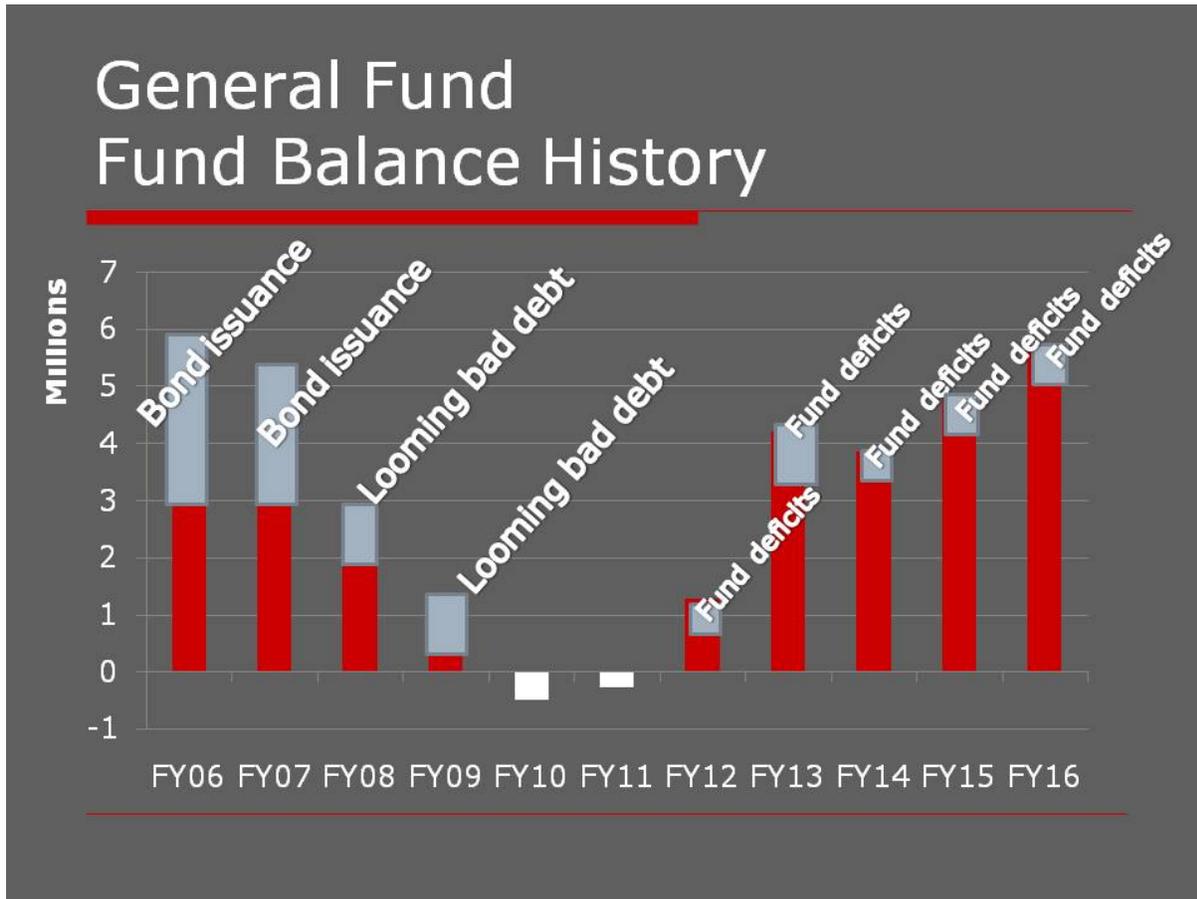
The City's police pension property tax obligations will increase 17% or \$140,798 from last year, which will result in a net loss in revenues available to the general fund.

The City property tax makes up only 6.3% of your total tax bill.

Communicated		Actual
2% reduction	FY 15	3% reduction
1% reduction	FY 16 (prior FY)	1.66% reduction
1% reduction	FY 17 (current FY)	1.68% reduction
1% reduction	FY 18 (under discussion)	0%



By the Numbers



Staff Changes and Milestones



Utility Billing Clerk Judy Dyon has been with the department for 15 years. Thank you for your service!



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The Yorkville Parks and Recreation Department partnered with Push for the Path for the PepperUNI 5K to help raise funds for the multi-use path along Kennedy Road. Over 220 people participated within the race and over \$15,000 in sponsorships were raised. Also, right after the race, the new path ground breaking ceremony was held in honor of Darlene McCue.

At a Glance

- 19 city wide special events were hosted including Hometown Days, Cruise nights, Fall Fest, and the Yorkville Holiday Celebration.
- Participation continues to increase across most of the leagues, classes, and preschool.
- Over 40% of catalog costs were covered through advertisement revenue
- Riverfront Playground equipment was purchased.

Park Improvements

As a part of a grant received, staff constructed a circle style basketball court at Grande Reserve Park A

At Fox Hill East, staff removed the asphalt basketball court and added additional stone base to strengthen the court. Staff utilized the parks asphalt paver and installed a new basketball court and patched the trail. Staff regraded the area to alleviate drainage problems and landscaped.

New Catalog Program



This year the FlippingBook program was added to the Parks and Recreation portion of the website and to the online registration website. In place of a downloadable large PDF document, this program allows for someone to look at the catalog in a professional ready flip book form. This makes it easier for residents to read and access the catalog online.



By the Numbers

Parks and Recreation Programs	2016
Parker's Playtime Preschool and Ready, Set, Go Enrollment	91
Total Youth Athletic League Participation	1,250
% of programs at minimum registration capacity	75%
Total Number of Special Events	19
Number of Adults in Sports Leagues	482
Total Program Participation	3,511
Number of Volunteer Hours	23,686



Staff Changes and Milestones



Parks Maintenance Worker II Bill Scott has been with the department for 10 years. Thank you for your service!

The Parks Department welcomed two new full-time maintenance staff members:

Doug Smith (left) started with the department on July 18th coming to us from Warrenville Park District.

Glenn Kleefisch (right), who has been with the City since June 2015 moved from part-time to full-time on August 22nd.

After 12 years with the City of Yorkville, Parks Maintenance Worker II Jamie Jackson retired. Thank you for your service!



Highlighted Accomplishments



At a Glance

Deputy Chief Terry Klingel (pictured right) graduated from the FBI National Academy. This is a 10 week (400 hours) training specializing in executive management theory and practices. Less than 1% of law enforcement officers in the United States are accepted or are able to attend this course.



- Five new police vehicles were purchased.
- Officers participated in multiple Special Olympics events including the Polar Plunge as well as Cop on a Rooftop.
- Numerous tours of the Police Department were held for scouts and school groups
- Three officers received life saving awards.



Sergeant John Hunter (pictured left) graduated from The Illinois Training and Standards Board Executive Institute. This 3 week course gives mid-level supervisors their first training in executive management theory.

Criminal Intelligence Team

Explorers Program

The Yorkville Police department partnered with the Kendall County Sherriff's Office to form the first Kendall-Yorkville Police Explorers Program. This program offers young adults (ages 15-20) a personal awareness of the criminal justice system through training, practical experiences, competition, and other activities. Currently, there are 12 participants.



The Criminal Intelligence Team (CIT) was created with the State police, Sheriff's Office, and the Oswego Police Department. This multi-jurisdictional team works under the authority of the Illinois State Police. Their primary duties are to support participating agencies with assistance in investigating serious crimes. They also specialize in targeted patrol in DUI, Drug, Gangs, and Guns enforcement.



By the Numbers

Police Department Operations	2016
Training Hours	2,564.50
Number of Sworn Officers	30 full-time 5 part-time
Number of Calls for Service	12,854
Total Arrests	471
DUI Arrests	49
Patrol Miles Driven	268,229



Staff Changes and Milestones



Officer Dennis Meyer joined the Yorkville Police Department as a Patrol Officer in April 2016.



Records Clerk Kirsten Balog and Officer Roman Soebbing have been with the department for 5 years.
Thank you for your service!



Sergeant Behr Pfizenmaier (left) was promoted from Patrol Officer to Sergeant for the Criminal Intelligence Team.



Officers Ryan Goldsmith (left) and Tim Kolowski (right) have been with the department for 10 years
Thank you for your service!



Sergeant John Hunter (left) was promoted from Detective to Patrol Sergeant after the retirement of Sergeant Jim Presnek (right) who was with the department full-time for 13 years.



Officer Dan Pleckham (right) has been with the department for 20 years.
Thank you for your service!





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New decorative streetlights were installed in December along Route 47 from Somonauk Street to Route 126. The City was awarded a grant from the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) for this project.



Street Name Sign Sale



Changes in federal street name sign regulations left the City with a number of obsolete signs. In order to get rid of them the City decided to conduct a sale. 508 signs were sold at \$10 each making over \$5,000 that will be used for machinery and equipment. In the future as signs need to be replaced we will be continuing the sale.

Construction Projects

Road to Better Roads

Since 2013, the City has conducted the Road to Better Roads program in order to improve the overall quality of Yorkville's road infrastructure. This year resurfacing was completed on the following roads: John St., Independence St. and Ct., Hillcrest St., Sunset Ave., West St., Church St., Freemont St., Bruell St., E. Main St., Oakwood St., Behrens, Faxon Rd., and Mill St.

At a Glance

- Approximately 70 trees were purchased to plant throughout the city on parkways, parks, and other city properties.
- One new large dump truck, two small dump trucks, and one pickup truck were purchased
- The City signed an intergovernmental agreement with Oswego for sharing public works equipment and staff.

Countryside Water Main and Road Improvements

This year the City began major construction on the infrastructure in the Countryside subdivision. Over 15,000 feet of 8 and 12 inch water main were replaced this year. Resurfacing was also started on several roads within the subdivision. Crews installed up to the binder course pavement, which is the layer immediately below the surface. The project will be wrapping up in 2017 with the installation of the surface course.



By the Numbers

Public Works Operations	2016
Lane Miles of Streets Swept	300
Miles of Right of Way Mowed	60
Gallons of Water Treated	536,358,000
Cubic Yards of Leaves Collected through Public Works Collection	6,700
Lane Miles of Street resurfaced	12
Feet of Sewer Lines Relined/Replaced	4,313
Feet of Cleaned Sewer Mains	53,400
Number of Cleaned Storm Sewers, Inlets and Catch Basins	194



Staff Changes and Milestones



Streets Operator Durk Henne has been with the department for 10 years. Thank you for your service!



Sewer Foreman Dave Behrens has been with the department for 15 years. Thank you for your service!