

## CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT

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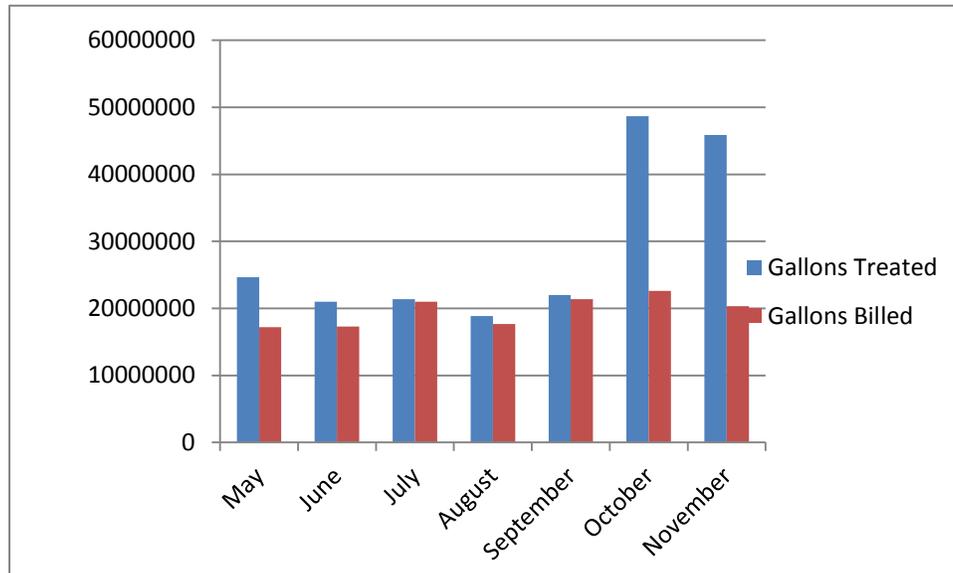


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### WEEKLY UPDATE:

- **New Year's Holiday:** City administrative offices will be closed on Friday, January 1, 2016, in observance of New Year's Day. Non-administrative emergency services personnel will work regular shifts, and public works personnel will be on call if needed.
- **Sanitation Schedule Changes:** Teams of personnel worked this week to continue to spread the message to citizens about the upcoming changes to the sanitation pick up schedules. Door hangers were distributed by field service technicians, and stickers were placed on garbage cans, when possible, by sanitation personnel, however, workers had difficulty making the reminder stickers adhere to the cans in the rain. Public Works personnel are prepared to make special pick-ups next week and work with citizens who may need additional assistance.
- **National Citizen Survey:** The National Citizen Survey closes on January 6<sup>th</sup>, with data available in mid-January. The *Clinton Chronicle* ran an editorial this week encouraging those selected to participate to return a completed survey.
- **Upcoming City Council Meeting:** City Council will meet at 6 PM on Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup>. Items on the agenda include Christmas Parade awards, Spirit of Christmas Light Contest winners, setting of the annual meeting calendar, and an ordinance regarding the proposed de-annexation of 16 acres inside the I-26 Commerce Park for economic development purposes.
- **Heavy Rains and Sewer Impacts:** The graph below shows the impact the rains have had on our sewer treatment efforts. Gallons treated shows the number of gallons of city sewer sent to treatment, and the gallons billed show the number of gallons used by our citizens. The difference is infiltration of rainwater into our sewer system. Each thousand gallons of

rainwater costs the city an additional \$3.53 beyond what is billed to the customer. The sewer treatment adjustment charge is designed to recoup those losses in a fair and equitable manner. You can see how heavy rains in October and November contributed to a shortfall in the sewer treatment budget of nearly \$200,000. Although with a significant shortfall, it was lower than expected.



- Woodland Acres Water Service:** Public Works teams worked through the heavy storms on Wednesday to install a tie-in line to improve water service for customers in Woodland Acres. Although the weather conditions were not ideal for completing this work, our crews persevered and completed the work on time as promised to our customers earlier in the week.



- Sewer Rate Adjustment:** In July, the City reduced the sewer treatment rate for all customers and added a surcharge to that rate to recoup the costs associated with the treatment of I&I water that infiltrates the sewer system. The rate is designed to automatically adjust in July and January of each year to ensure that the city collects precisely enough to cover the cost of treating sewer. Since the six month shortfall was a little lower than expected, the surcharge will decrease by approximately 4% in January. The charge will be evaluated and adjusted again in June as needed.