

February 3, 2015 City Manager Update

1. Budget preparation - The city staff has begun budget preparation for the FY 2015-16 budget. Department heads have set goals for next year that are aligned with Council's Strategic Plan. We're reviewing the City's revenue streams, including insurance premiums, franchise fees and real property receipts.
2. The city is getting financial data converted in the new OS 1 software to allow us to produce financial statements in preparation for the upcoming budget work this spring.
3. Friday, January 23rd, the city had over 1 inch of rainfall. There was limited flooding near the hospital, but there was no serious standing water in the right-of-way.
4. We are working on sign improvements for the City' entrances.
5. Airport-- the city has received a grant to erect a fence and purchase an existing hangar. The grant requires matching funds from the airport authority.
6. We are investigating several dilapidated houses and we will pursue demolition from the owners.
7. We recently sent out letters to restaurants/food service providers concerning grease trap regulations. A number of food establishments need to comply.
8. The city is preparing to apply for a State GEFA water and sewer loan.
9. Ga. DOT is expected to fund the resurfacing of Railroad Avenue, Beech Street and MLK, Jr. Blvd. in early 2016.