



May 20, 2016

Mayor Donald D. Lyons
City Council Members

Dear Mayor Lyons and City Council Members:

Next meeting: Council Meeting, 7:00 pm

The following report has been prepared to provide you with an update on current issues or projects in progress:

Spring Clean-up Results

The city's spring clean-up program has consistently been one of the most heavily used programs in the city and this year's spring clean-up was the largest citywide cleanup to date. We measure our contract by total hours worked and total tonnage received and the 72 labor hours and the 96.24 tons (192,480 pounds) collected are both the highest totals during the last 8 years. The following chart shows how the program has been used since 2009.



Hydrant Flushing and Flow Testing

City water mains will be flushed beginning the week of May 23, and will be ongoing intermittently throughout the months of May, June, and July or until all the hydrants have been flushed.

Public Services and Public Safety personnel will be flushing the hydrants and will be performing this function during daytime and evening hours.

It will take several flushings to clear the water mains of accumulated iron deposits, and this may cause discoloration of City water in many areas.

If the flushing discolors the water in your home, it is suggested that you drain your hot water tank to remove any rust particles that may have accumulated and flush your water pipes by letting the water run for 5-10 minutes. It is also recommended that you check and clean your faucet aerators to remove any particles.

If you have any questions regarding water main flushing or the schedule, please contact the Department of Public Services Office at DPS_Service_Request@dowagiac.org or 782-8200.

James E. Snow Professional Building

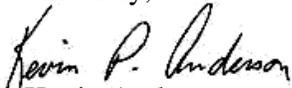
Construction is complete on the final tenant's suite in the Snow Building. The Van Buren / Cass District Environmental Services offices are looking forward to moving into their expanded space June 1.

Memorial Day

City offices will be closed on Monday, May 30 for the Memorial Day Holiday.

The traditional Memorial Day Ceremony and Parade will begin at City Hall Park at 10:30 AM. The route will follow Front and Division Streets to Riverside Drive, ending at Riverside Cemetery.

Sincerely,



Kevin Anderson
City Manager