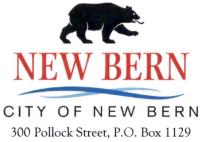
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## **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Governing Board

From:

Mark A. Stephens, PE, City Manager 46646

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CITY PROJECTS UPDATE

Date:

October 8, 2016

The following is an update on City projects currently in progress with the various departments of the City that may be of interest to the Board. Updates from last report in blue. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional details.

Palace Point Commons	o Complete. PIO working on a ribbon-cutting type ceremony			
Lawson's Creek Park – Entrance Improvements	<ul> <li>Contractor has surveyed and begun to stake out site. Work will continue after hurricane clean-up is complete</li> <li>Staff has provided contractor an updated list of Lawson Creek Park events and contractor will make every effort to deconflict</li> <li>Estimated completion time: 90 days</li> </ul>			
Thalmann Field	Existing turf removed and field prepped for initial grading			
Piers and Docks Lighting	<ul> <li>Contractor selected to make material purchases and installation for Lawson Creek Park launch #1 and #2.</li> <li>Electric Utilities will install flood lights at the front of each launch zone</li> </ul>			
3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue Extension to Stanley White Recreation Center	<ul> <li>Curb and gutter, along with drainage improvements, are complete</li> <li>Work will continue after hurricane</li> <li>Project will be complete by December 1st at the latest (contractor has 120 days (plus weather days) to complete)</li> </ul>			
Riverwalk Extension	<ul> <li>Bulkhead remediation is complete</li> <li>Will complete sidewalk after hurricane through mid-November, pending Mumfest reschedule date to ensure deconfliction</li> </ul>			
Dunn Building (no change since last report)	<ul> <li>Building in progress.</li> <li>Should be complete by Friday, 10/14, weather permitting</li> </ul>			

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PD Automated Fingerprint and	Received equipment 5/24/16. Units have been deployed in the field;			
Palmprint Identification (no change since last report)	PD collecting data to evaluate performance			
School of Government DFI	<ul> <li>In process of coordinating meetings between city staff, Aldermen, county staff, and County Commissioners to discuss partnerships</li> <li>Met with Stubbs property to confirm their continued interest in pursuing partial purchase of their site to assist with expanded parking deck concept</li> <li>Continued discussion on possible 3<sup>rd</sup> location for DFI work</li> </ul>			
Fire Department Strategic Planning	<ul> <li>Held Peer Assessment meeting August 5, 2016</li> <li>Report from State Fire Marshal's office received</li> <li>Will meet with Peer Assessment team members (Mayor and Alderman Odham) ahead of Fire Marshal presentation to Board of Aldermen in November</li> <li>Strategic plan to follow</li> </ul>			
Gaston House Move	o Complete			
AMI Prepay Program Pilot	<ul> <li>Prepay testing continues as we head towards production. Good stage one testing with data from both CIS and metering software successfully entered into Exceleron.</li> <li>Still on track for January completion</li> </ul>			
MSD Streetscape Project	<ul> <li>Bids received</li> <li>Contract approval is on 10/11/16 BOA agenda, with work to start thereafter. If Mumfest is rescheduled for this fall, will need to wait until after completion for project start.</li> </ul>			
Other	<ul> <li>a. Middle and Broad Street Improvements – Complete</li> <li>b. Paving Projects: - FY2017 plan coordinated with water/sewer improvements and final cost estimate and bid documents being prepared</li> <li>c. First Street Improvements – The City received the ~\$540,000 grant from the Golden LEAF Foundation. Still waiting to hear from EDA grant</li> <li>d. Water Resources Operations Building – Further discussion will occur at the October Financial Summit with the Board</li> </ul>			

## **AMI Statistics**

Customers	<b>Type</b>	<b>Utility</b>	Converted to AMI	% Complete	<b>Last Report</b>
19,511	Residential	Electric	8,277	42.4%	7,808
3,541	Commercial	Electric	500	16.7%	500
7	Large Industrial	Electric	0	0%	0
15,484	Res/Commercia	l Water	3,868	25%	3,792

<sup>11,730</sup> load management customers with 24,925 installed switches 1,316 AMI customers with 2,145 switches at 11.2% completion

<sup>29</sup> infrastructure installed gateways