

# DIRECTOR'S REPORT February 15, 2017

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### **Director's Update**

## Water & Sewerage Department

#### **Recent Actions and Events:**

- The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) hosted a One Water Listening Session on January 31, 2017, sponsored and organized by the U.S. Water Alliance to create a nationwide strategic plan for water infrastructure.
  - Participants included DWSD staff and contractors, government officials, community advocates, national experts, and foundation staff.
- The Drainage Charge and Credit Program will phase-in impervious acreage rate for the industrial customers this month, to reflect on their March bill.
- The lead and drinking water team, consisting of subject matter expert, Elin Betanzo, and staff from Public Affairs and Field Services, is publishing a new "Lead and Drinking Water" informational brochure to educate residents.
- DWSD is in collaboration with The Nature Conservancy and the Erb Family Foundation to develop and launch a public online map of green infrastructure projects throughout the city, whether City-sponsored or privately funded.

#### **Upcoming Actions and Events (February - March):**

- The availability for DWSD customers to conveniently pay at more than 30 kiosks is expected to launch in March, pending internal testing.
- The Drainage Charge and Credit Program will mail notification letters to owners of approximately 21,000 commercial parcels regarding their transition to the impervious acreage rate taking place in April.
- Customer notifications for water and sewer repairs using newly designed door hangers is targeted to be implemented.
- Customer Service and the Information Technology staff, and a TechTownbased startup, are continuing work on a mobile customer portal.

## Customers Current on Bill 111.143 12.5%

**Active in Payment Plans** 

19,868 5.7%

Customers Shut-Off Eligible 18.515 17.1%

#### **Collection Rate**

Dec 31 - 91.24%

1.3%

#### **WRAP**

2,115 Appt Backlog

4.5%

#### **Fire Hydrant Repairs**

2,034 Repaired

478 Backlogged

41.9%

#### **Reports of Running Water**

346 Reported

100% Cases Closed

0.0% 📛

#### **Water Main Breaks**

180 Reported

95% Cases Closed

4.0%

#### **Catch Basin Repairs**

237 Reported

42.2% Cases Closed 15.6%

Information Technology

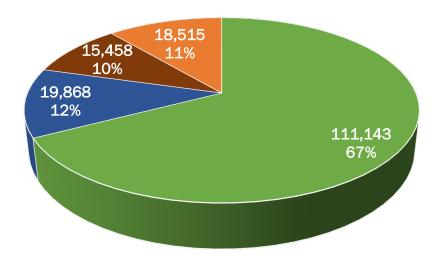
99.7% App Availability 0.2%



## **Customer Care**

#### **Customer Care: Account Status\***



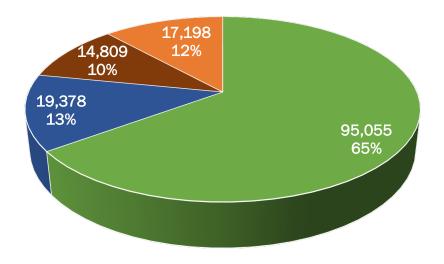


- Current
- Active in Payment Plan
- Over 60 Days & Less Than \$150 Past Due
- Shut-Off Eligible

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#### **Customer Care: Residential Account Status\***



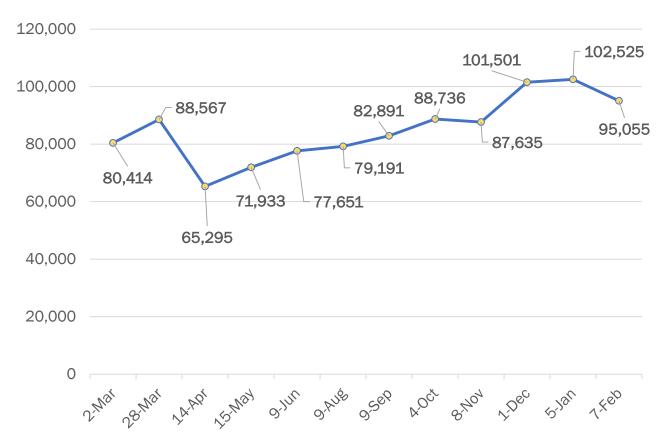


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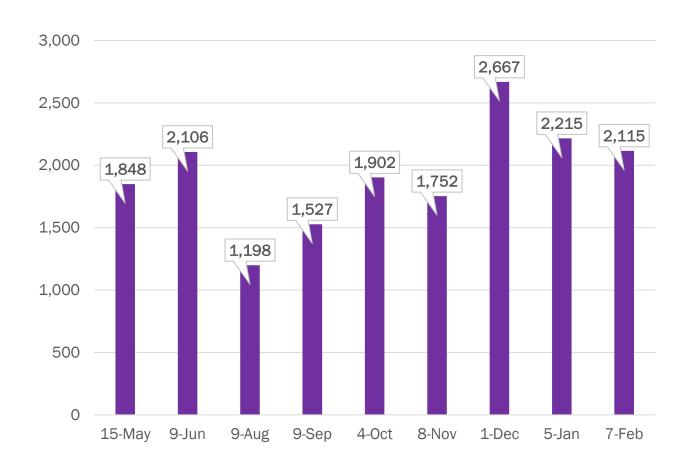




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## Customer Care: Appointments for Water Residential Assistance Program (WRAP)





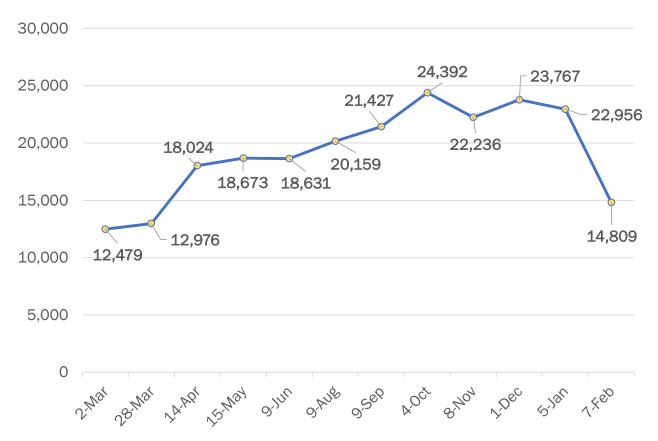
### **Customer Care: Residential Payment Plans**





#### **Customer Care: Residential On the Bubble\***

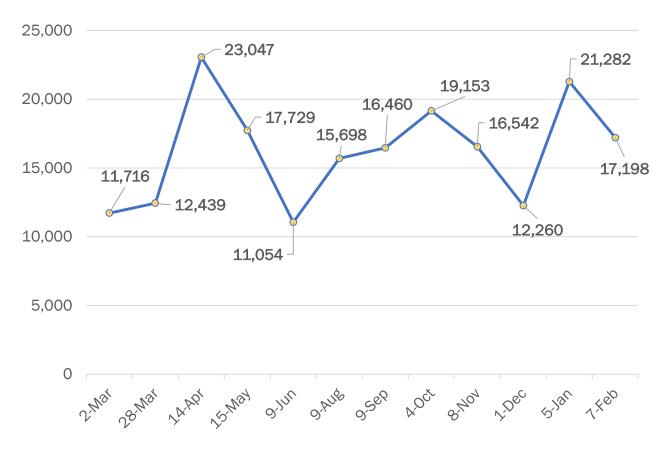




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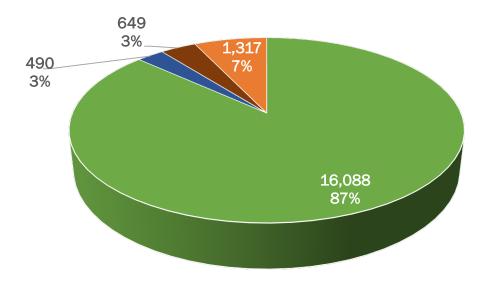
### **Customer Care: Residential Shut-Off Eligible**





#### **Customer Care: Commercial Account Status\***



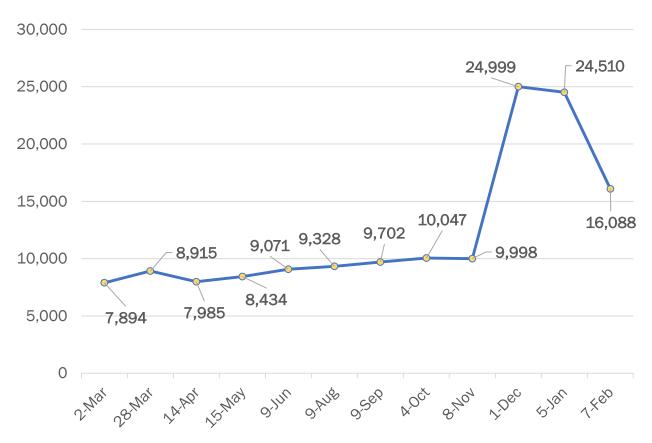


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#### **Customer Care: Commercial Current on Bill\***

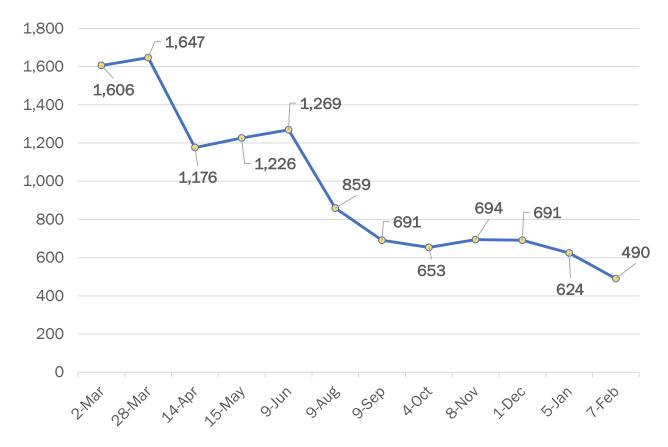




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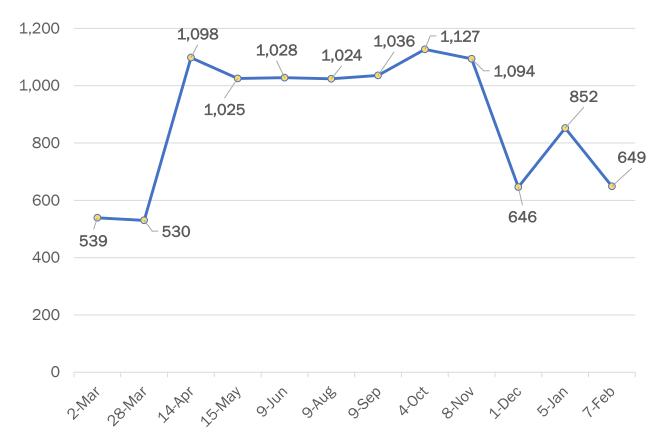
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#### **Customer Care: Commercial On the Bubble\***

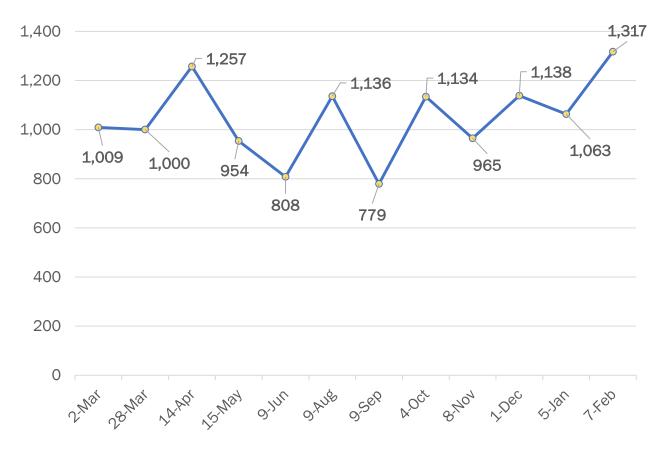




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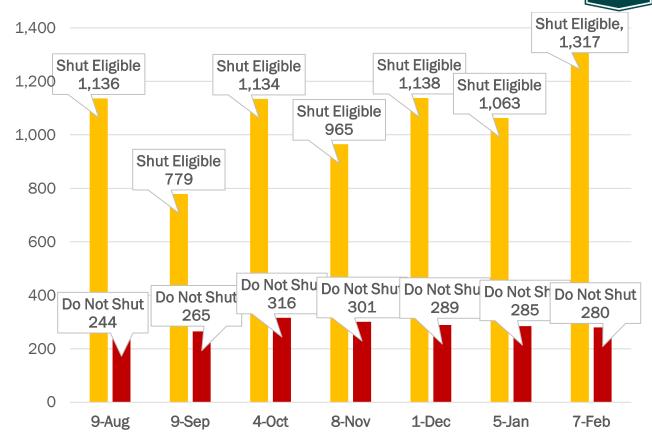
### **Customer Care: Commercial Shut-Off Eligible**





#### **Customer Care: Commercial Shut-Off Status\***

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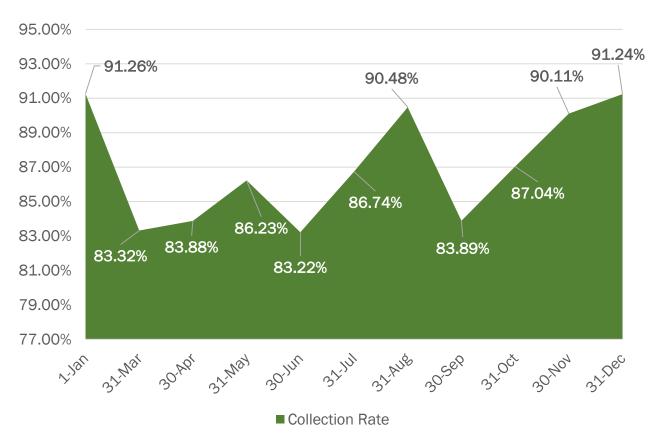
<sup>\*</sup>Customers in the "do not shut" category include nursing homes and apartment buildings.



## Finance

#### **Finance: Collection Rate\***

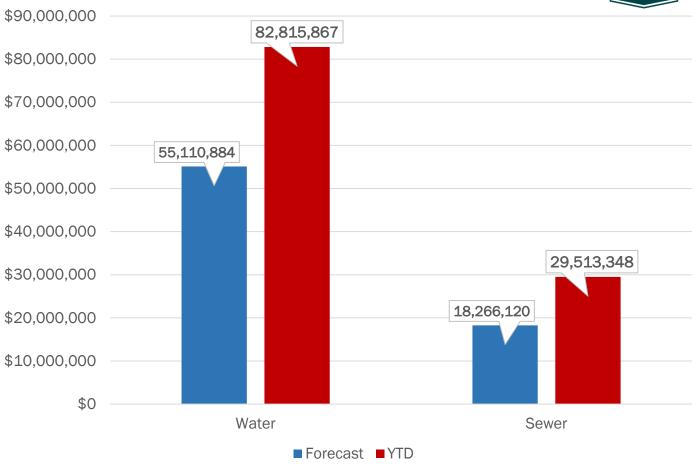




\*The long-term collection rate below the 90% target is temporary as it dips in non-shutoff months and the months immediately following.

#### **Finance: Cash Flow Status\***

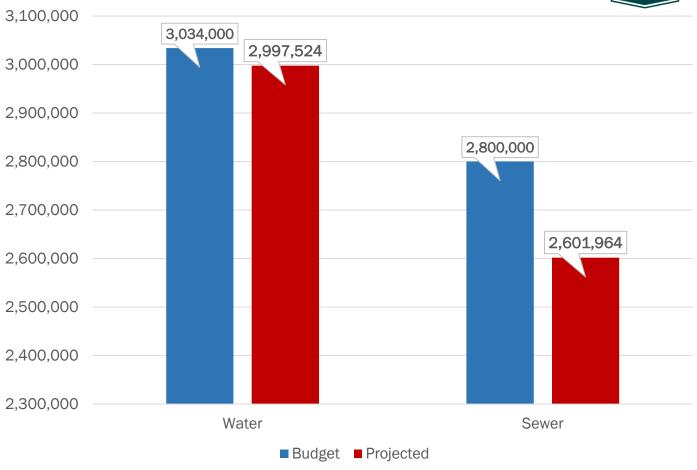




<sup>\*</sup>Cash flow statement is pro forma. DWSD still lacks certain data to perform full reconciliation. Unreconciled balance as of September 30, 2016 approximates \$67,000. Unreconciled bank to ledger balance approximates \$400,000 due to City of Detroit failure to book certain cash payments from DWSD.

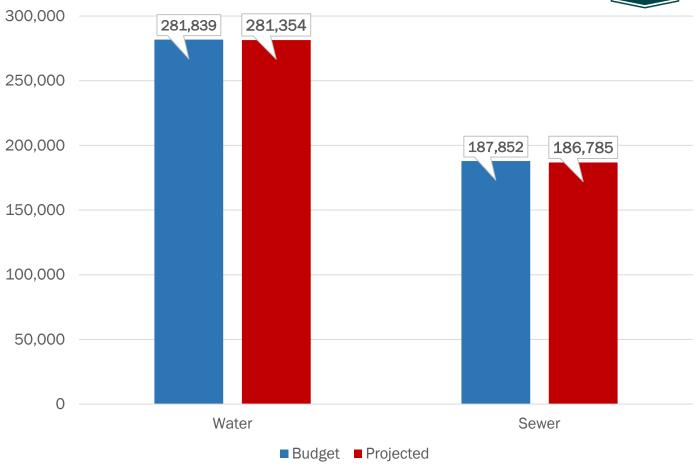
### **Finance: Commodity Volumes**





### **Finance: Equivalent Accounts**





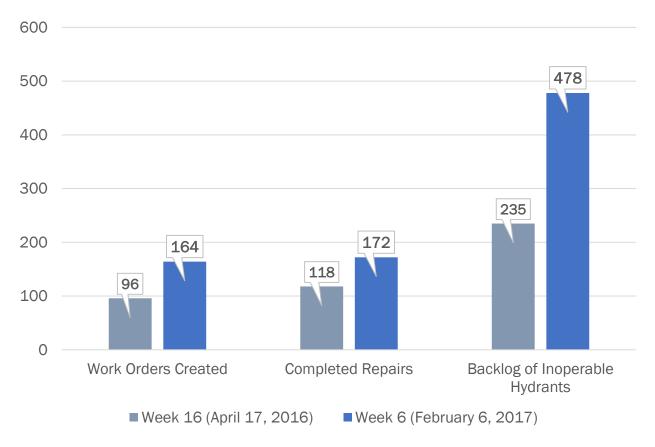


## Field Services

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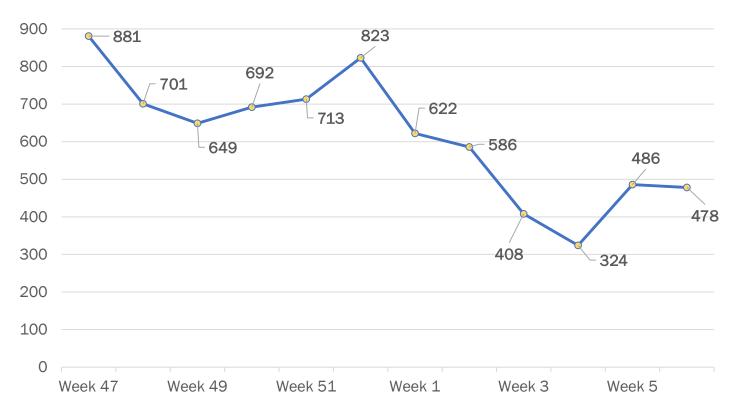
### **Field Services: Fire Hydrant Repairs**





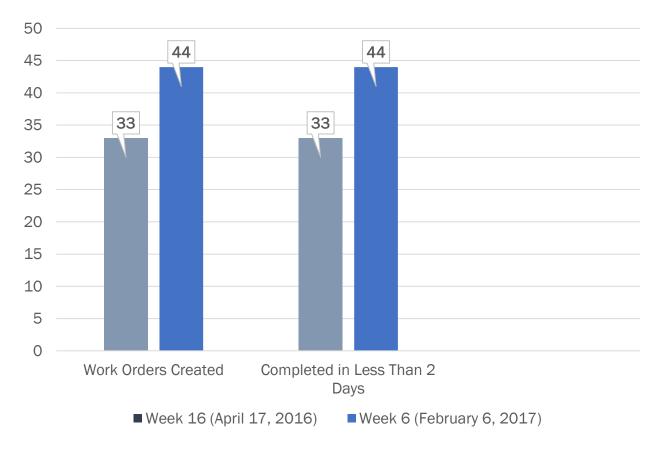
## Field Services: Backlog of Inoperable Fire Hydrants





#### Field Services: Reports of Running Water

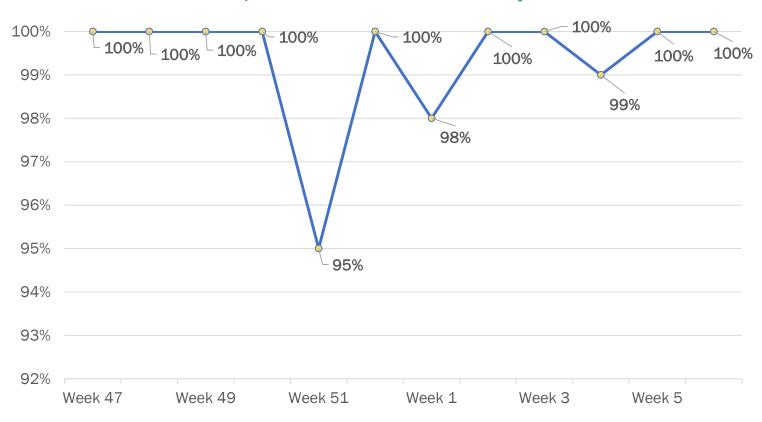




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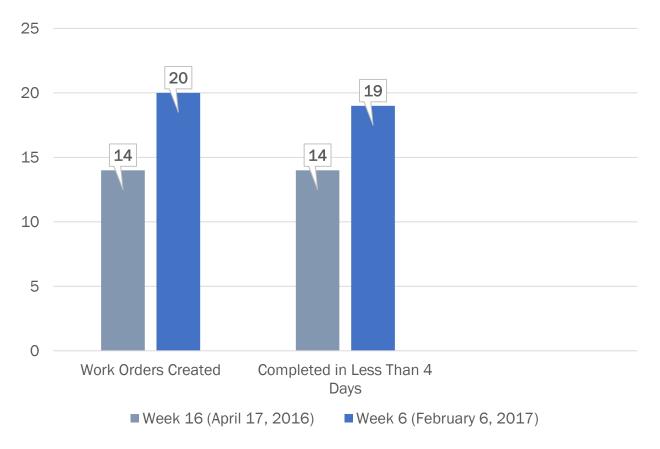


#### Completion Rate within TWO Days



## **Field Services: Water Main Repairs**

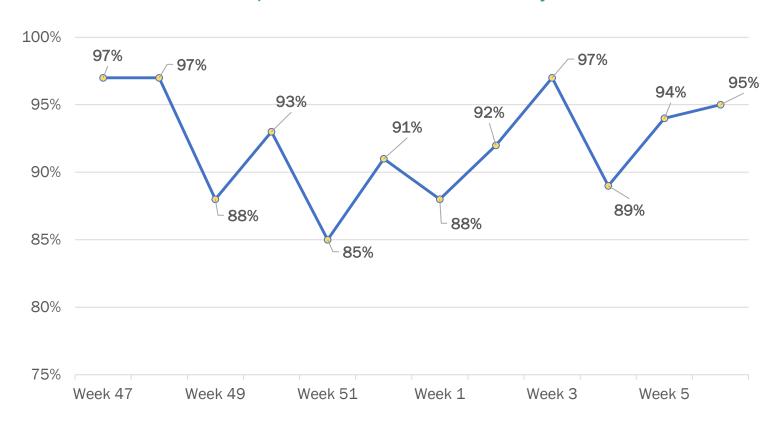




### **Field Services: Water Main Repairs**

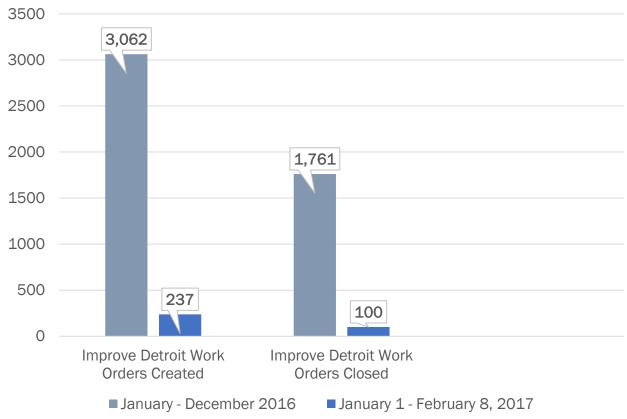


#### Completion Rate within FOUR Days



#### **Field Services: Catch Basins**



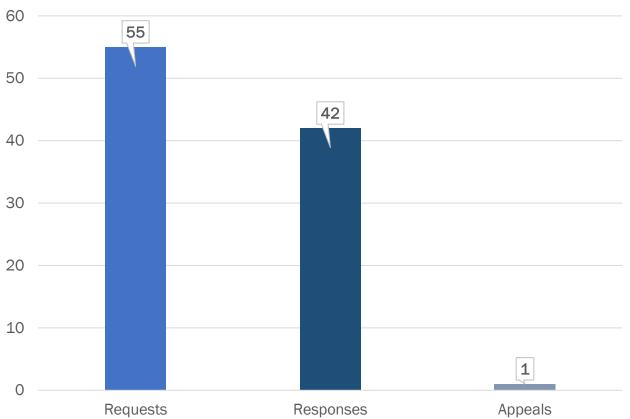




## Legal Services

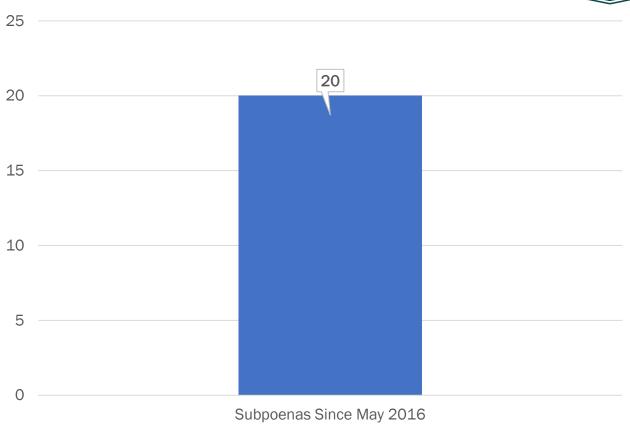
## **Legal: FOIA Requests**





### **Legal: Subpoenas**



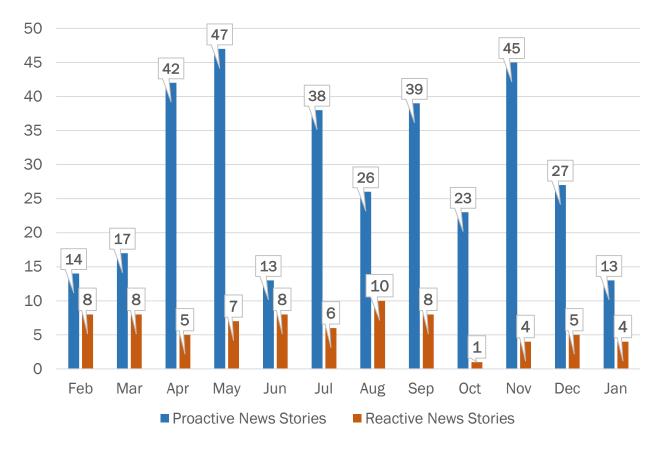




## **Public Affairs**

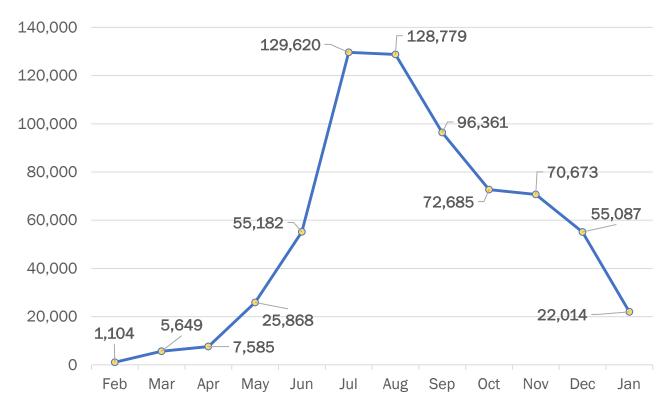
#### **Public Affairs: News Media Placements**





#### **Public Affairs: Social Media Reach\***

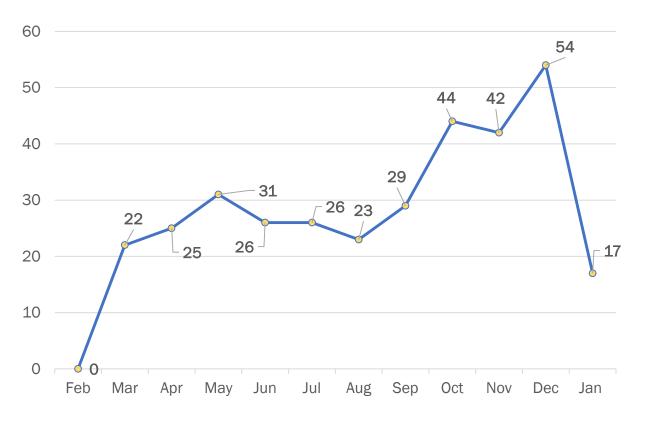




<sup>\*</sup>The significant increase in July and August 2016 is mostly a result of targeted paid advertising on Facebook and Instagram by DWSD.

#### **Public Affairs: Community Engagement Activities**







## **Information Technology**

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# Information Technology: Software Application Availability for Customer Care, Field Services and Finance



#### **Customer Service Application Availability Last 90-Days**

