

Enterprise Funds

Tampa's Enterprise Funds are easily compared to a business - they operate on the revenue they receive from users. Our commitment to progress means assessing the demands on our enterprise departments to ensure we are continuing to provide the quality services our customers have come to expect. Tampa has four enterprise funds that provide basic services: solid waste, parking, wastewater and water.

Solid Waste

In order to improve service to our solid waste customers, the department will build a neighborhood drop-off center this year adjacent to the McKay

Bay facility. This center will accept items such as bulky trash, yard waste, and appliances that are not accepted with regular, residential collection.

Wastewater Department

The Wastewater Department will continue to replace its aging system including deteriorating force mains and manholes. Construction on the \$20 million 12th Street force main project is underway. The department will also replace two existing force mains under Bruce B. Downs Boulevard to improve service and provide for the continued growth in the New Tampa area.



Water Department

The Water Department is committed to delivering quality, potable water to its customers, while meeting increased demands. With an aging system, the department is focusing efforts on several key areas including system replacement and rehabilitation; distribution system improvements; protecting the lower Hillsborough River; improving and expanding the reclaimed water system; and constructing a major pipeline to improve water service and reliability in downtown and south Tampa.

Nearly \$150 million is budgeted in fiscal year 2009 to make improvements in these key areas. Almost 23 percent of the funding, over \$34 million, will go toward critical pipeline repairs and replacement - a fraction of the city's aging system.

The Water Department also embarked on a test of 100 valves in the downtown area. As a result of the success of the 100-valve test, they have initiated a three-year program to test all 35,000 valves in order to improve the maintenance of the distribution system. Additionally, nearly 43,000 meters that are beyond their useful life will be replaced.

Last year the City of Tampa and the Southwest Florida Water Management District entered into



an agreement that will ensure freshwater flows to the lower Hillsborough River. In order to meet the required flow, several projects have been identified and the city will invest \$20 million over the next five years.

As Tampa continues to grow, there is an increased demand on our city's water supply. To help meet the needs of our residents and future growth, the city will invest \$47 million toward the construction of a 15-mile pipeline from the water treatment plant to south Tampa. Design of the pipeline project began in 2008 and construction will begin in 2009.