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MAYOR

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Honorable Chairman and
Members of the City Council

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I hereby present for your consideration, the City of Tampa's Recommended Capital Improvement Budget for FY01 through FY06.

The Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Budget for FY01 totals \$144.8 million. Bond funded projects total \$103.4 million of the CIP budget, most of which is attributable to enterprise funds projects (Water, Sanitary Sewers, Solid Waste and Parking) supported primarily by user fees. While the enterprise debt service continues to be funded by user fees, for the third consecutive year we are not recommending any change in the rates of the Water, Sanitary Sewers or Solid Waste departments. The remainder of the FY01 CIP budget, totaling \$41.4 million, is supported by current tax revenues and enterprise department operating funds.

Bond projects programmed for FY01 include:

- **Water Bonds:** Construction started in FY2000 at the Hillsborough River Water Treatment Plant to expand the plant capacity by 20 million gallons per day to 100 million gallons per day. Along with process improvements, this \$45 million project is expected to be completed in the spring of 2002. Construction also started during FY2000 on the \$11 million Aquifer Storage Recovery (ASR) project. When completed in the spring of 2001, ASR will store up to one billion gallons of water in the wet season to be used later in the year during the dry season. Another conservation project, the South Tampa Reuse Program (STAR), will begin implementation when enough customers sign up to receive reclaimed water for lawn irrigation. The estimated cost is \$20 million with \$12 million available through grant funding. These projects will help reduce the need to purchase more expensive water from other utilities and to continue the low rates to our citizens.
- **Solid Waste Bonds:** Construction of the 32 month McKay Bay Refuse-to-Energy Retrofit project is about half completed. When completed, this \$88 million retrofit project will enable the plant to meet all federal guidelines for cleaner air emissions. This bond issue also includes \$2 million for a new administration building for Solid Waste that should open by October, 2001.
- **Utility Tax Improvement Bonds:** These bonds are earmarked to help alleviate parking shortages in downtown, Ybor City and the South Tampa Area. The Fort Brooke Garage expansion and the new Ybor City Garage were completed in FY2000. In FY01 the new Municipal Garage, adjacent to the new downtown Police Headquarters, will open and construction of the Palm Avenue Garage in Ybor City

will begin. FY2000 saw the beginning of an intensive three-year effort to improve our Parks and Recreation facilities for 16 special program facilities, community centers, and athletic and aquatic facilities. Convention Center and Marina improvements are also provided for in bonds issued in January, 2000.

- Local Option Gas Tax Bonds: For FY01 \$11.5 million is planned for transportation related projects including funding for the new streetcar, a new industrial yard and New Tampa road construction.

This document provides FY01 summaries by fund and department, followed by maps identifying major projects by fund type and a description of each project. This year we have included detailed street maps for most FY01 funded projects to help the users determine where the improvements will occur.

It also contains summaries of anticipated future projects and possible funding sources through FY06. The appendix shows both City and non-City funded Capital projects related to the City's Comprehensive Plan and includes a schedule of the last year of the first five-year Community Investment Tax program. This year an alphabetical index has been added to help the users locate specific projects.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dick A. Greco". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

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