

PROPOSED AGENDA
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION
JANUARY 6, 2010
5:30 P.M.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
CONFERENCE ROOM
1500 BEATTY STREET

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda
4. Approval of December 2, 2010 Minutes - Attachment A
5. New Business
 - A. Announcements (5 MINS)
 - B. Elections (15 MINS)
 - C. Discussion on Tree Preservation (15 MINS)
 - D. Environmental Awareness Award – Potential Recipients (20 MINS)

J. Holley
L. Kirby
K. Jackson
J. Holley
6. Old Business
 - A. City Council Presentation – Recap (10 MINS)
 - B. Town Creek Contamination Update (10 MINS)
 - Letter from Mayor to NCDENR (Attachment B)
 - C. Recycling Committee Update (5 MINS)
 - D. GCPP Update (5 MINS)
 - E. EECBG Update (5 MINS)

J. Holley
J. Holley

S. Anderson
H. Cox
W. Anderson
7. Other – FYI
 - A. Recycling Report - Attachment C
 - B. UST Report – Attachment D
8. Proposed Agenda Items (February 3, 2010 Meeting)

J. Holley

 - A. GUC Projects/Programs
 - B. Sustainability
 - C. Recycling Committee Update
 - D. Environmental Awareness Award – Update
 - E. GCPP Update
 - F. EECBG Update
9. Adjournment

ATTACHMENT A

(December 2, 2010 Minutes)

Action: For your review and approval.

**DRAFT OF MINUTES PROPOSED FOR ADOPTION BY THE
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMISSION
December 2, 2010**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Members of the Environmental Advisory Commission met on the above date at 5:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Public Works Facility. Mr. Wayne Caldwell, Chairperson, called the meeting to order and welcomed members and guests. The following attended the meeting:

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS:

Mr. Wayne Caldwell	Mr. Scott Anderson
Mr. Jay Holley	Mr. Hugh Cox
Mr. Tim Kelley	Mr. Owen Burney, Jr
Ms. Laura Williamson	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ms. Lisa Kirby, City of Greenville
Mr. Wes Anderson, City of Greenville
Ms. Amanda Braddy, City of Greenville
Mr. Carl Rees, City of Greenville

3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

4. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 4, 2010 MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Scott Anderson to accept the November 4, 2010 minutes and was seconded by Mr. Owen Burney. The motion passed unanimously.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Announcements

- Mr. Caldwell commented NCDENR was pushing against EPA on the new clean air regulations, specifically the ozone.
- Mr. Caldwell commented that he has resigned from the Sierra Club.
- Ms. Kirby reminded the group of the upcoming Environmental Awareness Awards. A list of contacts will be mailed to the EAC members to make contact and solicit nominations for the award. Mr. Caldwell also asked the members to consider possible nominations from themselves to bring back to the group.
- Mr. Holley reported that his neighborhood has organized a Neighborhood Association. Mr. Holley stated that he has spoken with the chairman of the association to discuss possible recycling incentives and ideas.

B. Community Development (Redevelopment Commission and Brownfield Sites)

Mr. Carl Rees with the City of Greenville’s Community Development Department gave a presentation on Redevelopment Commission projects and Brownfield Sites. A copy of the presentation will be made available upon request.

C. Stormwater Annual Report

Mrs. Kirby gave an update on the Stormwater Annual Report. She commented there were three notable topics in this report. The first topic was the challenge by participants of the stormwater program regarding the “qualified professional” definition. The “qualified professional” is the person required by the City to do the inspection of the Stormwater Facilities.

The second topic is the decrease in construction of stormwater facilities. Four stormwater facilities have been completed in 2010. The third topic was the Notice of Violations issued. Mr. Caldwell questioned if penalties were issued for non-compliance. Ms. Kirby reported that no penalty could be issued until 90 days after the owner of the facility is notified of deficiencies. At that point, a Notice of Violation is issued giving the owner an additional 30 days to make repairs before a civil penalty is issued.

Discussion ensued regarding the reporting of sewage being dumped on property and the lack of Notice of Violations being issued. Ms. Kirby stated a Notice of Violation cannot be issued when the dumping of the sewage did not reach a stormwater conveyance. Mr. Caldwell asked if there was a City ordinance on reporting these violations. Ms. Kirby commented Pitt County becomes involved when notified and any sewage spill is reported to the State. Mr. Holley volunteered to look into reporting procedures.

D. GTV – PSAs for January, February, and March

It was determined the following topics would be addressed for PSA’s

- January – Electronics Recycling – Wayne Caldwell
- February – Battery Disposal – Hugh Cox
- March – Native Plants – Laura Williamson

The quarterly topic for January – March will be on groundwater and will be handled by Jay Holley.

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. City Council Goals and Objectives

This topic was combined with the City Council Presentation topic.

B. City Council Presentation

Mr. Caldwell presented the group with a draft version of his presentation to City Council. It was determined that “consider recycle pickup throughout the City” on slide 10 be removed. Mr. Caldwell will also add a comment in the summary section as requested by Council Member Blackburn regarding solar panels.

C. Town Creek Contamination Update

Mr. Holley reported that a letter has been sent to City Council members regarding the sampling of Town Creek by the State and the results of those tests. The letter requested comment and guidance by the Mayor and City Council members to EAC.

D. Recycling Committee Update

Mr. Caldwell stated the committee will meet and will then be ready to give their presentation to City Council. The committee feels that an incentive program will be what is required to increase the recycling in the City above 10%.

E. GCPP Update

Mr. Cox reported the group discussed the Environmental Awareness Award and the possibilities of nominations from members of EAC.

F. EECBG Update

Mr. Wes Anderson reported the monies have been transferred for the revolving loan funds and he would get in touch with Sandra Anderson to see how the project was going. He also stated that GUC will be reimbursed for the street lights purchased and billing for the lights was the next step in the process. Calls were received in reference to the E-300 program by low income builders.

G. NPDES Phase II MS4 Renewal

Ms. Kirby reported that a draft generic permit had been received from the State to review for comments. The North Carolina League of Municipalities will be meeting to determine comments and present a unified response to the State.

7. OTHER– FYI

A. Recycling Report

B. UST Report

8. PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS – The following items are proposed for the January 6, 2011 meeting:

A. Election

B. City Council Presentation – Recap

C. Recycling Committee Update

D. Environmental Awareness Award – Potential Recipients

E. GCPP Update

F. EECBG Update

G. Tree Preservation

9. Adjournment –There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

ATTACHMENT B

(Town Creek Contamination Update)

Action: For your information.



City of Greenville
Office of the Mayor

December 14, 2010

Mr. Dee Freeman, Secretary
NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources
1601 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1601

RE: Town Creek, Greenville, NC, Pitt County; Groundwater Incident #3212

Dear Mr. Freeman:

The City of Greenville is concerned about the status of an underground storage tank incident, which the Division of Waste Management's Trust Fund Branch is administering. Town Creek is located adjacent to the Town Common, the City's downtown park, and drains into the Tar River. The site is adjacent to a fishing pier and boat ramp, and the creek flows under a bridge that is part of our greenway system. A recent visit to the site has determined that the area still smells of petroleum products, and the base of the creek continues to show iron contamination, which is an indicator of petroleum contamination. The present condition of the creek degrades the quality of life for the area's residents as well as for visitors to the Town Common.

A member of the City staff recently talked with the Division of Waste Management's case manager, Mr. Hassan Osman, and determined that he is planning to take another set of samples after the first of the year. He also stated that if the test results of the samples are still under the maximum contamination concentration (MCC) for surface water, he is planning to close the case. Mr Osman's proposed actions are of concern to the City.

The Division of Waste Management sampled the area in 2008. Test results on the samples determined that the creek met the MCC standards for surface water quality yet the area still smelled of petroleum products and had "iron precipitate." The report recommended that measures should be taken to restrict access to the area of impact. The Division of Waste Management, if it takes the action Mr. Osman proposes without resolving the remaining contamination problem, will impact the City's plans to make the Town Common one of the City's premier parks so that more visitors are attracted to our downtown area.

Mr. Dee Freeman
December 14, 2010

The City requests that further soil, ground, and surface water sampling occur to determine the extent of the problem. Additionally, the City requests that the Division develops and implements a remediation plan for the area so that the petroleum contamination will no longer impact the City's plans for the park. The City requests a meeting with the Division of Waste Management's leadership to discuss their timeline for plans to remediate the problem.

The City's point of contact is Mr. Wesley Anderson, Director of Public Works, and he can be reached at (252) 329-4522.

Sincerely,



Patricia C. Dunn
Mayor

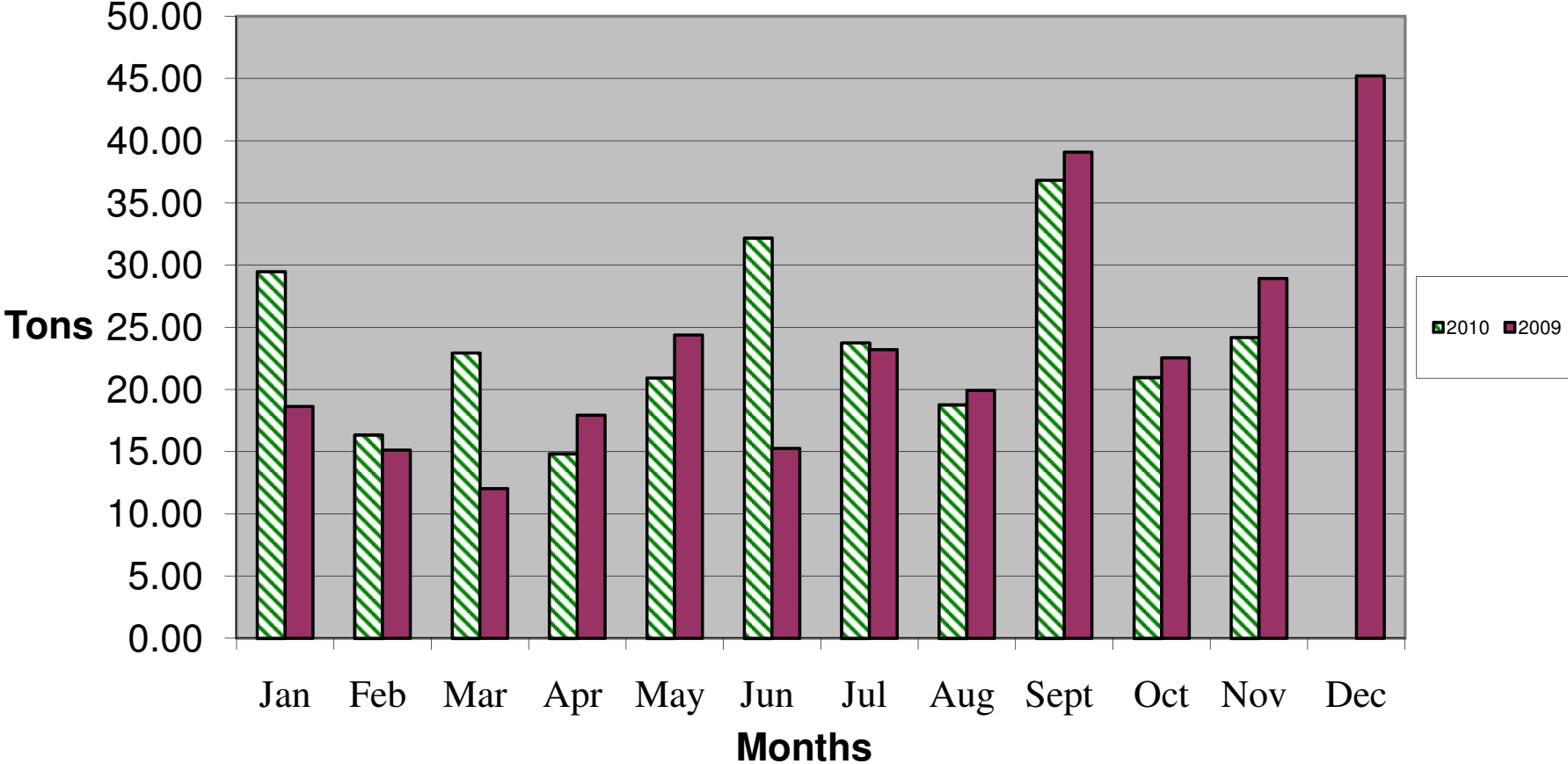
cc: Wayne Bowers, City Manager
Wesley B. Anderson, Director of Public Works
Lisa A. Kirby, PE, Senior Engineer
Hassan Osman, NC Division of Waste Management

ATTACHMENT C

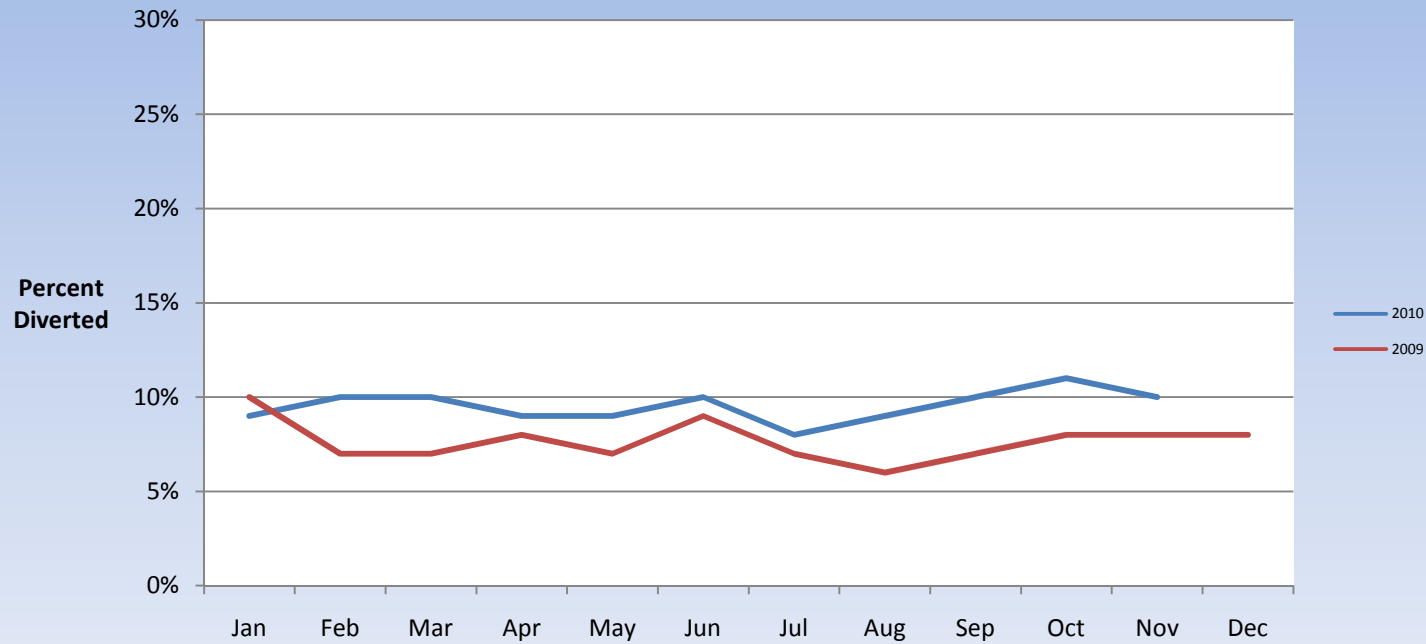
(Recycling Report)

Action: For your information.

Multi Family Recycling for 2009 and 2010

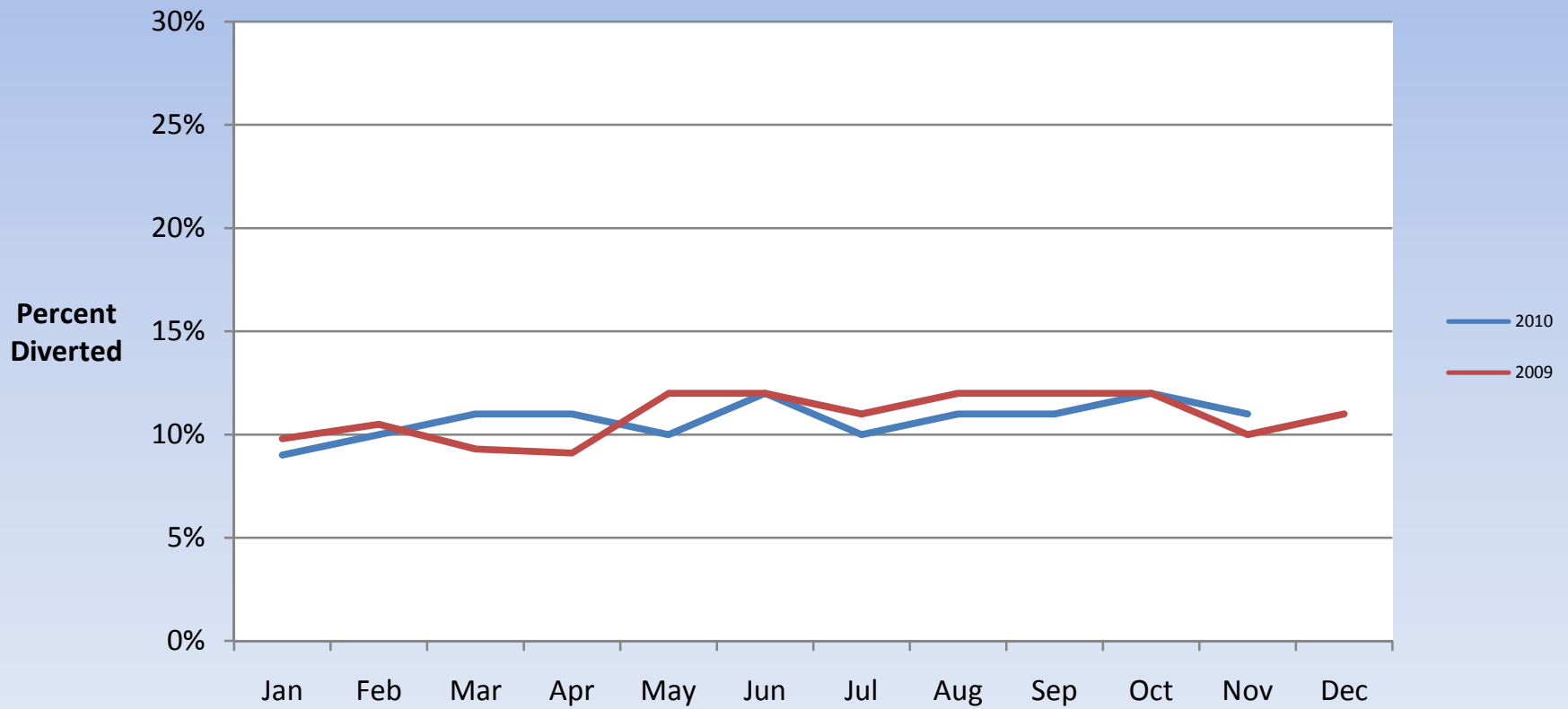


Comparison of Recycling Diversion Rate * For Calendar Years 2009 and 2010



* Household Only

Comparison of Recycling Diversion Rate* For Calendar Years 2009 and 2010



ATTACHMENT D

(UST Report)

Action: For your information.

**SUMMARY TABLE OF
*UST REPORTS***

DATE	PROPERTY OWNER	ADDRESS	COMPANY/AGENCY	COMMENTS
11/22/10	Marjorie Williams	215 Nichols Dr Greenville, NC	DENR	Soil & Groundwater Contamination Notice of Regulatory Requirements Initial Abatement Action Report
12/2/10	Falah Naji Hamdan & Huwaida Farah	425 Hooker Road Greenville, NC	DENR	Soil Contamination Notice of Regulatory Requirements Limited Site Assessment Report
12/8/10	Ms. Gladys White	1204 South Overlook Dr Greenville, NC	DENR	Soil & Groundwater Contamination Notice of Regulatory Requirements Initial Abatement Action Report