

Departmental Assessments & Actions Report (as of 10:33 AM, 07/12/05)

Neighborhood Initiative Program (NIP): Project #4 (Whitaker/McArdle/Rickey/Whitaker)

Department	Assessment	Actions Taken	Future Actions
Police (Directed Patrol)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 instances of graffiti • 2 gang areas specified • 0 reports of prostitution • 0 reports of homeless issues. <p><u>Prior criminal activity from October 1, 2003 to March 31, 2004</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 arrests for theft • 11 arrests for other offenses • 10 arrests for simple assault • 7 arrests for vandalism • 5 arrests for burglary • 5 arrests for drug abuse violations • 4 arrests for offenses against the family • 3 arrests for aggravated assaults • 3 arrests of runaways • 2 arrests for sex offenses • 1 arrest for rape • 1 arrest for forgery • 1 arrest for embezzlement • 1 arrest for weapons possession • 1 arrest for liquor law violations • 1 arrest for public intoxication • 1 arrest for curfew/loitering violations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 200 traffic stops conducted. • 93 moving violation citations have been issued. • Approximately 30 pamphlets were distributed to inform residents about concerns regarding family violence and auto theft prevention. • 27 local cars were provided with auto theft protection measures; i.e. stenciling of VIN # onto windshield. • 24 individuals registered for the HEAT program. • 23 arrests have been made. • 17 vehicles green-tagged with 72 hour notices resulting in 5 vehicles being towed • 9 instances of graffiti cleaned • 9 driver's license checkpoints have been set up. • 8 search warrants have been conducted • 4 parking tickets issued • 4 streets have actively worked with Community Services to set up "Neighbors On Watch Programs" • 4 general citations have been issued. • 3 trespassing warnings have been issued. • Police presence has been enhanced through the use of directed patrol in vehicles and on bikes. • JET officers working on different shifts have successfully reduced amount of gang activity in the area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued enhanced patrols • Working with residents towards enhanced neighborhood involvement. • Continued pressure by JET officers with hopes of controlling gang activity.

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Engineering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 140,000 square feet of four-ft. sidewalk needs to be removed and replaced. • 37,000 linear feet of 6" rolled curb needs to be replaced with 6" curb/gutter • 8,222 square yards of pavement repair needed. • 495 concrete driveways need to be removed and replaced. • 62 new ADA directional ramps are needed • 55 obstructions have identified (street, vision or sidewalk). • 53 existing signs need servicing • 10 new 10KL HPS Street lights with 4' arms and new wood utility poles are needed • 18 signs & poles need to be replaced • 4 existing sign poles need to be leveled • 2 existing street lights need to be relocated • 1 speed hump was requested • 1 existing sign & pole needs to be removed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 53 existing signs have been serviced • 35 street obstructions cases have been resolved • 18 signs and poles have been replaced • 6 vision obstruction cases have been resolved • 4 existing sign poles have been leveled • 4 sidewalk obstruction cases have been resolved. • 1 requested speed hump was considered and subsequently denied because did not exceed 400 vehicles per day. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two studies for requested speed humps on Whitaker should begin in the fall of 2004.
Environmental Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessing the area for future and continuing sustainability efforts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contracted with Beautify Corpus Christi Association (BCCA) to carry out sustainability tasks in the NIP communities when the operational phase is completed. • Working with Solid Waste and Parks & Rec. in developing plans/concepts in furthering sustainability in the NIP designated communities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinating future inlet stenciling project that will warn people not to dump into storm drains. These activities should occur during late spring and summer.
Fire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluated the neighborhood for missing and unreadable address numbers. • Assessed streets for overhanging limbs that might impede fire truck clearance and compared notes with engineering about future tree trimming efforts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 150 kids and 16 adults witnessed fire safety demonstrations for • 34 smoke detectors were distributed to area residents. • 17 fire hydrants were serviced. • 12 fire hydrants were painted. • 8 property owners were alerted regarding missing and unreadable address numbers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued upkeep of fire hydrants • Continue promoting fire safety through tutorials and enhanced neighborhood presence.

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Health Department	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 areas have been identified as containing stray dogs. • Stray cats continue to be a problem. • No instances of animal neglect have been identified. • No instances of too many animals have been identified. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 84 animals were licensed & vaccinated for illnesses like parvo, distemper, corona and rabies. • 6 stray dogs have been captured. • 3 citations have been issued 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue animal sweeps
Neighborhood Initiative Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identified an eligible homeowner whose house was in need of an exterior paint job. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsorship of \$735 from Home Depot was secured for the pilot project of the “<i>Paint with Pride</i>” program. • 10 volunteers were assembled to assist in the painting the exterior of one eligible home. 	
Neighborhood Services (Zoning & Code Enforcement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 92 abandoned / junk vehicles have been identified. • 32 areas/properties are overgrown with grass, weeds and vegetation. • 23 areas/properties contain discarded household furnishings and/or appliances. • 8 abandoned structures identified. • 2 properties contain zoning violations. • No sub-standard structures identified. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25 violation letters were issued regarding non-compliant boats and vehicles parked on private property resulting in the compliance of 19 owners. • 10 illegally parked vehicles were tagged resulting in the compliance of all 10 owners. • 8 areas/properties have been mowed and cleaned • Secured a contractor to cut and clear obstructions on city streets and sidewalks. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued and constant enforcement of city regulations regarding violations from high weeds to abandoned cars to substandard structures.
Parks & Recreation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground equipment near the Oso Recreation Center was removed and requires replacement. • Improvements are needed for pool at Oso Recreation Center. • There are currently no picnic tables or benches on which to sit outside the Oso Recreation Center. • A park trail or a walkway is required. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An Infinite Circle Climbing Gym Set has been ordered for the Oso Recreation Center. • An oak tree was planted at the Oso Recreation Center to commemorate the City’s partnership with the community in tackling local issues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The play area will be moved closer to the Recreation Center complete with the new Infinite Circle Climbing Gym Set as well as some spring rider toys for the younger children. All of this will be situated inside a mulched enclosure so as to create a softer and hence safer play surface for the kids.

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Solid Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 69 areas were found to contain trash, brush and or debris. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 113.89 tons of solid waste as removed • 33 tires were disposed of 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scheduling quarterly Litter Critter (Brush Trucks) Trucks for neighborhood clean ups. • Cash for Trash program • Household Hazardous Waste Program
Storm Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Storm water drainage flows to the exterior flanks of this area on McArdle and Whitaker Drive along Oso Golf Course. • Area contains 25 inlets, 6 manholes & 4 Outfall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22 inlets have been cleaned. • 4 area streets have had work orders generated regarding the settling of curb and gutters there. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently there is a large unfunded backlog of work to be done. Work will be accomplished when funding becomes available.
Streets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 streets require rework • 1 pothole needs to be fixed • Streets in area were sealed in August of 2002 and contain no base failures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 blocks (2 streets) were reworked • 1 pothole was fixed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required street lighting is to be installed by the end of June 2004.
Wastewater	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No wastewater issue identified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No action needed 	
Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size of the water mains is sufficient • 5 new fire hydrants are needed 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 new fire hydrants will be installed by the first week of September 2004.