

City of Petersburg, Virginia



Department of Public Works & Utilities

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Utilities Division



Status Update

I. Water Utilities Work Orders	17
II. Wastewater Work Orders	32
III. Water Meter Work Orders	49
IV. Utility Billing	175
I. Terminations	59
II. New Services	116

Street Operations Division



Monthly Update

2025 Citywide Pothole Blitz: The Street Operations Division is currently conducting a citywide effort to repair potholes in all seven wards. Division personnel and contractors are being utilized to make the repairs. The maintenance program will run from March 17th through April 18th. Potholes can be reported directly to the Street Operations Division or through the City's service request portal.

Stormwater Drainage Improvement Projects: To improve operational capacity and reduce roadway flooding, the Street Operations Division is currently doing upgrades to the stormwater drainage components at several locations in the City. The upgrades consist of installing new storm drain inlets and underground drainage pipes at the following intersections:

- **Church Street and Summit Street – Completed**
- **Chuckatuck Avenue and South Boulevard – Completed**
- **Melville Street and Kirkham Street - Pending**

2025 Traffic Signal Conflict Monitor Testing: The annual testing of the traffic signal conflict monitors is currently underway. This annual testing initiative is being performed at forty-six intersections to ensure that these critical devices are operating correctly and will detect any malfunctions that would cause a traffic signal conflict at these intersections.

Petersburg Annual Leaf Collection: The Street Operations Division has completed the annual leaf collection program.

Weekly Litter Control: The Street Operations Division continuously performs litter removal activities in all seven wards in the City. Special attention and effort are also directed at the City's gateways, major roadways and the downtown area.

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Weekly Debris and Illegal Dumping Control: The Street Operations Division continuously performs removal activities in all seven wards in the City to address items illegally dumped and debris placed in the roadway right-of-way. Special attention and effort are also directed at the City's gateways, major roadways and the downtown area.

Illegal Sign Removal: The Division has assigned personnel to remove illegal signs that are being placed along the roadway right-of-way.

Personnel Issues: The Street Operations Division currently has eleven full-time vacant positions. Six other employees have communicated that they will be retiring in 2025. **The Street Operations Division overall production capacity is currently at 65%. Four of the thirteen Motor Equipment Operator positions are currently vacant plus an additional position is restricted from operating equipment. The Motor Equipment Operator production capacity is currently 61.5%. A lack of competitive compensation is the predominant factor affecting recruitment and employee retention.**

Facilities and Grounds Highlights



Facilities & Ground Division Highlights:

- **701 S ADAMS ST** - Contractor replaced rear door closer and made repairs to threshold, concrete and closer connecting rods.
- **FIRE STATION 2** - Used a hose clamp to secure condensation line, from ice machine to pump
- **STATION 4** - Check and service generator. Operating correctly
- **COMMONWEALTH ATTY** - Finished railing repair work
- **POLICE DEPT** - Water on floor by fountain; shut off valve and repaired leak
- **FORT BROSS** - Confirmed septic tank is full; Gentry Septic cleaned septic system
- **MARKET ST FIRE STATION** - Delivered 4 air filters (16/25/2") for HVAC units
- **POLICE DEPT** – Make 5 spare keys for office.
- **JDR COURTS** - Delivered two chairs for deputies at front security checkpoint

Stormwater Division



Positives:

- Construction Phase On Multiple Projects
 - Fleets Branch Stream Restoration Project (Pre-Construction & NTP Completed: Construction Activity Underway)

Negatives:

- Floodplain Administrator Position Vacant; No New Qualified Candidates Have Applied

Statistics:

- 95%+ Of All Stormwater Reviews and Inspections Accomplished Within Timeframes Established by VESMA Regulations
- 4 Stormwater Site Plan Review Were Completed
- 9 Stormwater/Soil Erosion Building Permit Reviews Were Completed

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Thank you

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