

To: Honorable Mayor and City Councilors
From: Russell Gale, Acting City Manager
Date: March 16, 2018
Re: Notes to Council

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- Press Release – Mayor and City Manager attend meeting at White House

3. SPECIAL EVENTS / ACTIVITIES

N/A

Respectfully submitted,



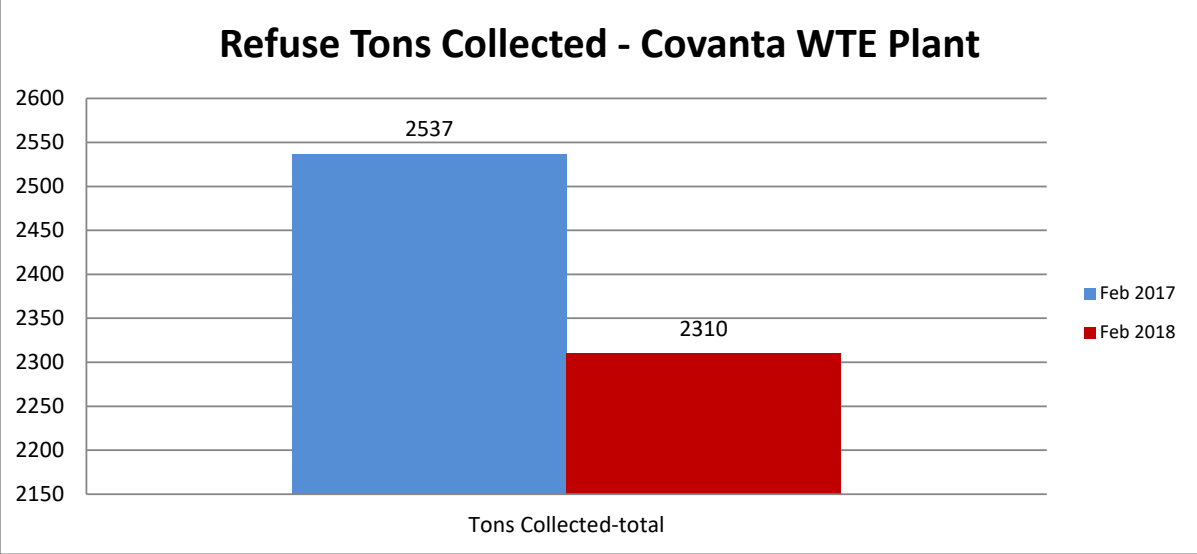
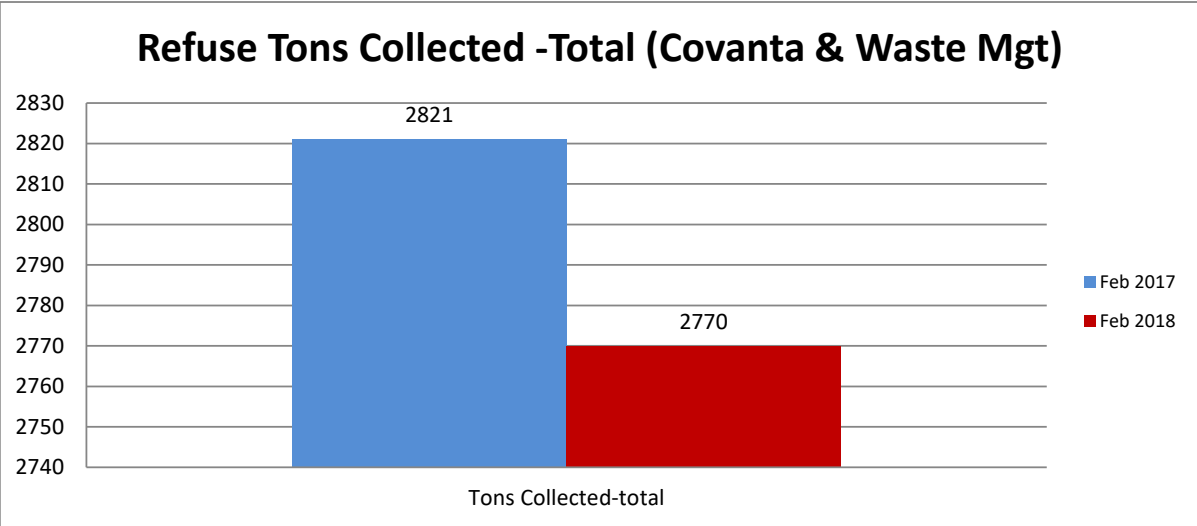
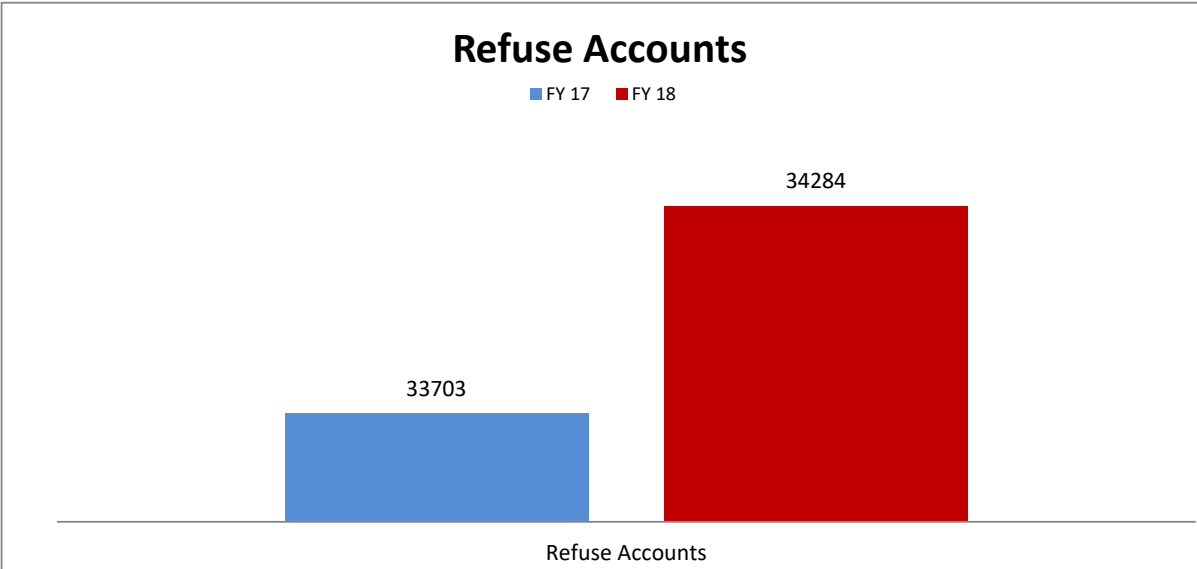
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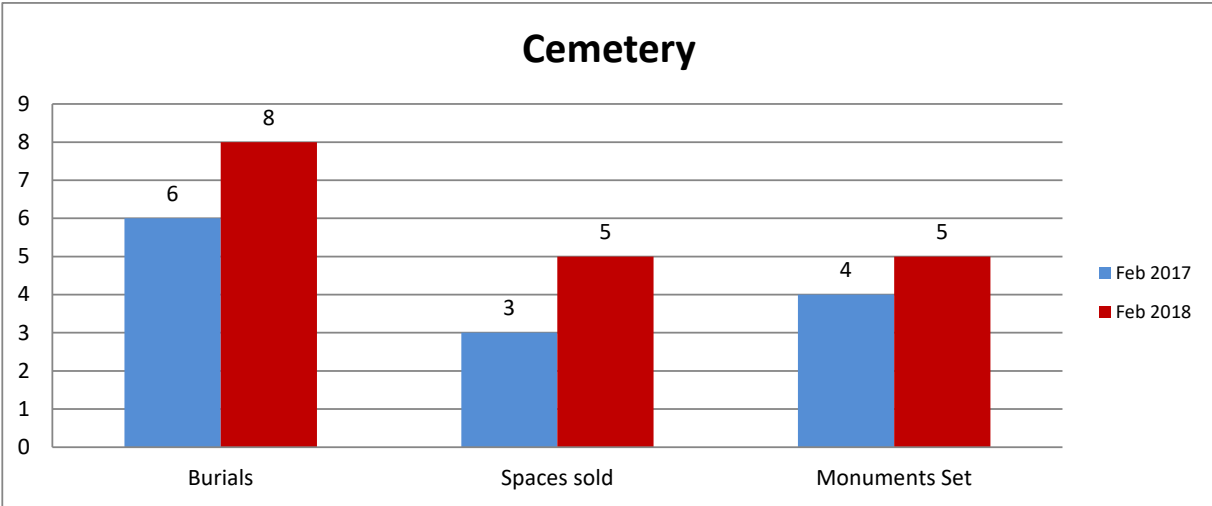
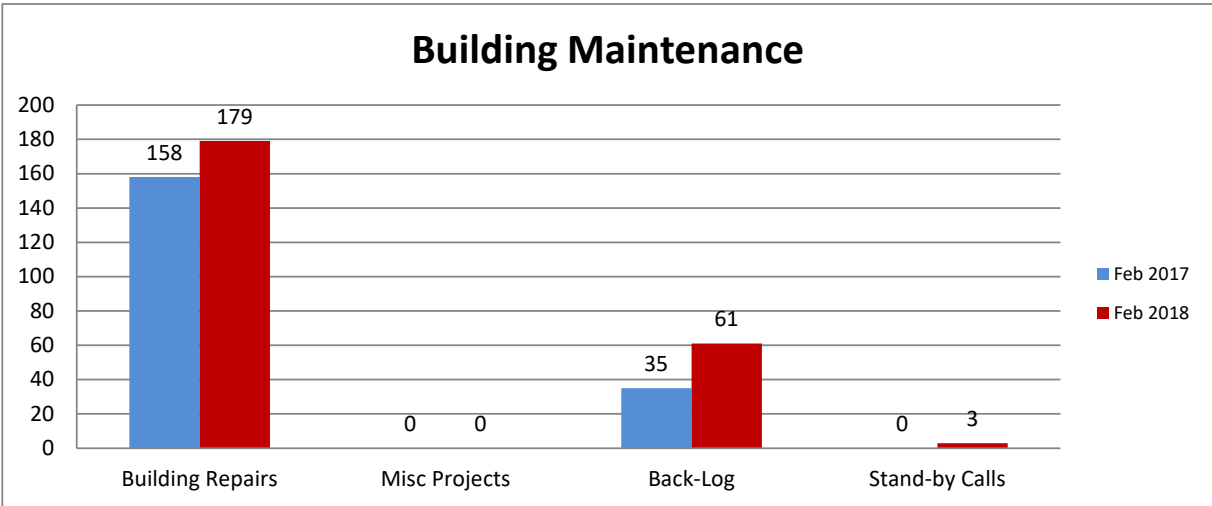
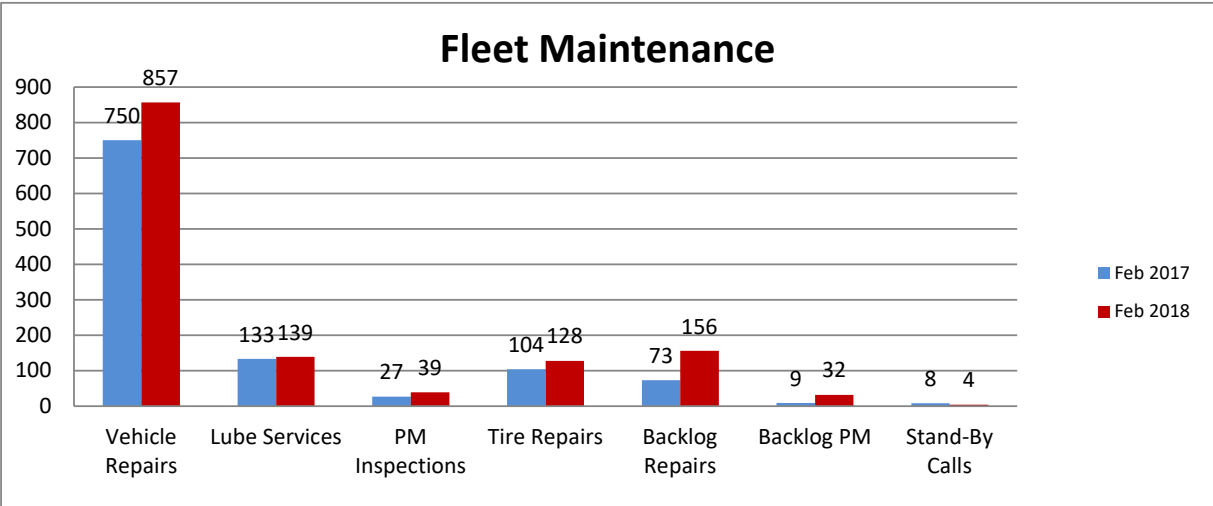
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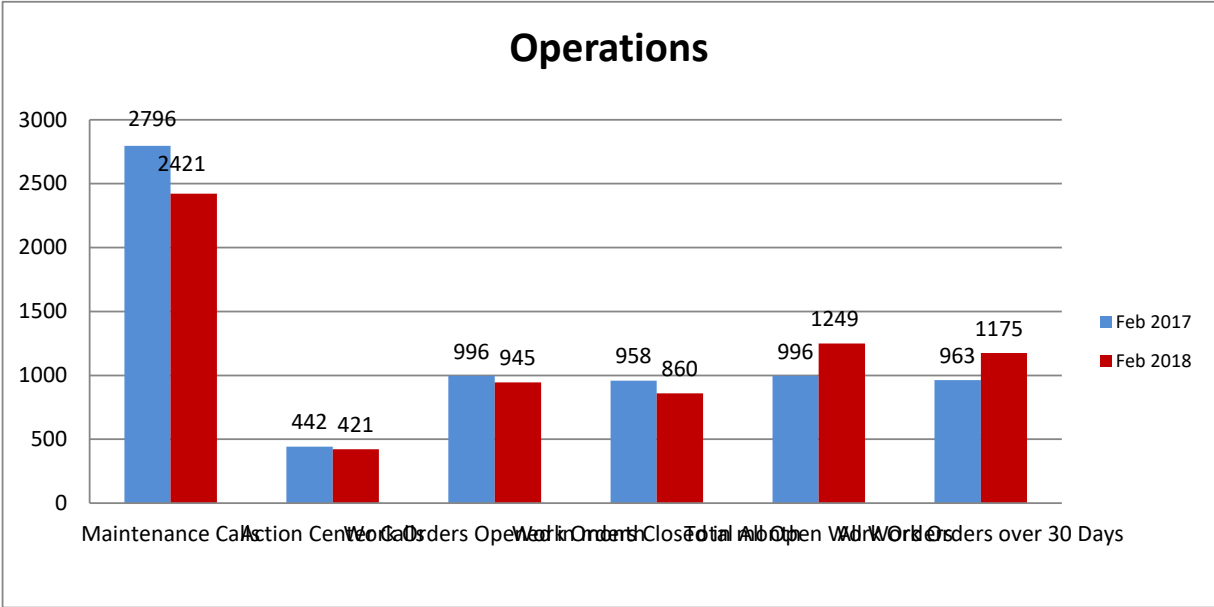
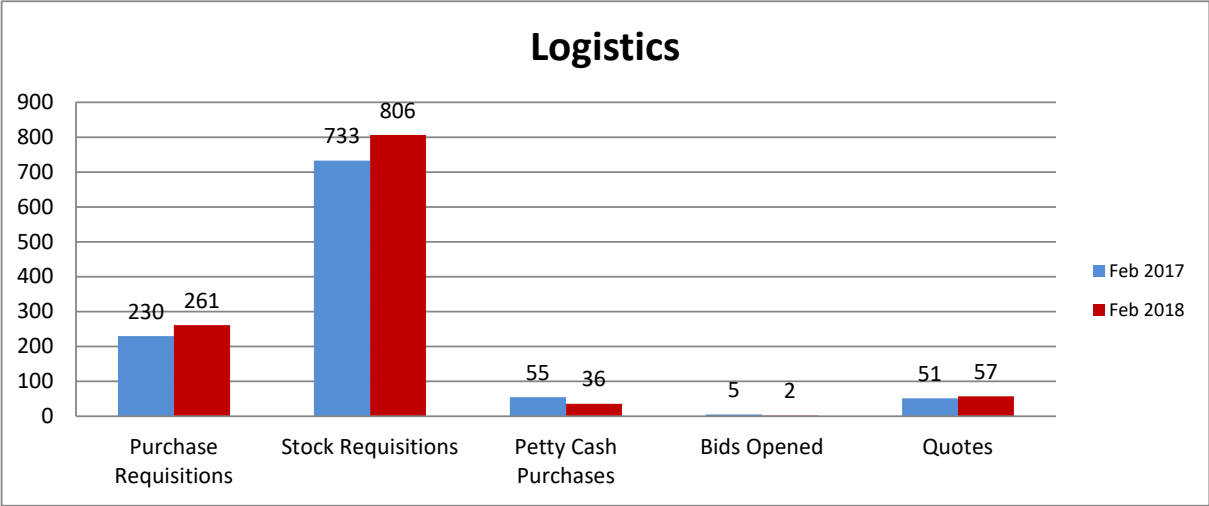
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2. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE / NOTIFICATION



PRESS RELEASE

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Kick-off open house and keynote speaker planned for Comprehensive Plan

Residents, businesses invited to weigh-in on commercial, neighborhood priorities

Broken Arrow, Okla. (3/15/18) – The City of Broken Arrow will host an Open House meeting to introduce and help set the vision for its Comprehensive Plan on Tuesday, March 27 at Central on Main (220 N. Main Street) from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. A brief presentation about the plan and a keynote address about Broken Arrow’s local economy and market conditions is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. All Broken Arrow residents, businesses, and other interested persons are invited to participate in this important meeting regarding the future of the City. Attendees may come and go anytime during the Open House hours.

The Comprehensive Plan is an aspirational and strategic policy document to help guide the City’s future development pattern and further enhance quality of life over the next twenty-years. Since the last Comprehensive Plan adopted in 1997, Broken Arrow has seen significant growth and its estimated population has climbed to 112,000 — making it Oklahoma’s fourth largest City. Today, an update is needed to proactively prepare and respond to new and emerging market conditions in Broken Arrow. Through this 18-month planning process, many future community needs will be identified, prioritized, and incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan.

The Kick-Off Open House will provide attendees with an overview of the comprehensive planning process and an opportunity to provide ideas and preferences for improving neighborhoods and housing, downtown development, mobility and transportation options, parks and recreational facilities, community appearance and character, quality of life, and other plan components. Input from this initial public meeting will help in setting the priorities and strategies for Broken Arrow’s future growth to be reflected in the plan.

The plan development process is being led by Halff Associates Inc., professional planning consultants helping the City of Broken Arrow develop the plan.

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BROKEN ARROW COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

**KICK-OFF
OPEN HOUSE**

Come learn about the plan and provide input on key priorities for the city's future.

When? Tuesday, March 27th
6:00-8:00 PM

Presentation & Keynote Speaker
6:30PM

Where? Central on Main
220 N. Main St.

Why should you attend?

- Learn about the Comprehensive Plan process.
- Gain insights on the local economy and market conditions.
- Share your ideas on how to improve neighborhoods, downtown, mobility & transportation, parks & recreation, community appearance, and quality of life.

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Broken Arrow mayor attends meeting at White House
Thurmond invited to participate in the Mayors' Infrastructure Discussion

WASHINGTON, D.C. (3/15/2018) – Broken Arrow Mayor Craig Thurmond today attended a special invitation only meeting at the White House.

A select group of mayors from across the country met with D.J. Gribbin, Special Assistant to the President for Infrastructure, during a meeting to discuss infrastructure.

President Donald Trump has made the country's infrastructure a key emphasis. According to a White House fact sheet, the United States ranks No. 12 in the world in overall infrastructure, behind countries like Japan, Germany, the Netherlands and France. The president's goal for infrastructure is to seek long-term reforms on how infrastructure projects are regulated, funded, delivered and maintained.

“This is a great day for the City of Broken Arrow,” Thurmond said. “Being part of this discussion will allow us to make sure that great things continue to happen in Broken Arrow. Taking care of our infrastructure is critical to the City's successful growth and continued prosperity.”

City Manager Michael Spurgeon also joined Thurmond during the White House meeting.

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