



City of Cherry Hills Village

2010 Annual Report



I am pleased to report that 2010 was another great year for the City of Cherry Hills Village. Although cities around the state have reported negative budgetary impacts, the news for Cherry Hills Village continues to be positive. The City has

achieved many accomplishments in 2010 and we have many things to look forward to in 2011.

Some of the 2010 accomplishments highlighted in this report are:

The City's audited financial statements reflect that the assets of the City exceeded its liabilities by \$24 million. In addition, the General Fund balance was increased by \$817,345 resulting in an unreserved ending fund balance for the General Fund of \$12.4 million. The remaining principal due for the South Suburban obligation has been reduced to \$6.6 million. We are proud that with Karen Proctor's guidance, the City has maintained an excellent fiscal position during this recessionary period. We nonetheless recognize that fiscal impacts to the City will be significant beginning in 2012 due to property valuation reductions so we will continue to operate the City in a lean prudent fashion anticipating future revenue reductions.

The Police Department, headed by Deputy Chief Jody Sansing, continued to focus on community policing, crime prevention and customer service. Each patrol vehicle is now equipped with a laptop computer and a digital video system. Major crimes in the City continue to decline and the photo red light located at Bellevue and University has reduced traffic accidents at that location by 69%. Preliminary planning began for a new joint Public Safety facility to be shared between our Police Department and South Metro Fire District.

Community Development, which is managed by Rob Zuccaro, saw an increase of 16% in building permits. In 2010 the City, through the Residential Development Standards Committee, continued to study possible changes to our zoning ordinances in order to address concerns regarding the size and shape of new home construction and the impact they are having on adjacent properties and the semi-rural character of the City. We continue to work with telecommunication service providers to increase cell service in all sectors within the City.

Under Jay Goldie's leadership, Cherry Hills Village continues to have one of the most proactive road maintenance programs in the state. The public works employees logged 410 miles, 345 hours of sweeping and removed 186 tons of material from our streets and gutters.

The Parks and Recreation Department, supervised by Ryan Berninzoni, spent countless hours mowing, removing weeds and trimming trees. They have begun to install a new type of irrigation system, netafirm, which will save the City water and money. In addition, the annual movie night in John Meade Park and the holiday tree lighting events were very successful.

All of these accomplishments were made possible because of the leadership of City Council, the Boards and Commissions and especially the stellar efforts of City Manager, John Patterson and City staff.

Sincerely,
Mike Wozniak
Mayor

MAYOR'S REPORT



Cherry Hills Village Elected Officials

City Council

Mayor:	Mike Wozniak
District 1:	Mark Griffin
District 2:	Russell Stewart (Mayor Pro-Tem)
District 3:	Alex Brown
District 4:	Scott Roswell
District 5:	Klasina VanderWerf
District 6:	Harriet LaMair

Cherry Hills Village City Council meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m.

Planning & Zoning Commission

Ira Plotkin (Chair)
Laura Christman (Vice Chair)
Ann Kerr
Jacque McIntyre
Joe Poche
Jim Rubin
Peter Savoie

The Planning & Zoning Commission meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m.

Board of Adjustment & Appeals

Earl Hoellen (Chair)
Suzy Love (Vice Chair)
David Heller
Susan Struna
Jamie Seitz
Mark Griffin (City Council Liaison)

The Board of Adjustment & Appeals meetings are held the first Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m.

Parks, Trails & Recreation Commission

Jane Soderberg (Chair)
Ann Gallagher (Vice Chair)
Karen Barsch
Katy Brown
Bill Callison
Jim Fairbairn
Jeffrey Ferrell
Klasina VanderWerf (City Council Liaison)

The Parks, Trails & Recreation Commission meetings are held the second Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m.

Residential Development Standards

Committee

Linda Behr
Tracy James
Andrew Nielsen
Peter Savoie
Steve Szymanski
Klasina VanderWerf (City Council Liaison)
Scott Roswell (City Council Liaison)

The Residential Development Standards Committee meets on an as needed basis.

Financials

The City of Cherry Hills Village, like many other communities, has faced reductions in revenues as a negative impact of the prevailing economic conditions. The continued challenge for Cherry Hills Village has been to provide desired City services at the maximum level possible while maintaining fiscally responsible practices.

The City of Cherry Hills Village has been able to achieve this goal through continued monitoring of revenue and expenditures along with direction and support from City Council throughout the year.

2010 Fiscal Highlights Include:

- Assets of the City exceeded its liabilities by \$24 million
- \$14 million of these assets are unrestricted and can be used to meet the City's obligations to the citizens
- General Fund revenues exceeded expenditures by \$817,345, increasing the fund balance to \$12.7 million

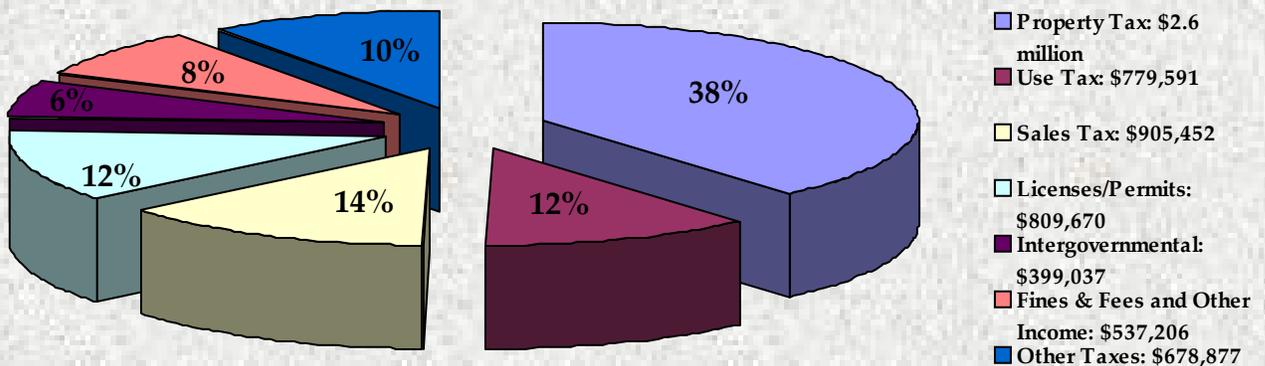
In the 2011 budget, City Council established a new Capital Fund to be used for items costing over \$5,000 that have a useful life greater than one year. As the City has entered a period of decreasing revenues it has become important for the Council to prioritize the use of City financial resources. The 2011 budget was developed by first assigning revenues to support City operating costs ahead of more discretionary expenditures such as capital improvements. Expenditures in 2011 for all funds are budgeted at a 2% decrease from 2010.

The 2010 audited financial statements can be found on the City's website at www.cherryhillsvillage.com.

General Fund Revenues

The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the City. In 2010 total General Fund revenue was \$6,702,132, an increase of 2% from 2009. The major revenue source for the General Fund is property tax.

2010 General Fund Revenues : \$6.7 million

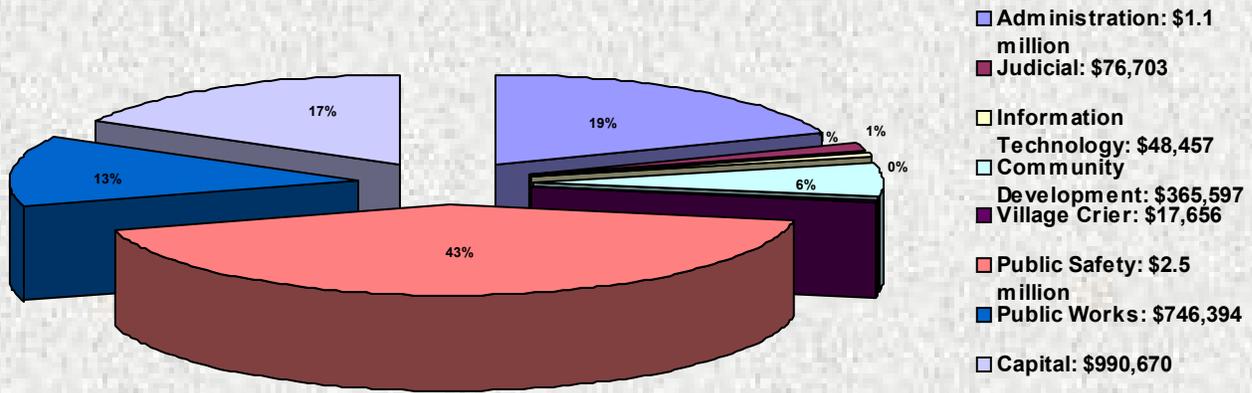


Financials continued

General Fund Expenditures

Total General Fund expenditures in 2010 were \$5,884,787, a decrease of 5% from 2009.

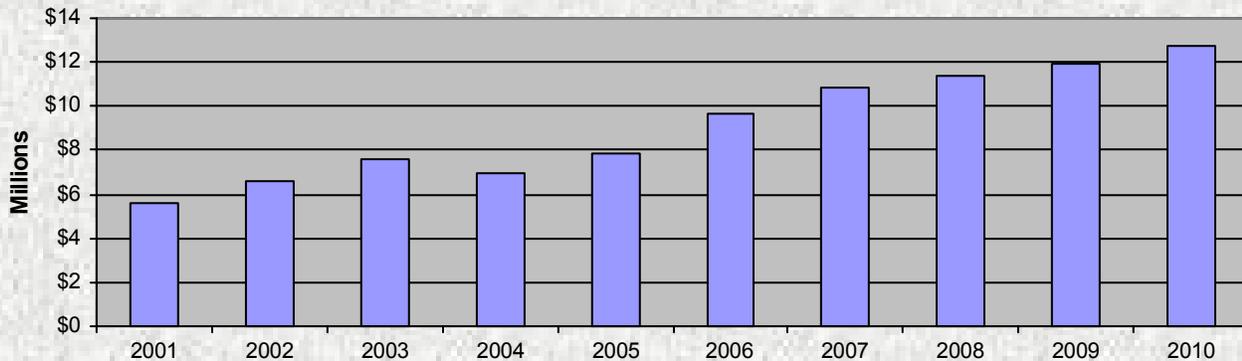
2010 General Fund Expenditures: \$5.9 million



General Fund-Fund Balance

A healthy fund balance is important to the fiscal strength of the City. It is the City's policy to maintain an unreserved fund balance for the General Fund equivalent to a minimum of six months of the current year's expenditures less capital outlay and transfers out budgeted for the fund. The 2010 unreserved ending fund balance for the General Fund was \$12.4 million.

History of General Fund-Fund Balance



South Suburban Obligation

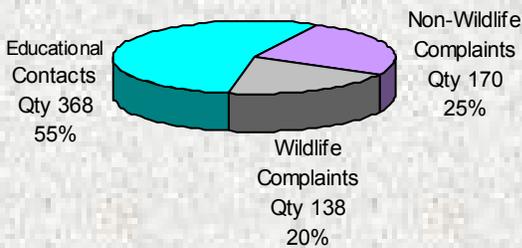
The City excluded from South Suburban in 2004. The court ordered the City to pay the District \$9.6 million for the conveyance and transfer of assets. The City is required to make annual principal and interest payments each December through 2019. The remaining principal due at the end of 2010 is \$6.6 million.

City Services

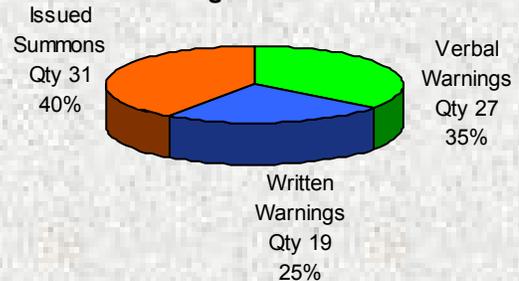
Animal Control

2010 was a busy year for Cherry Hills Village Animal Control. A major accomplishment for the year was developing a contract with the Humane Society of the South Platte Valley (HSSPV). For years, the City has lacked a relationship with a large animal shelter, which severely limited our resources regarding found or abandoned animals, disposal of dead animals, assistance with injured animals and mandatory court holds. The HSSPV not only provides all of these services for us now, but they are also a great resource for community assistance and education. The HSSPV provides a direct source of information relating to all types of animal needs including training for the residents of this community, a convenient location for adoptions, vaccinations and spay and neuters. You can view the HSSPV webpage at www.hsspv.org, find them on Facebook, or call their main number at (303) 703-2938.

**January through December 2010
Animal Issues
Complaints & Contacts**



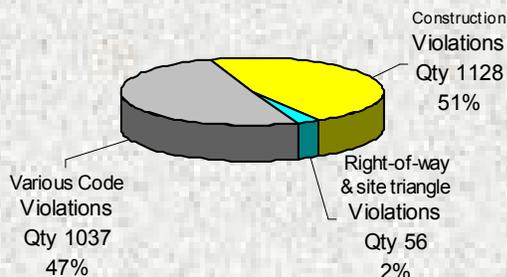
**January through December 2010
Animal Control
Warnings & Summons**



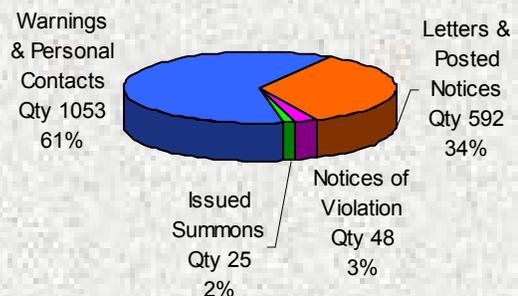
Code Enforcement

The Code Enforcement Division realized a significant increase in 2010 for minor construction violations. Construction enforcement continued to account for over half the Division's activity while a drop in both major/citable violations and the issuance of Notices of Violation was experienced. The Division's storm water/water quality enforcement and inspection activities increased significantly during 2010, accounting for a marked increase in these types of violations. Most remaining nuisance and general Code violations remained consistent during this period, yet personal contacts and warnings increased notably due to Officers' efforts at both increasing and improving personal interaction with residents and contractors alike.

**January through December 2010
Code Violations**



**January through December 2010
Code Enforcement Actions**



Police Department

2010 was a very productive year for the police department. Our focus continues toward crime prevention and customer service, two key elements in the development of a true community oriented policing model. Statistical summaries provided below show that crime reports have decreased significantly over a five year period while arrest numbers have increased over the same time period. Major crimes in the City; including: burglary, criminal mischief (vandalism), theft and motor vehicle theft steadily decreased.

The Police Department has taken a proactive approach with the application of new technology in an effort to more efficiently fight crime within the City. 2010 marked the first full year with laptop computers in each patrol vehicle and digital video systems were integrated into the computers throughout the fleet. The photo red light system installed at E. Belleview Avenue and S. University Boulevard has continued to significantly reduce traffic accidents with an overall decrease of 69%.

Within the Police Department two new officers were hired in 2010 bringing the department to full staffing levels. Kevin Nagy is beginning his career in law enforcement after many years in the restaurant business, and David Sesok joined the department after serving with the Colorado State Patrol. Curt Wood was promoted to the rank of Patrol Sergeant and Jerry Stinnett was promoted to the rank of Detective.

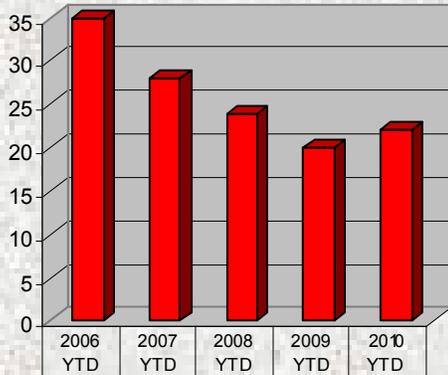
The Police Department successfully handled several dignitary visits during the summer including the First Lady of the United States, Michelle Obama, and the First Lady of Panama. Each visit required police planning and coordination with adjacent jurisdictions and the U.S. Secret Service.

Preliminary planning began on a new Public Safety Facility, which will house both the police department and the South Metro Fire Rescue Authority Station 38.



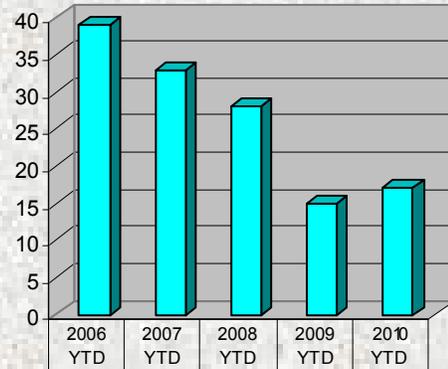
Police Department continued

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF



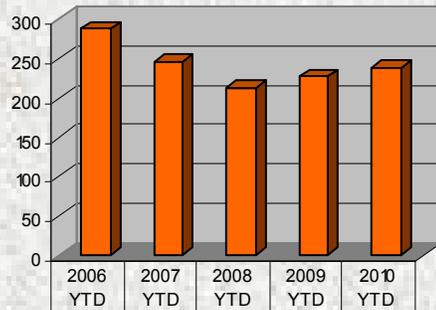
Criminal Mischief	35	28	24	20	22
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BURGLARY



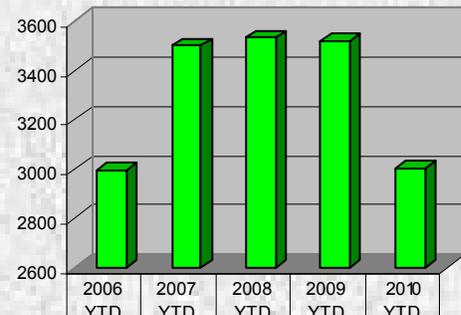
Burglary	39	33	28	15	17
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TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS



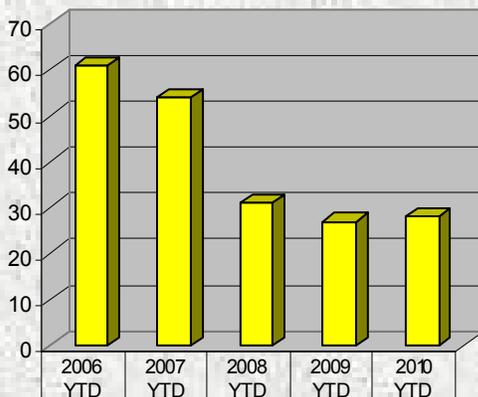
TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS	288	246	214	227	238
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CITATIONS



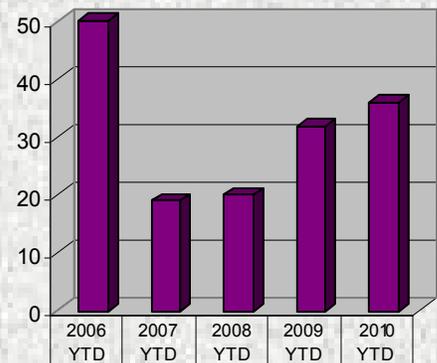
TRAFFIC CITATIONS	2996	3501	3533	3519	3006
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THEFT



Theft	61	54	31	27	28
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THEFT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE



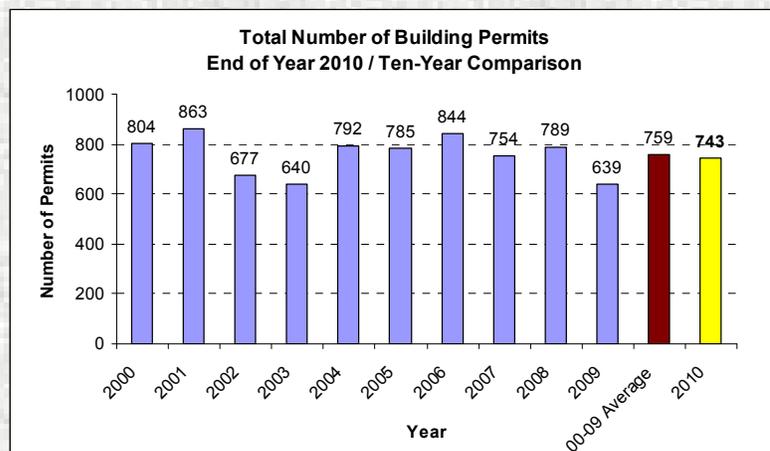
Theft from Motor Vehicle	50	19	20	32	36
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Community Development

Building activity in the Village was up in 2010 when compared to 2009, but still below the ten year average. The City processed 743 building permits in 2010, which is an increase of 16 % from the 2009 total of 639 permits. Building permit revenues were \$569,439 in 2010, up 12% from \$508,474 in 2009. Fewer new single family homes were built in 2010 when compared to previous years, but there was an increase in the construction of additions to existing homes and remodels. The City expects to see a continued overall upward trend in building in 2011. The 2010 budget for the Community Development Department was \$366,157.

The City continues to contract with Colorado Code Consulting, LLC to provide building permit review and inspection services and Icon Engineering to provide engineering services.

	2010	2009	% Change
TOTAL APPLICATIONS	743	639	16 %
New Single Family Residences	8	10	-20 %
Additions, Remodels, and Alterations	124	106	17 %
Accessory Structures and Recreational Uses	34	50	-32 %
Other Permits (Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical, etc.)	577	469	23 %
TOTAL BUILDING PERMIT FEES COLLECTED	\$569,439	\$508,474	12 %



Community Development continued

In addition to issuing building permits and conducting building inspections, the Community Development Department is responsible for processing development applications, such as requests for variances to the zoning code, expansions to religious facilities and private schools, development in the floodplain, and placement of wireless communication facilities. There were 13 development applications processed by the Community Development Department in 2010.

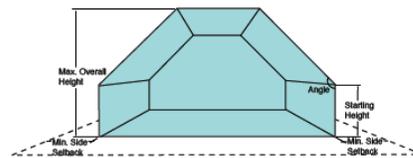
Development Application	2010	2009
TOTAL APPLICATIONS	13	11
Conditional Use/Wireless Communication Applications	6	2
Expanded Use Applications (religious facility and private school expansions)	1	1
Floodplain Development Permit Applications	2	1
Major Event Permit	0	0
Subdivision/Subdivision Amendment Applications	2	3
Rezoning Applications	0	0
Variance Applications	2	4
Appeal Applications	0	0

In 2010, the City continued to study possible changes to the zoning ordinance aimed at addressing concerns expressed by residents that the size of new homes is adversely impacting the semi-rural character of the community, views, solar access, privacy and open space. In 2010, the City hired a consulting firm, Winter and Company, to explore this issue further and make specific recommendations to the City Council on the use of Bulk Plane and Floor Area Ratio (FAR) zoning standards. More information on these efforts can be found at the following website:

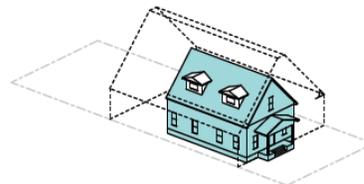
www.winterandcompany.net/cherryhills.html

WHAT IS A BULK PLANE?

A bulk plane standard lowers height limits near the edges of a lot by establishing an inclined plane over which buildings may not protrude. By pushing taller building elements towards the center of a lot, a bulk plane may reduce looming impacts on neighboring properties and promote privacy and solar access.



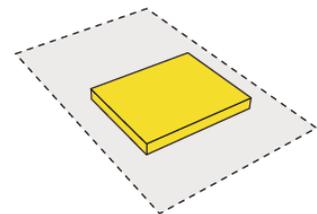
As viewed from the front of a lot, a bulk plane begins at a starting height above the side setbacks and rises at a 40° angle until it intersects with the maximum overall height.



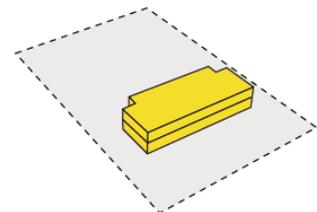
As viewed from above, a bulk plane combines with minimum setbacks and maximum overall height to define a three-dimensional space that buildings must fit into. As illustrated above, dormers, chimneys and other limited features may be allowed to protrude through the bulk plane.

WHAT IS FLOOR AREA RATIO (FAR)?

FAR is the ratio of above-ground building floor area to lot size. By ensuring that buildings are proportionate to their lots, a maximum FAR standard may reduce mass and scale impacts on neighboring properties. FAR sometimes excludes all or part of detached garages and accessory structures.



An 8,935 square foot one-story building on a 38,850 square foot lot would have a FAR of 0.23.



An 8,935 square foot two-story building on a 38,850 square foot lot would also have a FAR of 0.23. A wide variety of building configurations are possible at the same FAR.

Public Works

The Public Works Department has 51.27 miles of road to maintain, of which 5.1 miles are gravel. The department's policy is to grade the gravel roads a minimum of four times a year, as weather permits. Gravel roads are treated with magnesium chloride to reduce dust and to stabilize the material. Over the past several year the City has added recycled asphalt to all of the gravel roads to help improve the surface and dust issues. Paved streets are chip sealed to extend pavement life and are repaired and repaved as needed. Chipseal is the most cost



effective way to get a new wear surface on each road and seal out water at the same time. Within the next few years all of the City's paved streets will have a chipseal on them. Cherry Hills Village has one of the most proactive road maintenance programs in the state.

In 2010, the City placed 496 tons of road base on gravel roads, 1873 tons of asphalt to help maintain and repair streets. In addition City Staff placed 6 tons of crack seal material, as a preventative maintenance application. Contractors placed 777 cubic yards of concrete, 6856 tons of asphalt and 126,618 square yards of chip-seal material. 2011 will mark the final year in a 7 year Capital improvement program. City staff continues to plan for the next 7 year cycle.

Snow removal efforts were drastically reduced for 2010 due to the relatively dry and mild winter we experienced. In 2010, the department placed 78 tons of 6% salt/sand for ice and snow control. Additionally, the City applied 4525 gallons of liquid deicer to help offset the need for sand. The liquid deicing operation helps reduce particulate emissions (Brown Cloud) from street sanding operations in the Denver area. 692 man-hours were used to clear streets and trails of snow and ice to help keep traffic and pedestrians moving safely. All this required 7931 miles of travel by the plow vehicles.

The crew logged 410 miles and 345 hours of sweeping; while removing 186 tons of material from the streets and gutters.

The annual Spring Clean Up was once again successful removing trash and electronics from resident's yards and homes.

Parks and Recreation

Parks crews spent 1,116 hours mowing and 1,329 hours weed whacking the City's parks, open spaces and rights-of-ways; additionally they spent 748 hours trimming trees. General maintenance; including: trash pick up, tree watering, fence repair, irrigation repair and maintenance, weed pulling and spraying accounted for 2,731 hours of work.

In 2010, Parks staff completed the installation of the east side of Holly Street and Bellevue Avenue entry feature. The final phase included the installation of a decorative retaining wall, large boulders and the planting of various evergreen trees.



Another project completed was the installation of new plants and irrigation at the corner flower beds at University Boulevard and Quincy Avenue. During this project, the Parks staff installed a new type of irrigation called netafim. This type of irrigation waters from the root up and results in less evaporation seen with traditional irrigation. This in turn saves water and money. Staff is encouraged by the outcome of plant growth and reduction in water usage so look for the City to install more netafim irrigation in other areas as the systems are replaced and upgraded.

One other project that the Parks staff completed in 2010 was the planting and installation of blue grass and perennials to the pocket park at Holly Street and Quincy Avenue. Again, this was another project that was needed and the final outcome proved to be well worth the hard work it took to complete the task.

Last, in 2010 the Parks staff began the installation of new metal sleeves, bollards and locks on all City maintained bridal paths. Staff has completed about 50% of the installation and is excited to complete the remainder by the end of the summer 2011.

Movie Night in John Mead Park and the Holiday Tree Lighting were both very successful events again in 2010. Hundreds of residents participated between the two events.



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Curt Wood

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Municipal Court Clerk	Jessica Sager	jsager@cherryhillsvillage.com

The Village Center is open 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and is located at:
2450 East Quincy Avenue. The City website is www.cherryhillsvillage.com.