



City of Cherry Hills Village

MAYOR'S REPORT



Dear Villagers,

Much has happened in our wonderful Village since the last time we issued our Annual Report. The Wall Street Journal reported in September 2012 what most of us had known for a long time: we are “**The Number One Best Suburb of America to Live In.**” Forbes Magazine reported in October 2012 that 80113 was the 37th priciest ZIP Code for real estate in the United States. (That’s out of 43,000 ZIP Codes!) And considering that 1/3 of that ZIP Code includes properties west of Clarkson and north of Hampden, our ranking is much higher when those homes are filtered out. Forbes also reported that we are one of the 25 Best Cities of America to Retire In. The U.S. Census Bureau calculates that Cherry Hills Village is the sixth most affluent neighborhood in the United States. These accolades prompted The Wall Street Journal to do a full page story in April 2013 on real estate in Cherry Hills Village, creating a further bump in our residential home values.

Why all this emphasis on our residential real estate? Real property taxes constitute the largest portion of our revenue in the Village. Property taxes declined by 16% from 2011 to 2012. The positive news reports we have generated for Cherry Hills since our last Annual Report will help tremendously to restore – and increase – the value of our homes, ensuring that the Village will continue to provide promised services to our citizens and create the opportunity to leverage our acquisition of more open space (as we did with the Alan Hutto Memorial Commons in August 2013), provide civic improvements (including expanded undergrounding of utilities to avoid power outages) and continue to equip our Police Department with the newest and best equipment for our protection.

Our Administration, Police, Community Development and Public Works Departments continue to provide exceptional service to our citizens. We have great things going on in 2013, but this is the time to celebrate the accomplishments in 2012 of our hard-working staff and the incredible contribution made by your dedicated **VOLUNTEER** elected and appointed government officials – the City Council, the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Parks Trails & Recreation Commission, the Board of Adjustments and Appeals, the Public Art Commission and the Quincy Farm Visioning Committee. These uncompensated neighbors of yours spend countless hours improving the quality of life in our Village. Their only pay is your thanks. Please be generous with it!



For more information about all of these wonderful people, read this Annual Report, visit our website at www.CherryHillsVillage.com and be sure to watch our new and exciting KCHV – TV, channel 22 on your Comcast Cable-equipped television!

Sincerely,
Doug Tisdale
Mayor

City of Cherry Hills Village

City Council

Mayor:	Doug Tisdale
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:	Katy Brown

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

Planning & Zoning Commission

Laura Christman (Chair)
Peter Savoie (Vice Chair)
Joe Poche
Jim Rubin
Steve Szymanski
David C.P. Wyman
Al Blum

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

Board of Adjustment & Appeals

Suzy Love (Chair)
Jamie Seitz (Vice Chair)
Earl Hoellen
Susan Struna
Kerry Sullivan
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

Bill Lucas (Chair)
Jeffrey Ferrell (Vice Chair)
Jim Fairbairn
Karen Barsch
Colleen Dougherty
Robert Eber
Mike Gallagher
Katy Brown (City Council Liaison)

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

Public Art Commission

Ann Polumbus (Chair)
Teresa Harbaugh
Douglas Smooke
Gay Warren
Klasina VanderWerf (City Council Liaison)

The Public Art Commission meetings are held once a month on Monday mornings at 8:30 a.m.

Quincy Farm Visioning Committee

Jeff Welborn
Jeff Ferrell
Karen Barsch
Laura Christman
Harriet LaMair
Debbie Welles
Charles Maguire
Klasina VanderWerf
Katy Brown

The Quincy Farm Visioning Committee meetings are held as needed at the Village Center.

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.

2012 Fiscal Highlights Include:

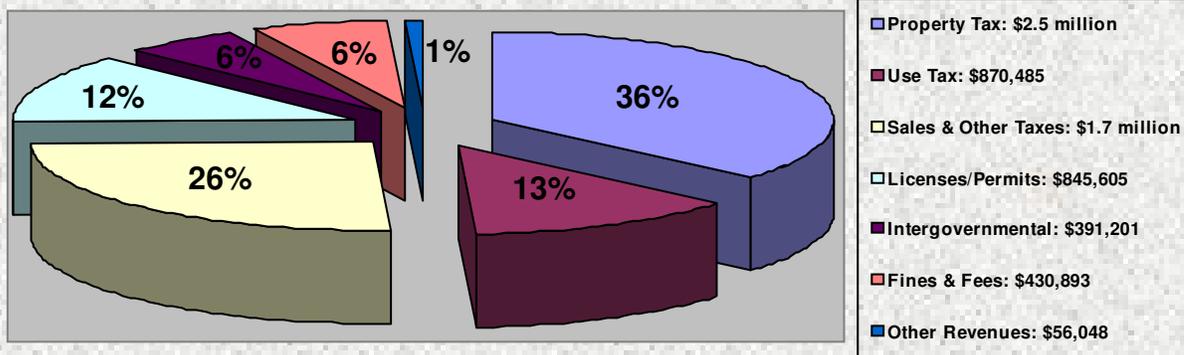
- Assets of the City exceeded its liabilities by \$28.6 million
- \$13.4 million of these assets are unrestricted and can be used to meet the City's obligations to the citizens
- At the end of the fiscal year 2012, fund balance for the general fund was \$6.1 million and the capital fund balance was \$5.6 million
- General fund actual revenue exceeded budgeted revenue by \$829,410 for the fiscal year 2012 and actual expenditures were \$1,042,402 less than budgeted expenditures

In 2011, 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 entered a period of decreasing revenues it became important for the Council to prioritize the use of the City's financial resources. The 2013 budget was developed by first assigning revenues to support City operating costs ahead of more discretionary expenditures such as capital improvements. Expenditures in 2013, for all funds, are budgeted at a 25% decrease from 2012. This decrease is mainly due to the completion of the joint Public Safety facility that was included in the 2012 budget.

General Fund and Capital Fund Revenues

The General Fund is the primary operating fund of the City. In 2012 total General Fund revenue, combined with the Capital Fund revenues, was \$6,802,687, a decrease of 7% from 2011. The major revenue source for the General Fund is property tax, which saw a 16% decrease from 2011 to 2012.

2012 General and Capital Fund Revenues : \$6.8 million

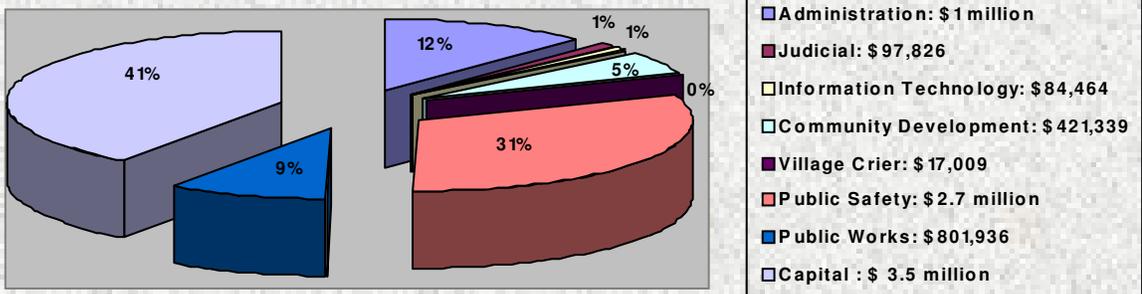


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General Fund and Capital Expenditures

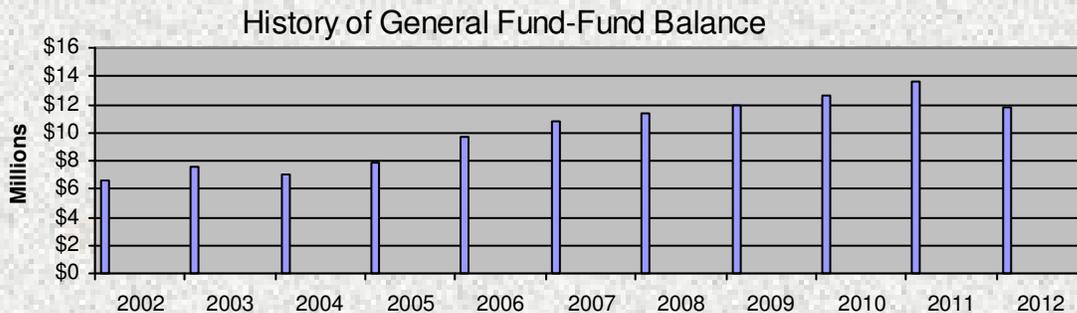
Total General Fund and Capital expenditures in 2012 were \$8,641,247, an increase of 38% from 2011. This increase is due to the funding of the new Joint Public Safety Facility.

2012 General Fund and Capital Expenditures: \$8.6 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 2012 ending fund balance for the General Fund and Capital Fund was \$11.8 million (\$2.6 million decrease for funding of the Joint Public Safety Facility).



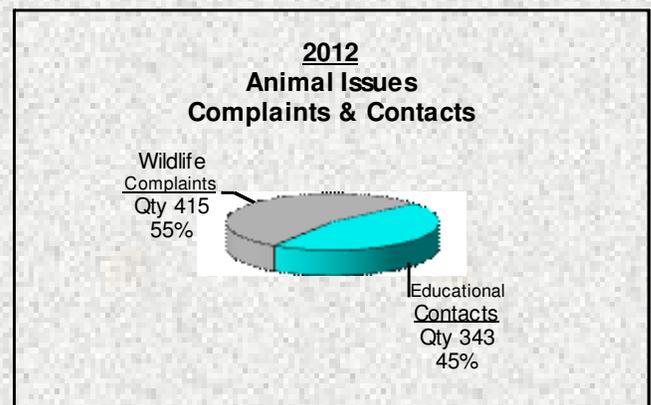
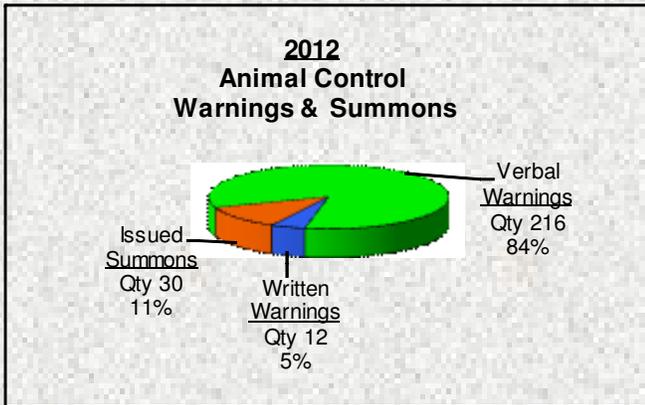
South Suburban Obligation

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 in December through 2019. The remaining principal due at the end of 2012 is \$5.2 million.

City Services

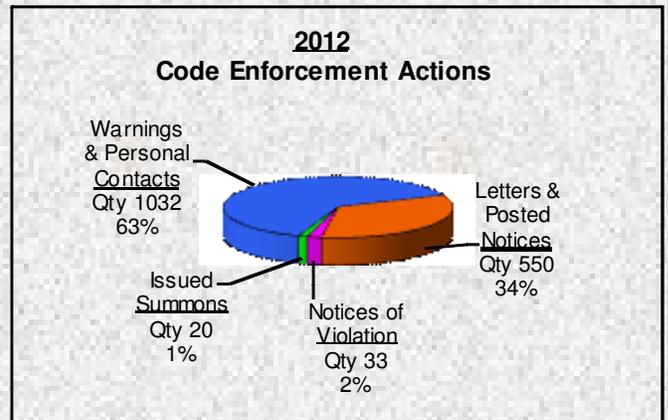
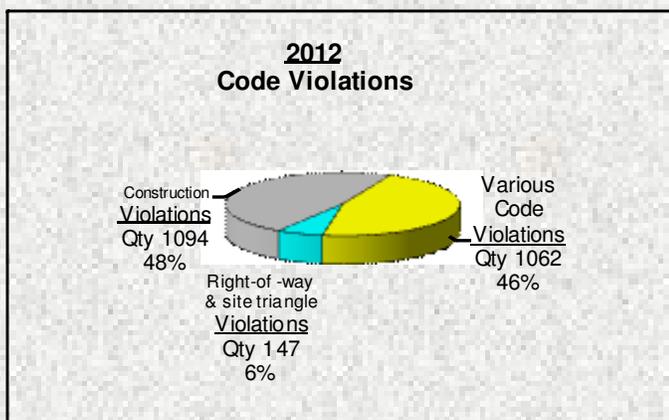
Animal Control

Cherry Hills Village residents are able to register their dogs online at the City's website (www.cherryhillsvillage.com). The Cherry Hills Village Municipal Code requires every resident, that owns a dog six (6) months of age or older, to obtain a City dog license (City Code Section 7-5-310). A rabies vaccination is required to obtain a dog license and licenses are valid for the calendar year and must be renewed annually. The cost of each dog license is \$10.00 per year. Unfortunately, we do not have the ability to accept online payments at this time. Credit Card transactions can be made over the telephone by calling the City offices at (303) 789-2541. Check or money orders can be made payable to the City of Cherry Hills Village and mailed to the Village Center. Cash is acceptable, but should not be mailed. If you wish to make the payment in cash, please bring it to the Village Center.



Code Enforcement

The purpose of the Code Enforcement Division is to promote, protect and improve the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Cherry Hills Village through an effective and proactive code enforcement program. The Officers continue to improve relations and personal interactions with contractors and residents every year. For questions or concerns regarding code compliance, please contact the Code Enforcement Hotline at (303) 783-2752 or email chvcodehotline@cherryhillsvillage.com.



Police Department

2012 was a year of change and continued productivity for the Police Department. The department is committed to providing exceptional service to our community. To facilitate our value of service, we strive to explain our actions and provide procedural justice to any member of the community we contact. In addition, each member of the department expects to be held accountable for our actions. Communication with our community is essential to our success and using these tools will strengthen our bond with those we serve.

Statistical summaries show that crime in the Village continues to remain low. Major crimes including burglary, criminal mischief (vandalism), theft and motor vehicle theft in 2012 have mirrored past years averages.

The Police Department hired a new Chief of Police and four new officers in 2012. Chief Michelle Tovrea joined the department after serving almost 29 years with the Lakewood Police Department. Officer Zach Lyons was hired after graduating from the police academy at Red Rocks Community College. Officer Nancy Gaertner began with the Village after serving 15 years with the Lakewood Police Department and experience in the small business world. Officer John-Norman Flaum started with the Village, receiving his Basic Law Enforcement Training Academy Post Certification from Red Rocks Community College. And finally, Officer Pat Wilson Officer brings 22 years of law enforcement experience to our department serving with both the Wheat Ridge Police and Lakewood Police Departments.

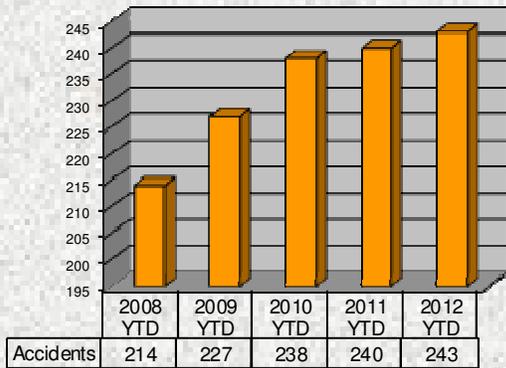
The Police Department was responsible for the safe and successful conclusion of several major events in 2012 including dignitary visits during the presidential election season, the United States Amateur Golf Tournament at the Cherry Hills Country Club, a prolonged Special Weapons and Tactics operation on Sedgwick Drive, a natural gas hazardous materials incident at Cherry Hills Elementary School, the large funeral of a retired officer of the Denver Fire Department and three major "in line of duty death" funerals for officers from Englewood, Denver and the Lakewood Police Departments. Every member of the department was recognized for their service with an Excellence in Service Award.



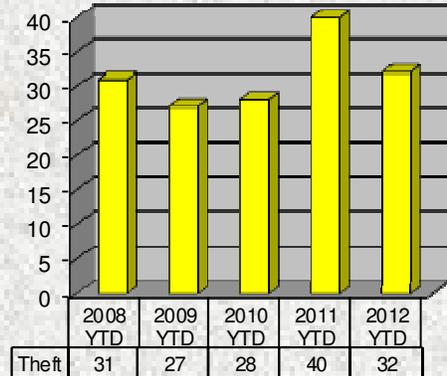
The new Joint Public Safety Facility, which houses both the Police Department and South Metro Fire Rescue Authority Station 38 was completed at the end of 2012. The facility has been a model for other departments looking at designs for future buildings. Our facility has created much needed space for Village Center employees and has increased the effectiveness of emergency services for the community.

Police Department continued

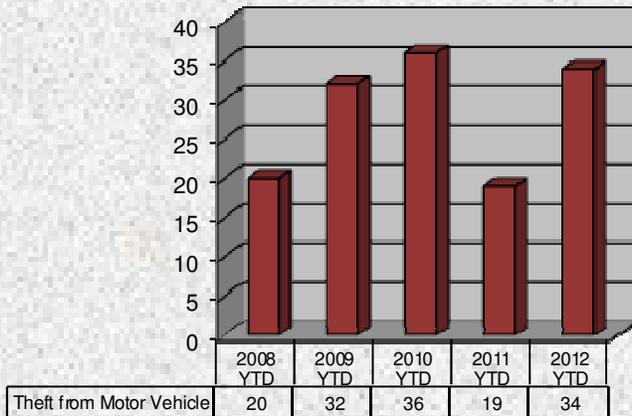
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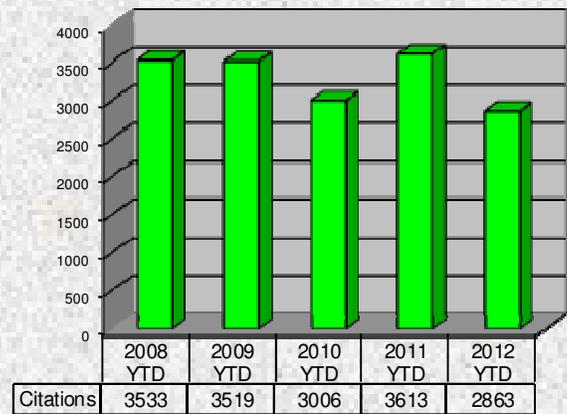
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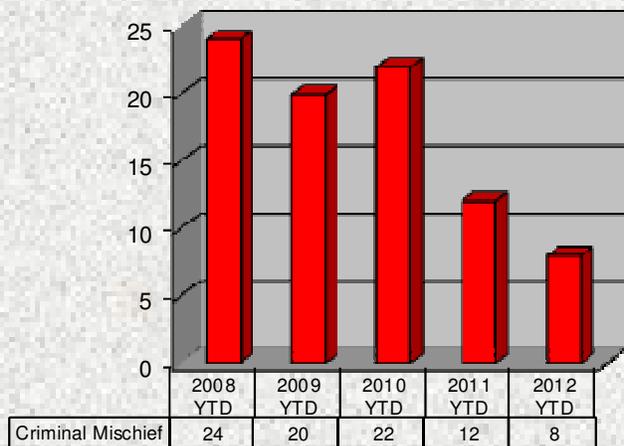
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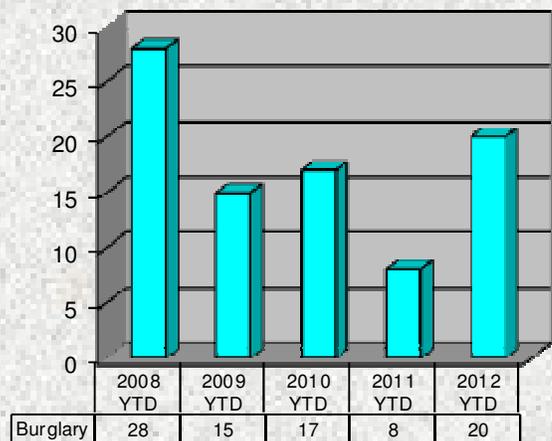
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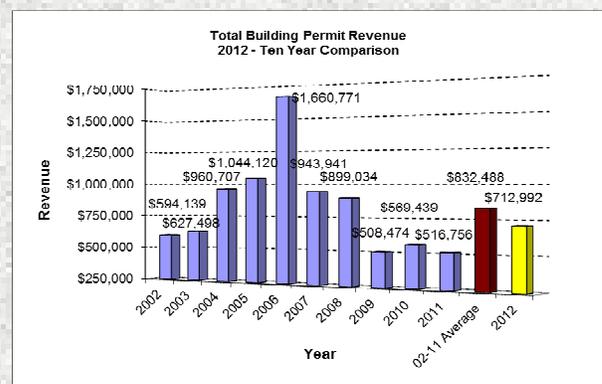
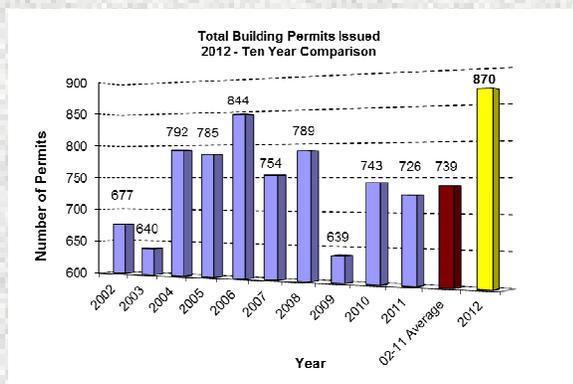
Community Development

The Community Development Department is divided into the Building, Planning and Engineering Divisions and coordinates land use and development in the Village to ensure it is consistent with the Village's Master Plan and adopted codes. The Building and Planning Divisions' responsibilities include issuing building permits, conducting building inspections and processing development applications, such as requests for variances to the zoning code, expansions to the City's private clubs, religious facilities and private schools, development in the floodplain, and placement of wireless communication facilities. The Engineering Division reviews drainage plans for private developments and assists Village staff with development review and public works projects. The Village's Community Development Department also provides staff support to the Village's Planning and Zoning Commission and Board of Adjustment and Appeals.

Building Permit Activity

In 2012, the Village issued 870 permits, conducted 263 building plan reviews, and 5,202 building and zoning inspections. Building permit fees collected increased by 20% from \$516,756 in 2011 to \$712,992 in 2012 after a three-year lull in revenues. However, the 2012 revenues were still below the ten-year average of \$832,488. The 870 permits processed in 2012 is the largest number of permits issued in the last 10 years and 131 permits above the 10-year average. New home construction also increased significantly, with permits being issued for 14 new homes in 2012 compared to only 7 permits issued for new homes in 2011. Of the 14 new home starts in 2012, 12 were redevelopments on lots where the old home was demolished and 2 occurred on vacant lots. The Village sees 18 new home starts in a typical year based on the ten-year average.

Building Permit 2011-2012 Comparison



	2012	2011	% Change
TOTAL APPLICATIONS	870	726	20%
New Single Family Residences	14	7	100%
Additions, Remodels, and Alterations	123	129	-5%
Accessory and Recreational Structures	51	37	38%
Other Permits (Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical, etc.)	682	553	23%
TOTAL BUILDING PERMIT FEES COLLECTED	\$712,992	\$516,756	38%

Community Development continued

Development Review

There were 13 development applications processed by the Community Development Department in 2012 compared to 12 in 2011. These applications included five subdivision amendments, three wireless facility installations, two floodplain development permits, two expanded use applications, and a major event permit for the 2012 US Amateur Golf Championship that was held at Cherry Hills Country Club.

	2012	2011
<i>TOTAL APPLICATIONS</i>	13	12
<i>Conditional Use/Wireless Communication Applications</i>	3	2
<i>Expanded Use Applications (religious facility and private school expansions)</i>	2	0
<i>Floodplain Development Permit Applications</i>	2	4
<i>Major Event Permit</i>	1	0
<i>Subdivision/ Subdivision Amendment Applications</i>	5	4
<i>Rezoning Applications</i>	0	0
<i>Variance Applications</i>	0	2
<i>Appeal Applications</i>	0	0

Department Personnel

The Community Development Department includes two full time staff members, the Community Development Director and Community Development Clerk. The Building Division and Engineering Division services are contracted to Colorado Code Consulting and Icon Engineering respectively.

Public Works

The Public Works Department is dedicated to maintaining and improving the quality of life in Cherry Hills Village by planning for future needs of streets and parks, promoting environmental quality, building and maintaining municipal infrastructure, managing public capital improvement projects and protecting the health, safety and welfare of the public. The Department is divided into two divisions; the Streets Division provides for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of public works and related services within the City's streets, while the Parks Division is tasked with improving and maintaining the City's parks, trails and open spaces for the enjoyment of the residents now and in the future.

The Streets Division is responsible for general management, operation and care of the infrastructure found in the City's right-of-way including streets, bridges, curbs, gutters, trails, traffic, traffic signage, street striping, storm drain system, irrigation, street sweeping, entry features and tree trimming, right-of-way permits and inspections, snow removal as well as general management operation and care of City facilities and properties. The Department manages over 50 miles of paved streets and 6 miles of gravel roads within the City.

The Parks Division is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for all residents of Cherry Hills Village by providing a variety of opportunities that encourage physical and social health, community pride, relaxation, and enjoyment of the City's open space, trails and parks. The Parks Division maintains over 50 acres of parks and open space lands as well as over 26 miles of bridle paths and hard surface trails.

Some of the many responsibilities of the Department include:

- Maintain 50+ miles of streets
- Manage citywide stormwater program
- Own and operate 36,000 feet of sanitary sewer lines
- Oversee all city facility maintenance
- Recreation reimbursement program
- Maintain 26 miles of bridle trails, 50+ acres of open space and park land
- Special events including Holiday Tree Lighting, Movie Night, Car Show, community shred and recycling day
- Manage Denver Water Total Service Agreement
- Household hazardous waste program
- Coordination of Urban Drainage stem stabilization program
- City fuel operations
- Traffic Planning
- Utility franchise agreement management
- Right-of-way construction permitting
- Capital construction management
- Snow removal

Public Works continued

2012 Projects/Improvements

Snow removal operations were completed utilizing 975 man hours using staff from both the Parks and Streets Divisions. 7,450 gallons of magnesium chloride were applied to the roads during snow removal operations to work in conjunction with the 119 tons of salt sand that were utilized to keep the motoring public safe. Crews drove almost 4000 miles during these operations.

The first annual Exotic Car Show was held in 2012 and was a great success with over 55 cars entered in the show.

114 yards of concrete were installed by the City's concrete contractor to replace curb and gutter in various areas around the City.

City crews placed 528 tons of asphalt before the chipseal operations were completed by A-1 Chipseal. The street sweeper operation removed approximately 296 tons of material from the City streets.

In August the City held its 5th Annual "Movie Night under the Stars" at John Meade Park. The event proved to be a success with the over 100 residents that came to watch the movie "Up."

1256 tons of road base were placed on gravel roads in an effort to keep the roads in an acceptable condition for travel. Staff spent over 500 hour maintaining gravel roads in 2012.

The Streets Crew installed over 6 tons of crack sealant on City Streets as a preventative maintenance measure in an effort to minimize the effects of water and ice damage to the street surface and subsurface.

On December 7, 2012 the City held its 5th Annual "Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony." The event continues to grow as staff strives to make the experience better each year and is excited to move forward with future events.

86,840 yards of chip seal was installed by A-1 Chipseal, the City's contractor for this project. The City continues to utilize the chip seal process as a means to keep street repair cost down while providing better driving surfaces.

Crews spent over 400 hours and removed 300 tons of debris maintaining and repairing the City's storm drain and ditch network to ensure proper flow of runoff, minimize damage to both public and private improvements that can be caused by stormwater, and to insure compliance with state and federal stormwater regulations.

The annual City clean-up was once again a great success. The totals collected:

Paper shredded	10,000 lbs	Paint recycled	16,880 lbs
Electronics recycled	6,469 lbs	Trash and rubbish collected	48,000 lbs

Mission

The mission of the Cherry Hills Village Public Works Department is to provide a superior quality, safe and appropriate infrastructure and natural areas for all residents. By establishing positive relationships with the community the Department is able to provide effective, safe and well managed streets, parks and public facilities. The Department will be stewards of the environment and be fiscally responsible in all aspects of its operation. All Public Works employees will be highly qualified individuals and will be provided with the opportunity to continually increase their knowledge through education and training.

Vision

To be a well managed, highly effective department that responds to the current and future needs through creativity and innovation in order to maintain and enhance the community's essential infrastructure and natural resources.

City Staff

City Manager	John Patterson	jpatterson@cherryhillsvillage.com
Director of Finance & Administration	Karen Proctor	kproctor@cherryhillsvillage.com
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Human Resource Analyst	Kathryn Barlow	kbarlow@cherryhillsvillage.com
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Police Technician	Nathalie Klasens	nklasens@cherryhillsvillage.com
Police Clerk	Sarah Henderson	shenderson@cherryhillsvillage.com

Sergeants:

Paula Balafas
John Reynolds
Curt Wood

Officers:

John Bayman	Nancy Gaertner	Paul McCarthy
Heidi Bradley	Greg Gillett	Kevin Nagy
Jen Callahan	Jeremy Gunther	Noah Rolwing
Casey Firko	Dave Lynes	Cory Sack
John-Norman Flaum	Zach Lyons	Pat Wilson

Animal Control	John Newhouse	jnewhouse@cherryhillsvillage.com
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Street Superintendent	Ralph Mason	rmason@cherryhillsvillage.com
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Parks Crew Chief	Matt Krebsbach	mkrebsbach@cherryhillsvillage.com
Public Works & Parks Admin. Asst.	Pamela Broyles	pbroyles@cherryhillsvillage.com

Public Works Maintenance Workers:

John Hogue
Greg Wilkins

Parks Maintenance Workers:

Kevin Johnson
Jeff Roberts
Chuck Reno

Community Development Director	Rob Zuccaro	rzuccaro@cherryhillsvillage.com
Municipal Court Judge	James E. Turre	
Prosecuting Attorney	Andy & Christy Ausmus	
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.