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SUBJECT: City of Newburgh Financials – April 2016

Below are the highlights of the City of Newburgh revenue and expenses for the period from January 1, 2016 to April 30, 2016 (FY2016).

General Fund Revenue

Through April 2016, the City of Newburgh collected \$15.5 million compared to the annual revenue budget of \$43.5 million. Thus far, the City has collected 35.5% of the revenue for FY2016. Of the \$15.5 million collected, \$10.6 million was for Real Property Taxes and PILOT Payments, \$2.2 million was for sales tax, \$736k for Fund Balance transfer, \$746k in Enterprise Fund transfer, \$279k in Departmental Income and \$497k in Mortgage Tax and Use of Money. The remaining revenue was a combination of Miscellaneous Income and License and Permits.

General Fund Expense

Through April the City expended \$13 million or 29.6% of the FY2016 expense budget. Overall Departmental expenses continue to be in-line with the approved budgets with the exception of Fire Overtime. As previously reported, Police Overtime continues to decline compared to last year. Through April, Police overtime is down \$123k compared to the same time frame as last year and is \$36k lower than the FY2016 budget. Fire

overtime is \$59k higher in FY2016 compared to the same timeframe last year and \$67k higher compared to this year's budget. The increase in Fire Overtime is attributed to vacant positions. In addition, 6 Firemen are currently in the academy, once they graduate and are placed into the schedule, Fire Overtime should decline.

In regards to the General Fund contingency, as of April, the contingency account has a balance of \$191,693. We have used \$47k thus far. The \$47k utilized was to cover, \$11.3k for the courthouse project, \$35k to complete the local waterfront revitalization plan and \$12k to purchase additional storage for the police body cameras.

Enterprise Fund Revenue

Through April 2016, the Enterprise Funds (Water, Sewer and Sanitation) generated a combined \$4.3 million in revenue.

Water has generated \$1.5 million or 24.2% of their FY2016 Revenue Budget.

Sewer has generated \$1.2 million or 20.5% of their FY2016 Revenue Budget.

Sanitation has generated \$1.6 million or 47.9% of their FY2016 Revenue Budget.

As a result of the water restrictions imposed on residents, my office has begun an analysis to quantify the lost revenue in both the Water and Sewer Funds.

Enterprise Fund Expense

Through April 2016, Enterprise Funds expended \$3.5 million or 23.6% of their expense budget. All three Enterprise funds are projected to spend within their FY2016 Adopted Budget. My office has established a separate tracking code to document all costs the City encounters as a result of the PSOF chemical found in our water supply.

In regards to contingency funds and the new capital reserve accounts we created:

The Water Fund has a balance of \$175,000 in contingency. We have not had to utilize the contingency account thus far in FY2016. In addition, the new Capital Reserve Account has a balance of \$198,943.

The Sewer Fund has a balance of \$330,000 in contingency. We have not had to utilize the contingency account thus far in FY2016. In addition, the new Capital Reserve Account has a balance of \$155,453.

In regards to the Sanitation Fund, we did not establish a contingency account in FY2016 as part of the Adopted Budget. For the last several years, the City never had a need to utilize this account. We did however, fund the purchase of a new street

sweeper in the FY2016 Budget. The sweeper has been purchased and is currently in use by the Department of Public Works.

Trust and Agency Accounts

- **Misc Donations**
 - CAC (former Shade Tree) - \$845
 - Landlord Registry - \$128,510

- **Public Safety**
 - Police Evidence - \$82,029
 - Federal Seizure - \$14,101
 - State Seizure - \$15,143
 - Police Bicycle - \$552
 - Police Donations - \$187
 - Misc. Fire Dept. - \$59,000
 - Auxiliary Police - \$2,035

- **Recreation**
 - Youth Summit Donations - \$150
 - Misc. Parks and Recreation - \$200

- **Celebrations**
 - Puerto Rican Day - \$80
 - International Festival -\$3,988
 - Fireworks - \$2,635
 - Memorial Day - \$91
 - Trunk or Treat - \$0

PSOF Finance Update

As mentioned above and discussed at last Thursday's work session, my office has established a new set of accounts to track all the costs associated with the PSOF drinking water issue. Thus far the city has expended \$34,075. The expenses include, \$23.5k for contract labor and electrical parts for the Browns Pond Pump Station, \$7,398 in staff overtime and \$3,081 in outside legal fees.

