Collier County Annual Report 2013



## Growth Management Division

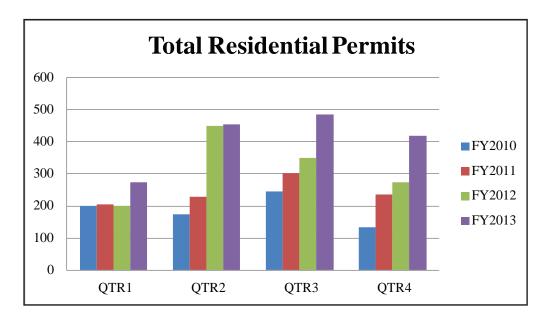
FY2013 Highlights

## Department of Operations and Regulatory Management

• Processed 1,820 addressing petitions; 275 land use petitions; 1,105 driver identifications; 173 certificates to operate; 3,134 county contractor licenses; more than 25,000 permits; performed more than 117,000 inspections; and processed 315 percent more online payment

credit card transactions and more than 188 percent Automated Clearing House transactions over last fiscal year.

• Developed and rolled out the Production Review Team to handle all Insubstantial Change requests to Site Development Plans/Site Improvement Plans, Tree Re-





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moval Permits, and Single Family Lot Stormwater Plans, as well as assumed responsibility for architectural reviews for all building permits and planning projects.

• Assembled a Floodplain Management Team dedicated to providing timely and accurate flood hazard information to county residents to help prevent loss of life and/or property while simultaneously enjoying the natural benefits associated with Collier County's floodplain.

### Department of Planning and Zoning

• Continued to coordinate with the Collier County School District regarding facility planning through the School Working Group.



- Administered the Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) program and processed 2,106 TDR credit certificates
- Assisted in the establishment and implementation of the Hearing Examiner's office.

#### **Engineering Services Department**

- Completed more than 2,500 review events, including Planned Unit Developments, Plats and Plans, Site Development Plans, and Construction Plans, along with amendments and insubstantial changes, with 95 percent of the reviews completed on time.
- Completed 3,779 site drainage inspections; 2,309 landscape inspections; 240 parking inspections; 3,321 erosion/silt inspections; 3,360 invasive exotic plant inspections; 562 well inspections; and viewed 105 sewer videos.
- Secured more than \$2,600,000 for new sidewalks; more than \$395,000 for new bike lanes; \$200,000 for a new Strategic

Highway Safety Plan; more than \$2,840,000 for new Project Development and Environmental studies; and more than \$3,140,000 for new bridges.

#### **Natural Resources Department**

- The Coastal Zone team successfully completed beach renourishment projects ahead of schedule and within the project budget.
- The Environmental Plan Review team met the goal of 90 percent for environmental review times for all project types by increasing its ontime percentage from 78 percent in FY 2012 to 96 percent in FY 2013.
- The Stormwater Planning team coordinated emergency lake pump-down efforts on two lakes with associated collapsing pipe replacements in Pine Ridge Estates, and the coordination of two additional future lake outfall pipe replacements.

# Code Enforcement Department The Code Enforcement Department mission is "To protect the health,





safety and welfare of Collier County residents and visitors through education, cooperation, and compliance." The Department carries out this mission through response to citizen complaints, active patrols, community outreach, and proactive research and response to address and prevent blight.

- Code Enforcement works with affected parties to obtain compliance prior to the initiation of formal enforcement action. This includes educating property owners on code requirements and compliance options. Where these efforts do not result in compliance, and the matter is contested, the Department initiates formal enforcement proceedings.
- Code Enforcement works actively with law enforcement to identify problem areas, and has identified more than 1.000 homes that have been abandoned or, due to their distressed status, pose a threat to the community. The Code Enforcement Department actively monitors, and plays a hands-on role in pursuing code compliance for these properties. The Department also offers several services to the community, including community clean-ups, inter-agency monthly task force meetings, lien searches, code enforcement lien payoff

requests, property inspections, and issuance of garage sale and recreational vehicle permits.

#### **Construction and Maintenance Operations Support**

- Coordinates the annual budget process and works closely with internal partners to carefully review and process operating and capital expenditures for their respective departments. Particular care and attention is given to ensure compliance with all statutory, regulatory, and grant requirements. The team also closely monitors compliance with all contract and purchasing requirements.
- Oversees the implementation of GMD's asset management program and coordinates the identification and collection of the asset data required to effectively manage the several billion dollars worth of GMD assets.

• Staff began a Project Data Management (PDM) initiative that features a GIS-centric approach to the organization, storage, and access to project data. The PDM process uses a number of project phase closeouts to facilitate the organization, storage, and digitization of documents.

#### **Transportation Engineering**

- The Collier and Davis Boulevard Intersection Improvement Project, which increased the number of lanes on Collier Boulevard from four to eight and on Davis Boulevard from two to six, was completed approximately four months ahead of schedule and more than \$2 million under budget.
- Two bridges received major repairs, and five Golden Gate Estates bridges were replaced due to deficiencies in structural integrity.



• Drainage improvements part of the Lely Area Stormwater Improvement Project were completed.

#### **Road Maintenance**

- Maintained 2,709 lane miles of roadways, which are included in the Department's Asset Management System Database; maintained100 miles of landscaped and irrigated medians; resurfaced 77.56 lane miles of pavement, staying within budget; converted 8.212 lane miles of limerock roads to asphalt; resurfaced 4,834 linear feet of asphalt sidewalk; and restriped 240.07 lane miles of roadway, including lane lines, pavement message, stop bars, and raised pavement markers.
- Performed herbicide applications on 180 miles of secondary canals; weekly maintenance on 57 water control structures and weirs, and seven emergency stormwater pumping stations; and dredged and restored 14.11 miles of secondary canals.
- The Right-of-Way Permit section issued 829 permits and performed 3,709 inspections.

