

CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

ReqtoCheckSTAT

Reporting Period: October 15 - November 15

Context

In order to deliver critical services for its citizens—such as constructing roads, rehabilitating homes, or picking up trash—the City often engages with private companies with specialized expertise. Because these and other services are so critical, Mayor Landrieu has made it a priority for vendors to be selected fairly, for contracts to be negotiated expeditiously and in the best interests of New Orleanians, and for vendors to be paid in a timely manner.

What is ReqtoCheckStat?

In order to improve the performance, accountability, and transparency of the City's contracting system, Mayor Landrieu asked the Office of Performance and Accountability to design a performance management program for the entire process of contracting out services—from the requisition of budgeted funds to the issuance of check for services rendered. The result is ReqtoCheckStat, a performance management system where key City officials review data to assess how the City is meetings its goals and to hold departments accountable for their results. ReqtoCheckStat, which takes place monthly, are working meetings, intended to provoke constructive dialogue on what is working, what is not, and what the City needs to do to improve.

Can I participate?

This meetings are open to the public. Members of the public are invited to submit questions, which will be addressed by City officials.

Procurement Process Overview

Contract Contract **Procurement** Requisition **Processing Payment Creation and** / DBE and Approval Routing Department identifies Approved requisition is Contract is reviewed for Department routes Department reviews need, and creates a reviewed by the Bureau of contract materials through form, legality by Law invoice and submits requisition the system in order to Department payment voucher to Purchasing Accounts Payable (AP) to obtain a contract process payment Accounts Payable Requisition to use Requisition is converted to CAO, City Attorney, processes requests and budgeted funds is Purchase Order (PO), Bid Executive Counsel, makes payment approved by different or Request for Proposal Mayor/ Council review offices (RFP), depending upon and approve contract scope of work and dollar amount

^{*}See a more detailed process map on slide 33

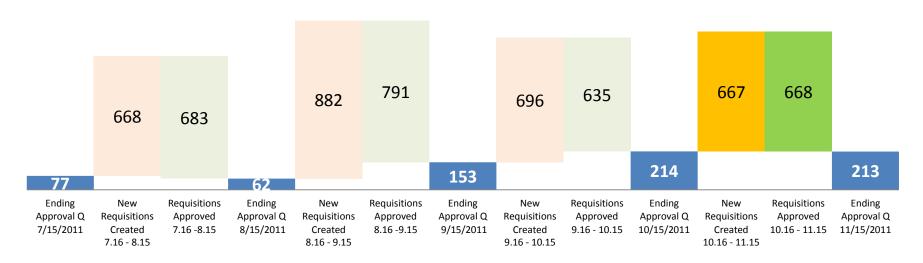
Requisition Approval

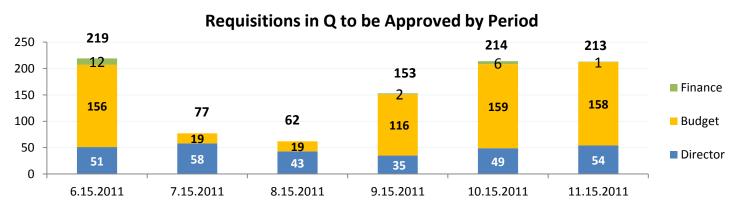
Requisition

- Approval Time of Requisitions
- Requisition Approved and Processed per Period
- Requisition Approval Queue by Approval Level

Approval queue for requisitions remains practically unchanged from the prior period

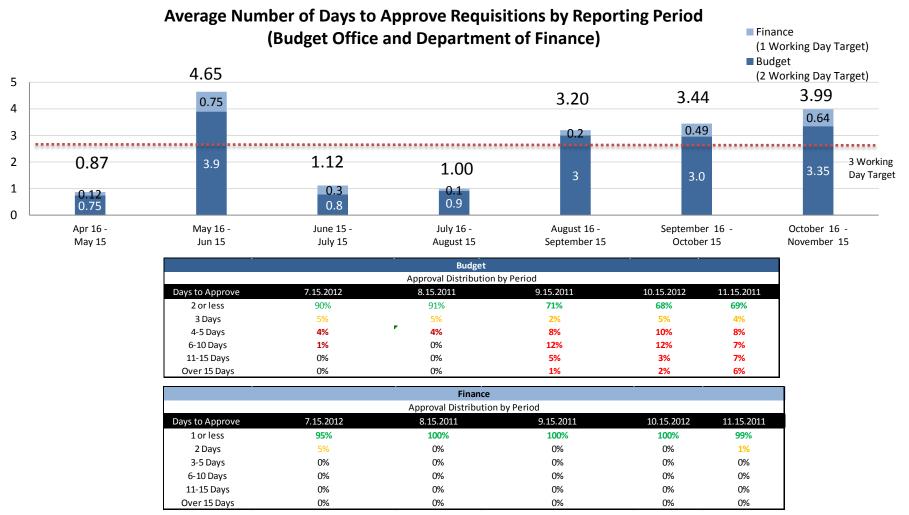
Requisition Approval Queue General Fund for Period Ending 11.15.2011





Source: Obtained from BuySpeed System and evaluated by the Office of Performance and Accountability 11.15.2011

Delay is driven by longer approval times by the Budget Office



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Requisition to Procurement

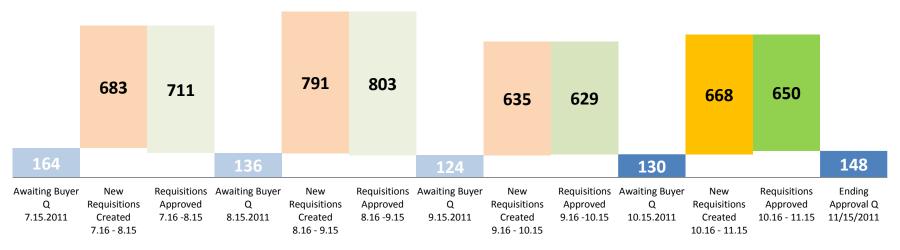
- Processing of Requisition by Bureau of Purchasing
- Status of Requisitions Awaiting Buyer Response
- Status of Requests for Proposals
- Status of Bids

Requisition

DBE Compliance (Preliminary Data)

The number of requisitions in queue waiting to be processed by the Bureau of Purchasing remained practically unchanged

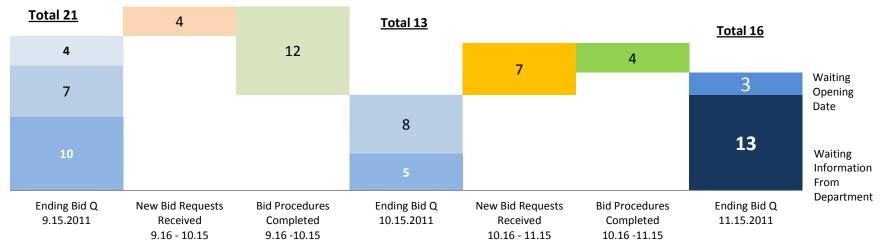
Requisition Awaiting Buyer Processing for Period Ending 11.15.2011

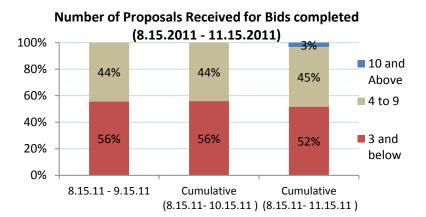


Status of Reqs Awaiting Buyer Proces	sing
11.15.2011	
Status	Count
Complete by 11/20/2011	70
Contract Being Processed	53
Bid or RFP in Process	13
Waiting for Support (Spec or Other)	12
Grand Total	148

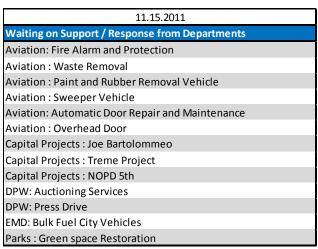
Waiting for Support (Specs or Other)							
Department	Count						
Recreation	2						
Property Mgmt	2						
OIG	2						
Health	2						
Sanitation	1						
Parks & Parkways	1						
Mayor	1						
CAO	1						
Grand Total	12						

The number of Bids in process increased from 13 to 16 as of 11.15.2011. 13 Bids are awaiting information from departments

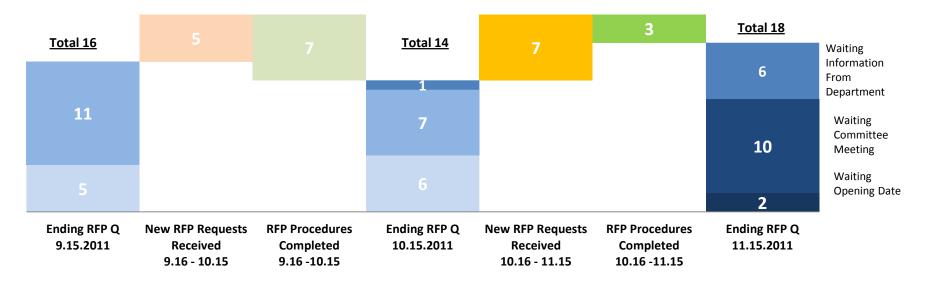


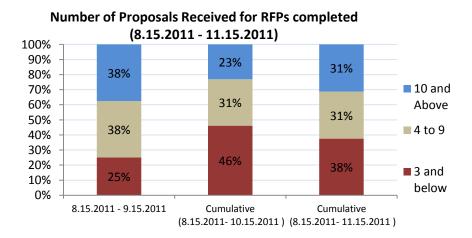


Source: Bureau of Purchasing 11.20.2011



The number of RFPs in process increased from 14 to 18 as of 11.15.2011 10 RFPS are awaiting committee meetings



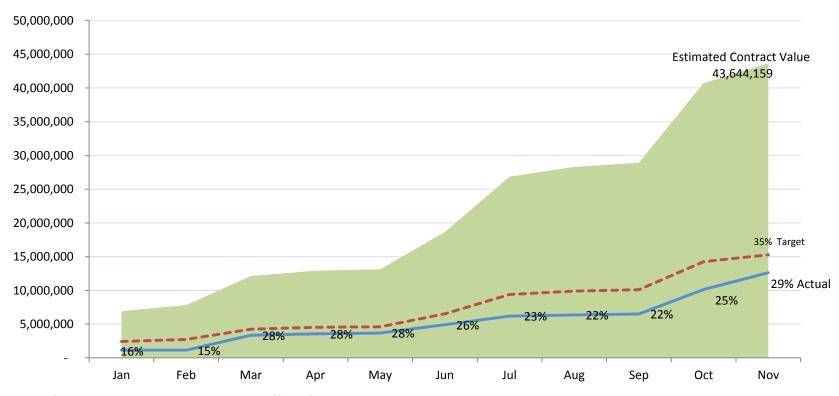


Waiting on Committee Meeting	Opened
Mayor: NO East Redevelopment	10/31/2011
Mayor: Online Auction Service	9/29/2011
Aviation: Financial Consulting Serv.	9/16/2011
Aviation : Local Representation	10/7/2011
Aviation : Public Relations Consulting	10/13/2011
Aviation : Airport Federal Project Auditing Services	10/19/2011
ITI: Permitting Software	10/31/2011
Economic Development : EDF Administrative Services	11/4/2011
Law: Assorted Professional Services	10/20/2011
HR: Payroll, Time & Attendance HR	10/27/2011

Source : Bureau of Purchasing 11.20.2011

The percentage of DBE award value for the period remains under the 35% target (Preliminary Data)

DBE Award for Bids and RFP opened in 2011. Cumulative DBE Percentage by Period Per Estimated Contract Value



Note: Information herein is preliminary. The Office of Supplier Diversity is currently working on finish gathering this data.

Source : Office of Supplier Diversity 11/30/2011

Contract Package Routing

Average Contract Routing Time

Average time to approve contracts being routed remains well below the 4 day target

Average Approval Time of Contracts by Approval Level in Days (by period)



	CAO	Distribution	Approval		
Days to Approve	7.15.2010	8.15.2011	9.15.2011	10.15.2011	11.15.2012
0-1 Days	75%	83%	91%	79%	94%
2- 3 Days	17%	7 %	7%	15%	6%
4-7 Days	6%	8%	0%	6%	0%
Over 8 Days	3%	2%	2%	0%	0%

Days to Appro	7 15 2010	8.15.2011	9/15/2011	10.15.2011	11 15 2012
		3113123			
0-1 Days	89 %	93%	89%	97 %	739
2- 3 Days	8%	7 %	10%	3%	269
4-7 Days	3%	0%	1%	0%	19
Over 8 Days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

	Finance Distribution Approval									
Days to Approve	7.15.2010	8.15.2011	9/15/2011	10.15.2011	11.15.2012					
0-1 Days	91%	90%	95%	100%	98%					
2- 3 Days	9%	8%	4%	0%	2%					
4-7 Days	0%	2%	1%	0%	0%					
Over 8 Days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%					

	Bureau of P	urchasing I	Distribution	Approval	
Days to Appro	7.15.2010	8.15.2011	9.15.2011	10.15.2011	11.15.2012
0-1 Days	67%	93%	86%	94%	96%
2- 3 Days	27%	5%	13%	5%	4%
4-7 Days	6%	2%	1%	1%	0%
Over 8 Days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Source: ECMS 11.15.2011

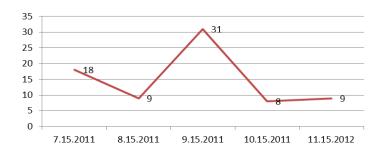
Contract Approval Process

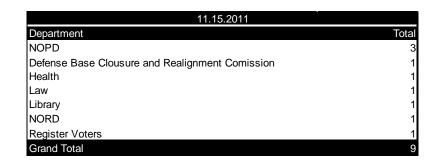
- Contract Rejections
- Contract Processing and Approval

Requisition Procurement / DBE Contract Creation and Routing Contract Processing and Approval Payment

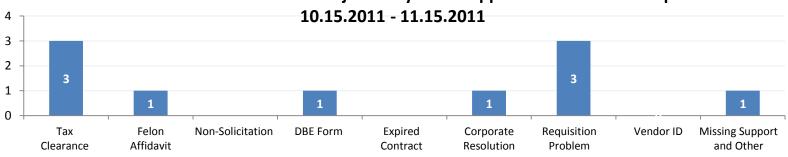
Number of contracts rejected/returned during the period remain under 10

Contracts Returned / Rejected by Approval Level or Law Department by Period (in units)





Reasons for Contracts Returned or Rejected by Either Approval Level or Law Department



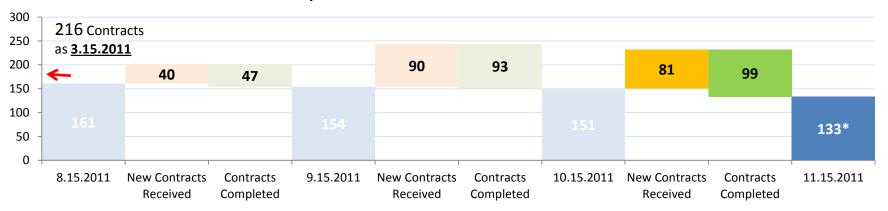
Note: 9 items were rejected during the period. However, the rejections were the result of multiple reasons.

Source : Law Department 11.15.2011 and ECMS System

Contracts : All Contracts in Process as of 11.15.2011

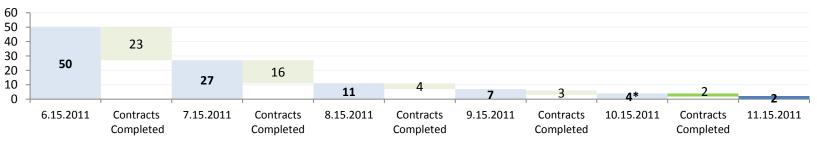
(Legal Review, CAO, City Attorney, Executive Counsel, Mayor/Council Approval)

All Contracts in process decreased to 133 from 151 or a 11% decrease



^{*} The 133 tally includes all contracts in process and contract requests awaiting the Law Departments routing approval. Prior periods did not include contracts awaiting Law Department's routing approval. If those items are taken out of the tally, the number would total 127 contracts.

2 Contracts received <u>before</u> 4.12.2011 are still going through the review process as of 11.15.2011 (in units)



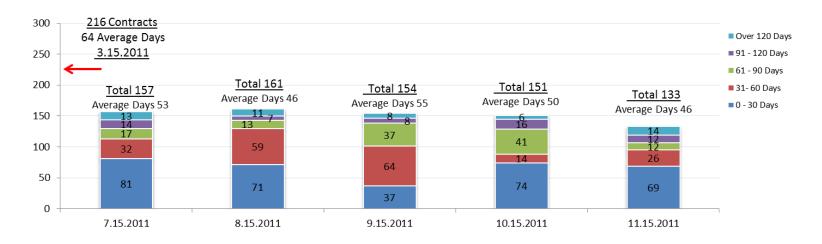
^{*}The previous reporting period presented erroneously that only 3 contracts before 4.12 were outstanding. The correct number should have been 4

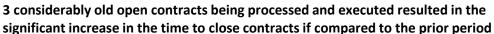
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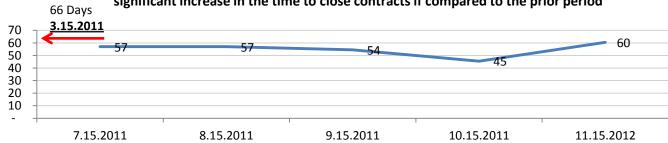
Contracts: All Contracts in Process as of 11.15.2011

(Legal Review, CAO, City Attorney, Executive Counsel, Mayor/Council Approval)

The average age of contracts awaiting processing is 46 days





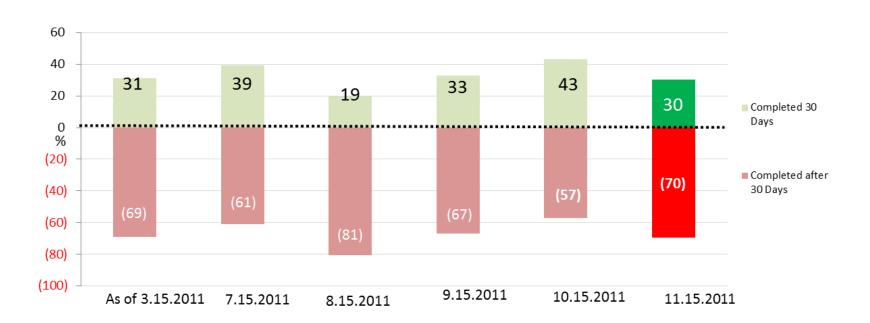


Source: Law Department 11.15.2011 and ECMS System

Contracts: All Contracts Closed between 10.16.2011 and 11.15.2011

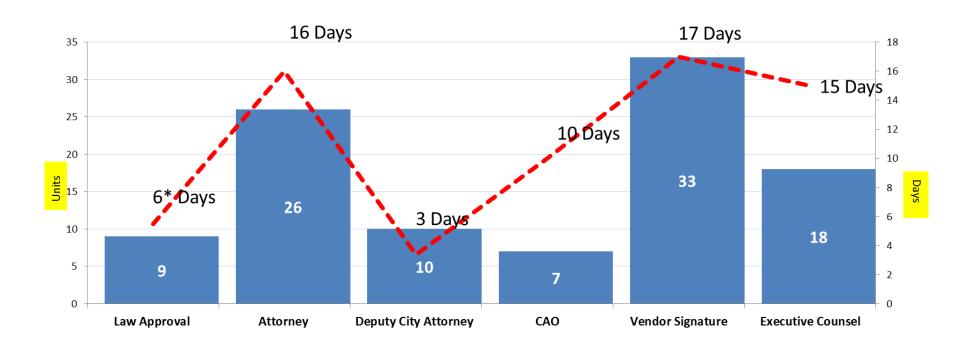
(Legal Review, CAO, City Attorney, Executive Counsel, Mayor/Council Approval)

30% of <u>all</u> contracts closed during the period were completed in 30 days or less, compared to 43% in the prior period



Source: Law Department 11.15.2011 and ECMS System

Of the 103 contracts in ECMS, 33 (or 32%) are awaiting vendor signature as of as of 11.15.2011 and have been waiting on average 17 days since they arrived to this stage



Source: ECMS System 11.15.2011

The check: Accounts payable

General Fund Payments

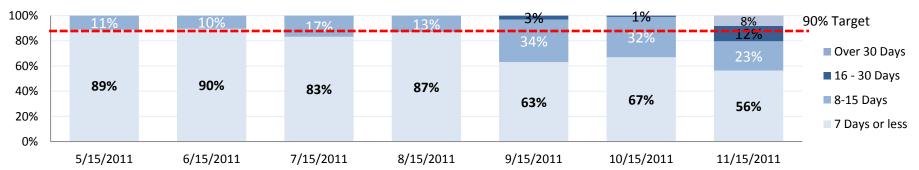
Requisition

- Processing by Accounts Payable
- Payment from Invoice Date
- Capital and Grants Expenditure Payments
 - Processing by Accounts Payable
 - Payment from Invoice Date
 - Detail Review (invoices in the pipeline)
 - CDBG Invoice Payments
 - DPW Payments
 - DPW Revolver Payments
 - Capital Projects Payments
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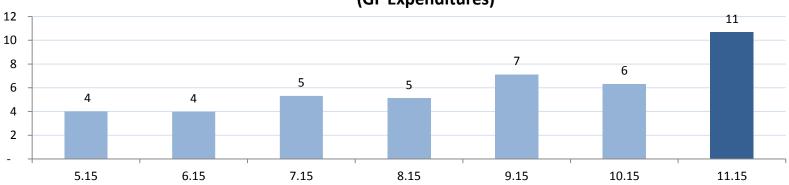
The percentage of General Fund (and agency) payments processed in 7 days or less decreased to 56%.

Working Days to Process General Funds and Agencies Check Payments by A/P Office for periods ending 5.15.2011 to 11.15.2011 (in %)

Sample 270 selections 95% confidence level +-5



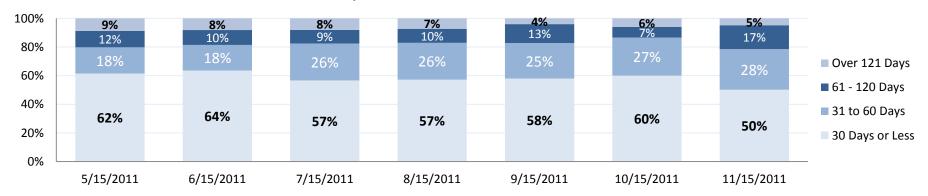
Average Number of Days to Process Invoices by A/P Department (GF Expenditures)



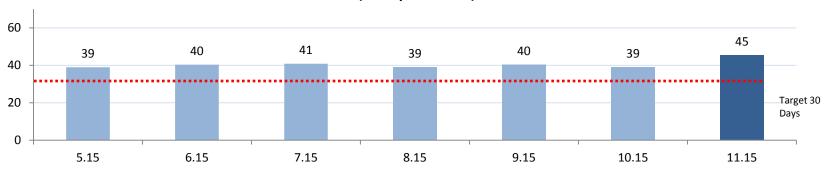
The percentage of General Fund (and agency) payments in 30 days or less increased marginally from the prior period

Percentage of Payments in Days From Invoice Date to Payment for General Fund (or Agency) Expenditures for Periods Ending 5.15.2011 to 11.15.2011 (in %)

Sample 270 selections 95% confidence level +-5



Average Number of Days to Pay Invoices From Invoice Date (GF Expenditures)



General Fund and Agencies: Multiple reasons appear to be the cause of invoices being paid in more than 60 days from invoice date

		Over 60 days From Invo	oice Date Payments from Sam	ple		
Department	Dispute with the vendor	Goods were received later / Services were not rendered / Invoice not received timely	Invoice was not processed timely /Invoice was misplaced	Contract was being processed	Other (Explain)	Total From Sample
NORDC	2	1	1			4
Coroner					3(***)	3
Economic Development		1	2			3
EMS		1			2(**)	3
Mosquito	(*)		(*)	1		3
Total						

^(*) Dispute with the vendor regarding wrong invoice or PO. Also, department did not reach out to vendor regarding the problem in a timely fashion

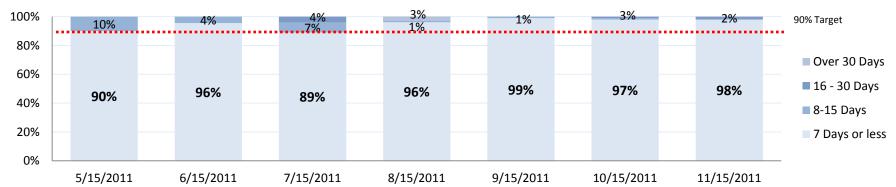
^(**) Invoice date precedes requisition date and PO date.

^(***) Payments could not be processed as funding for payment was not available

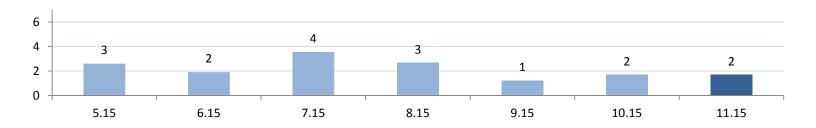
The percentage of capital and grant payments processed in 7 days or less remains at over 95%

Working Days to Process Capital Expenditures and Grants Check Payments by A/P Office for periods ending 5.15.2011 to 11.15.2011 (in %)

Sample 100 selections 90% confidence level +--10



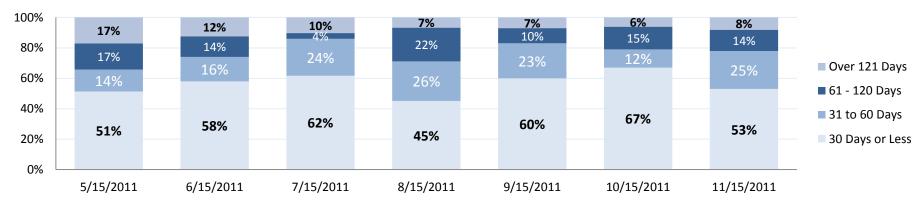
Average Number of Days to Process Invoices by A/P Department (Capital and Grant Expenditures)



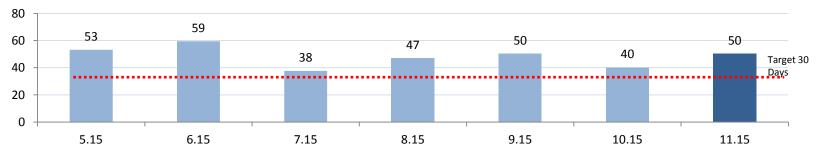
The Percentage of capital and grant payments made in 30 days or less from invoice date decreased to 53% from 67% in the prior period

Percentage of Payments in Days From Invoice Date to Payment for Capital and Grant Expenditures for Periods Ending 5.15.2011 to 11.15.2011 (in %)

Sample 100 selections 90% confidence level +-10



Average Number of Days to Pay Invoices From Invoice Date (Capital and Grant Expenditures)



Capital and Grant Expenditures: A significant portion of payments made over 60 days from invoice date were the result of disputes with the vendor and invoices not being processed in a timely fashion

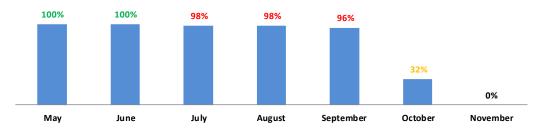
		Over 60 days From Invo	Dice Date Payments from Sam	nple		
Department	Dispute with the vendor	Goods were received later / Services were not rendered / Invoice not received timely	Invoice was not processed timely /Invoice was misplaced	Contract was being processed	Other (Explain)	Total From Sample
DPW	5	2				7
Health		1	4		1(*)	6
Capital Projects	3	1				4
Total						

^(*) Payments could not be processed as notice of grant award was delayed

Requisition Procurement / DBE Contract Creation and Routing Contract Processing and Approval Payment

A number of old CDBG invoices remain unpaid because of vendor disputes and contracts currently being processed

Invoices Paid as a % of Invoices Received per Month as of 11.15.2011 (invoices received during the month) Avg 84 invoices per Mon



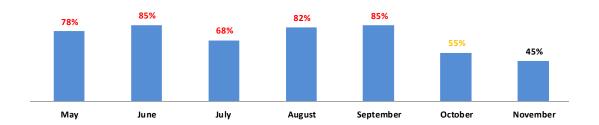
	Location of Invoices that Remain Outstanding							
Process	Before May	May	June	July	August	September	October	November
PM to Owning Department			•	1	1	3	1	1
Owning Dep. Review and Approval	1							
Owning Dep. To Accounting	1				1		1	2
Approved by Accounting							3	12
Accounting to OCD Fiscal Unit								
OCD Fiscal to State Consultant							1	16
State Consultant to State DRU								
State DRU to State Finance							7	20
State Finance to City's Account							19	3
Payment Clears City Bank							23	
Vendor Paid	3							

Reasons for Delay						
Dispute with the vendor	2			1		
Goods Received at a Later date later / Services						
were not rendered						
Invoice was misplaced / Not processed timely						
Contract being processed			1		3	
Other				1		
Paid	3					

Over 60 days Over 30 days

A significant number of DPW invoices received over 60 days ago remain unpaid. Most of these exceptions are the result of contracts currently being processed

Invoices Paid as a % of Invoices Received per Month as of 11.15.2011 (invoices received during the month) Avg 20 invoices per Mon



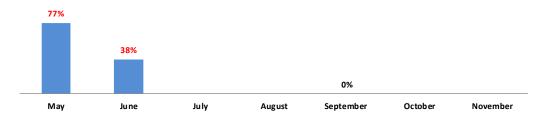
Location of Invoices that Remain Outstanding										
Process	Before May	May	June	July	August	September	October	November		
DPW to PM										
PM to Approve	6	3		3	3	2	1	1		
PM Approval to DPW Fiscal	10	2	2	1			3			
DPW Fiscal to Create Receiver	7		2	2		1	6	5		
Receiver Creation to Finance										
City to Cut Check										
City Check to be Release										

Reasons for Delay							
Dispute with the vendor							
Goods Received at a Later date later / Services							
were not rendered							
Invoice was misplaced / Not processed timely							
Contract being processed	9	3	2	5	3	2	
Other							
Plan Change Needed						1	
Paid	14	2	2	1			

Information obtained from Quickbase (DPW Department) 11.19.2011

A few DPW invoices paid through the <u>revolver</u> remain unpaid

Invoices Paid as a % of Invoices Received per Month as of 11.15.2011 (invoices received during the month) Avg 11invoices per Mon



Location of Invoices that Remain Outstanding										
Process	Before May	May	June	July	August	September	October	November		
DRC Receipt to Transmittal to DPW										
Transmittal to DPW to Receipt in DPW		-								
Receipt in DPW to Project Manager										
PM to Approve										
PM to Approve to DPW Fiscal										
DPW Fiscal to Create Receiver	1	2	1							
Receiver Creation to DPW Approval										
DPW Approval to Finance		3	4			3				
Finance to Receive										
Finance to Send to State										
State to Send to Hancock Bank										
Hancock Bank to Send Check Copy										

Reasons for Delay

Dispute with the vendor

Goods Received at a Later date later / Services
were not rendered
Invoice was misplaced / Not processed timely

Contract being processed

Other

Paid

1 3 4 3

Only 2 of the total drainage point repair invoices are reflected herein "Other Category".

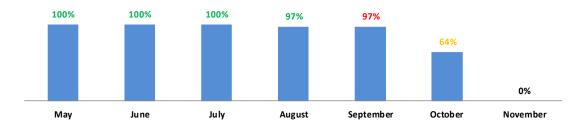
Project cost overruns have surpassed the FEMA obligated amount. DPW is working diligently with FEMA to increase the PW obligated amount in order to process these payments.

Information obtained from Quickbase (DPW Department) 11.19.2011

Over 60 days

Capital Projects maintains good track record of paying invoices on time.

Invoices Paid as a % of Invoices Received per Month as of 11.15.2011 (invoices received during the month) Avg 28 invoices Mon.

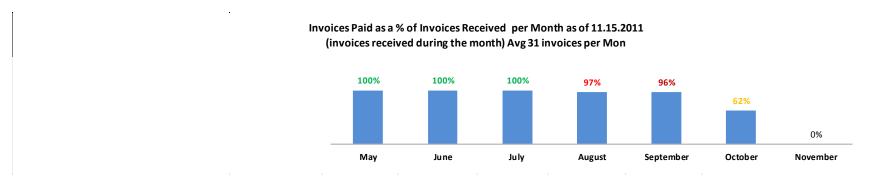


Location of Invoices that Remain Outstanding								
Process Step	Before May	May	June	July	August	September	October	November
PM To Approve			•	·				
CPA to Create Receiver								
CPA to Finance								
Finance to Receive								
City to Cut Check					1	1	4	6
City Check Cut to Release							10	4
Reasons for Delay								
Dispute with the vendor								
Goods Received at a Later date later / Services were not rendered								
Invoice was misplaced / Not processed timely						1		
Contract being processed			I		1	1	1	1
Contract being processed								

Information obtained from Quickbase (Capital Projects Department) 11.19.2011

Paid

Capital Projects invoices paid through the <u>revolver</u> have been paid on time with the exception of a few outliers due to disputes with the vendor



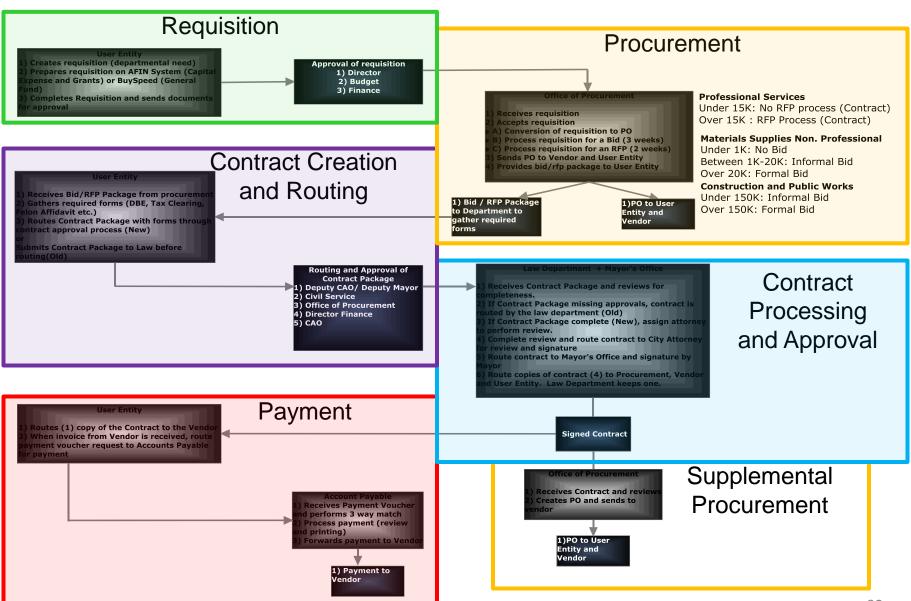
Location of Invoices that Remain Outstanding									
Process	Before May	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	
PM To Approve	3								
CPA to Create Receiver									
CPA to Finance	1								
Finance to Receive									
Finance to Send State	2							4	
State to Send to Hancock Bank					1	1	8	15	
Hancock Bank to Send Check Copy									

Over	
30	
days	

Reasons for Delay					
Dispute with the vendor	6				
Goods Received at a Later date later / Services					
were not rendered					
Invoice was misplaced / Not processed timely					
Contract being processed					
Other					
Paid			1	1	

Procurement Process Map/City of New Orleans

* Note map is not all inclusive. It provides guidance of the general process



Evaluation Form

Are you a city employee or a member of the public?

On a scale 1-5, how useful was this meeting to you (1= least useful and 5= most useful)?

What's working?

What's not working?