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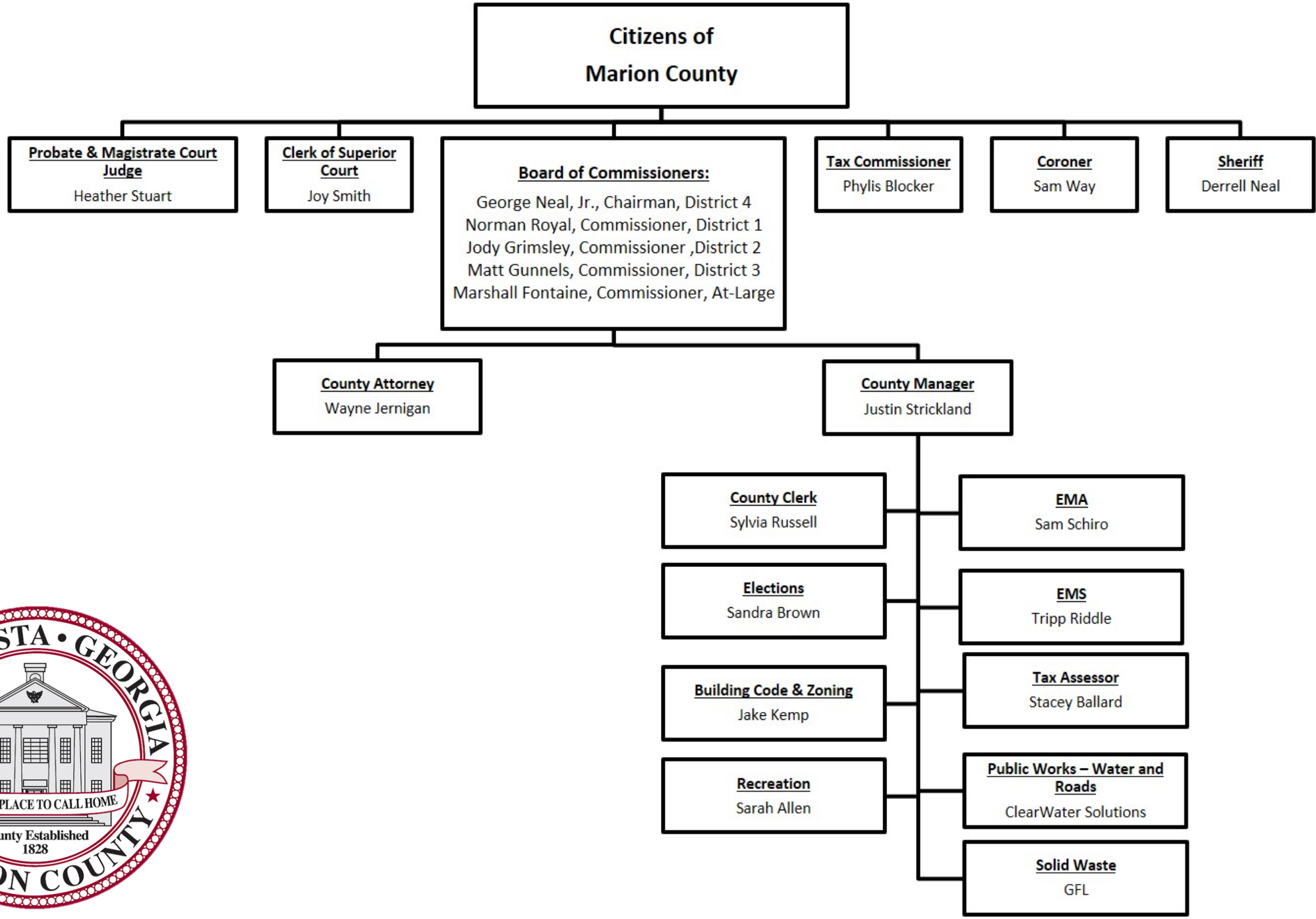
February 2021

The mission of Marion County Government is to provide quality public services in a timely and competent manner, and to work with the cooperation of the community and other local government units to create a vibrant and healthy physical, social and economic environment.

County services shall be provided in a fair, respectful and professional manner consistent with available human, natural and economic resources.

- County mission statement





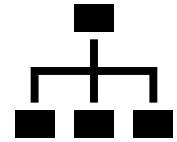
Board of Commissioners



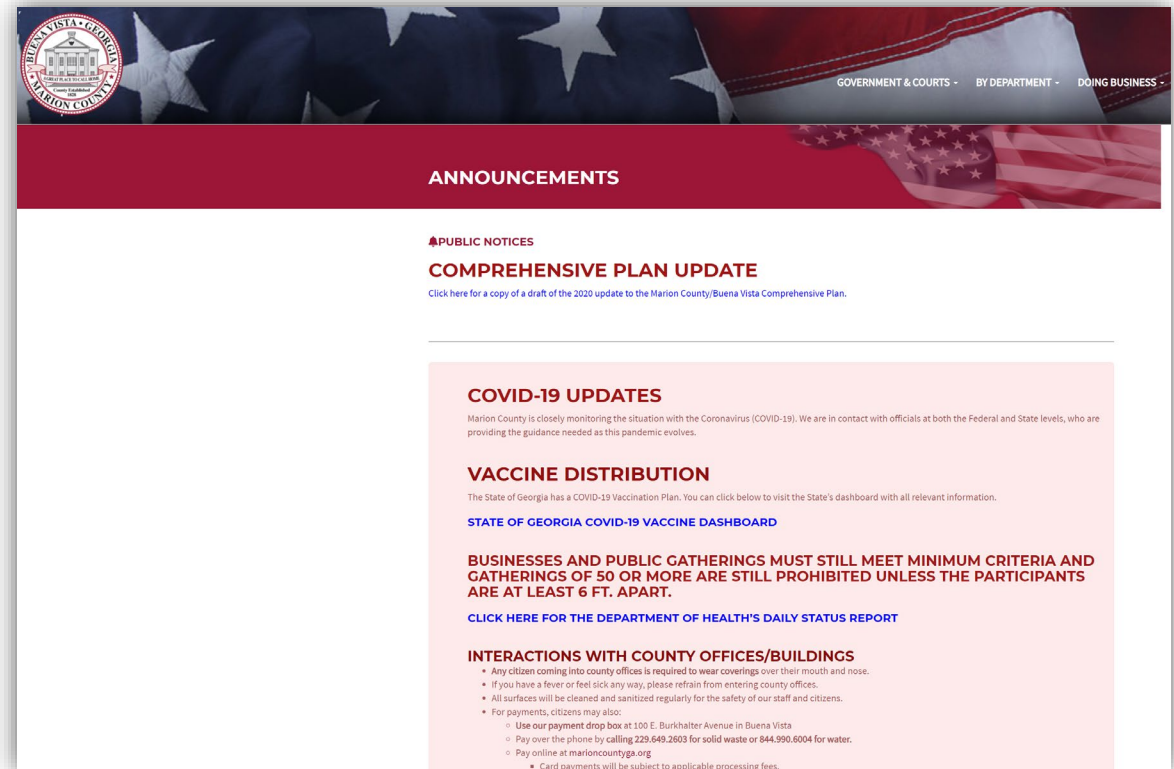
- Regular Meeting Time
 - 5:00 p.m. (unless otherwise noted)
 - 2nd Tuesday Each Month
 - County Annex Building Conference Room
 - 100 E Burkhalter Buena Vista, Ga 31803
- Members
 - Chairman George Neal (District 4)
 - Vice-Chairman Norman Royal (District 1)
 - Commissioner Jody Grimsley (District 2)
 - Commissioner Matt Gunnels (District 3)
 - Commissioner Marshall Fontaine (At-Large)



Administration



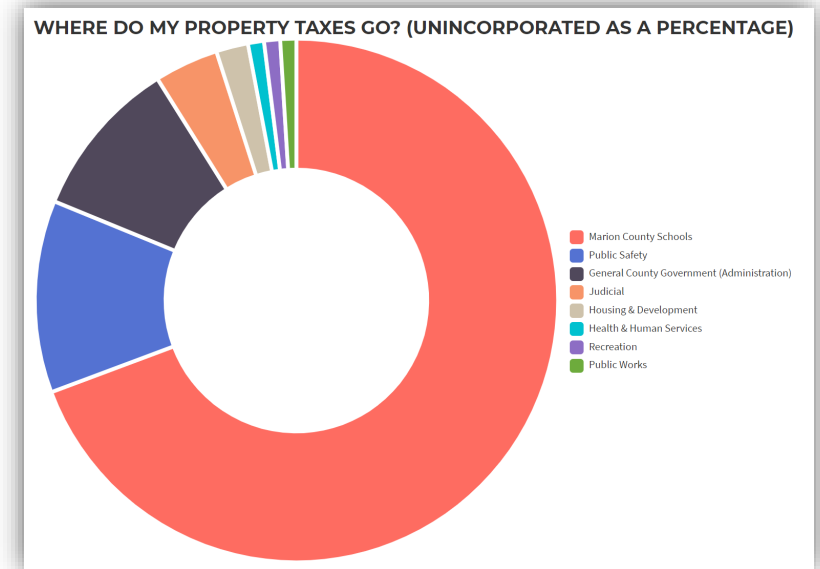
- County Manager
 - Justin Strickland
- County Clerk
 - Sylvia Russell
- 2021 Updates
 - Website Updates
 - Online Payments for Water & Taxes
 - Announcement Page
 - Online Applications
 - Online Purchasing & Bidding System
 - Expanded Finance Resources
 - New Phone & Internet System
 - New Fuel Tracking System
 - New Internal Policies
 - Finance Rules & Regulations
 - Personnel Handbook
 - Reorganized Entire Financial System
 - 2021 Distinguished Budget Award - Application
 - Qpublic – Tax Assessor Records – Free to the Public on 02/01/21
 - Plan to review and update County Code Book in 2021



Finance

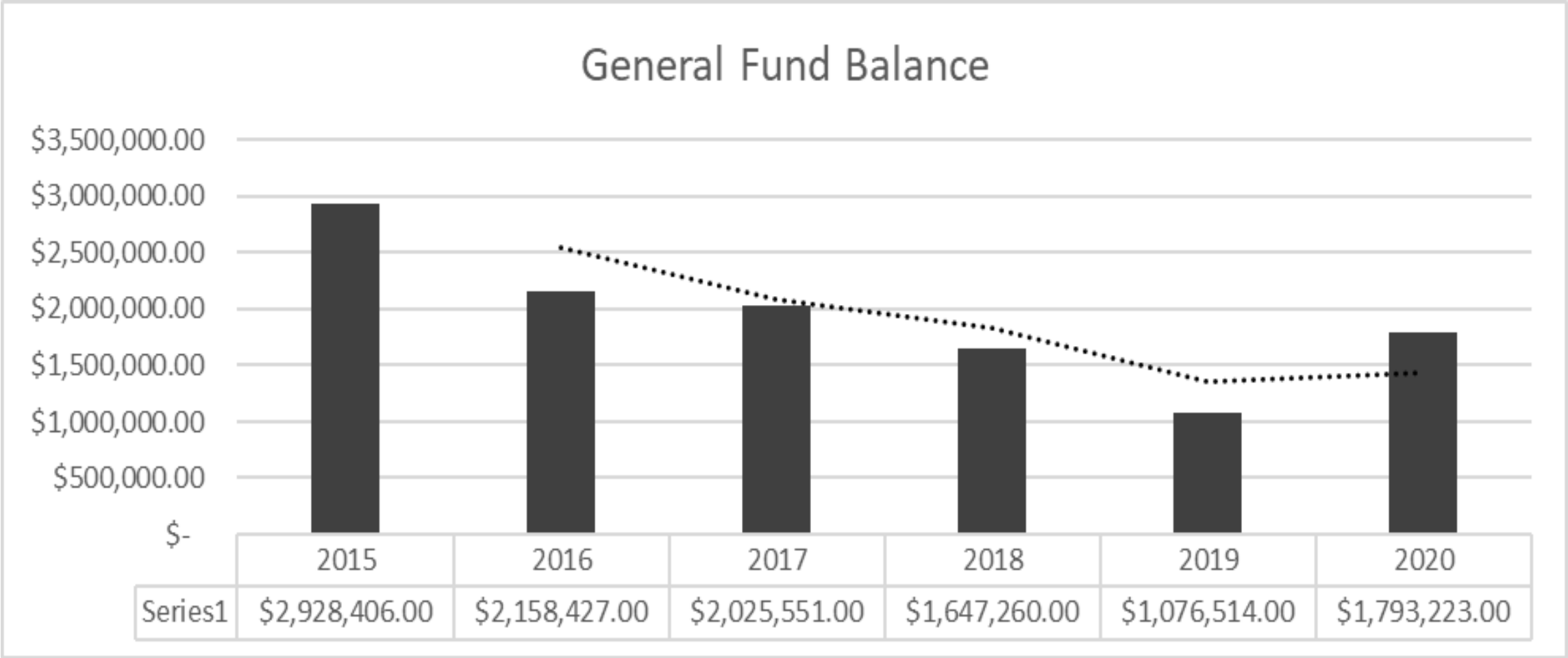


- General Fund
 - No Property Tax Increase in 2020
 - Received CARES Funding to offset Public Safety Salaries
 - Solved Deficit Issue by moving Roads Operations to TSPLOST
- Water Fund
 - Refunded Water Revenue Bonds
 - Savings of \$591,317.31
 - Continues to Grow
- Sales Tax
 - LOST, SPLOST, T-SPLOST, & E-SPLOST
 - Steady Growth in Sales Tax Revenue during 2020
 - SPLOST & LOST growth of 25% over 2019
 - Highest Monthly Collections ever in 2020
 - SPLOST VI Referendum Passed 11/05/20
 - Projects for Roads, Water, EMS, Public Safety, and Public Buildings
- 2021 Budget
 - \$6.77 Million – Governmentwide



General Fund

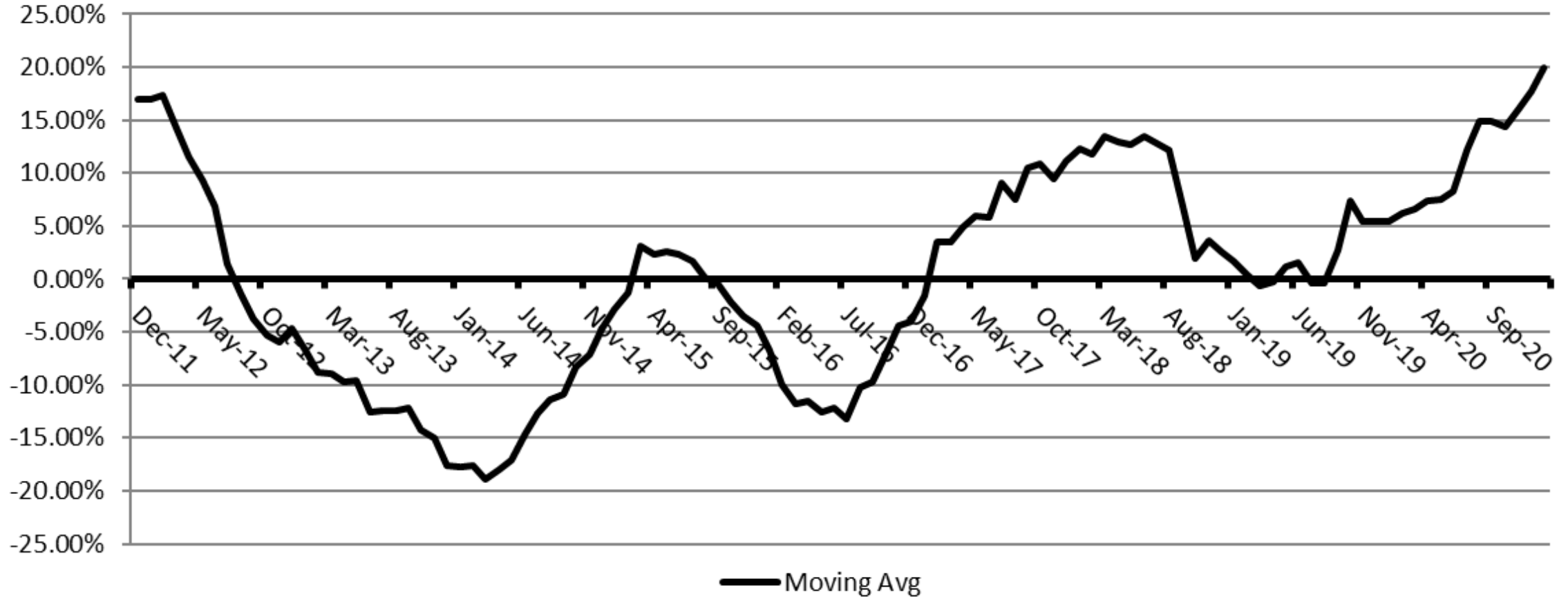
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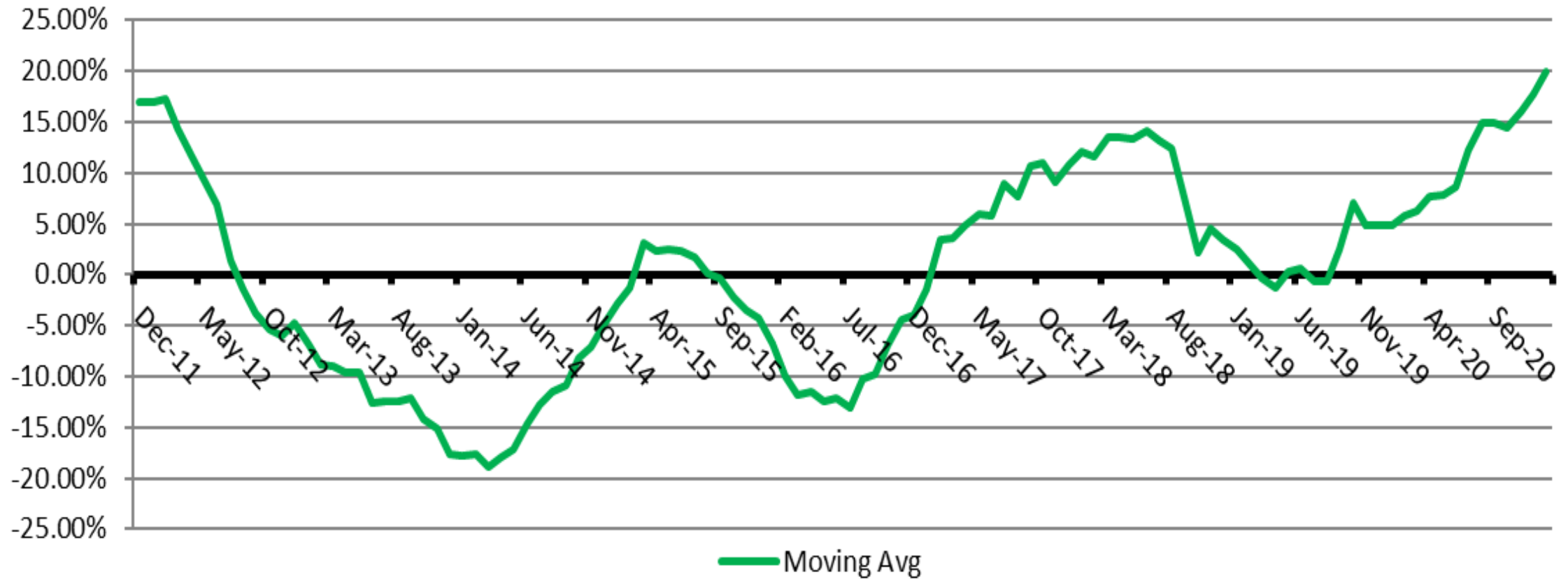
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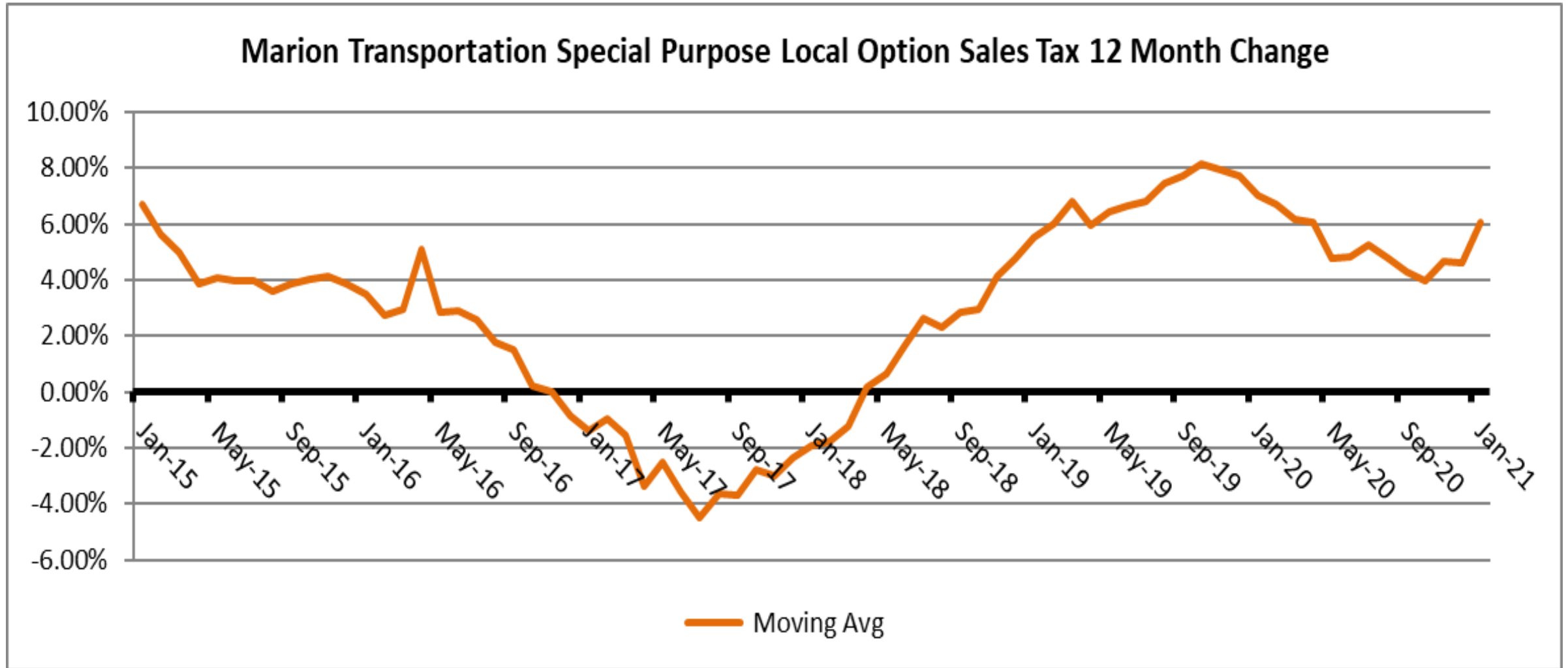
Marion Local Option Sales Tax 12 Month Percentage Growth



Marion Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax 12 Month Percentage Growth



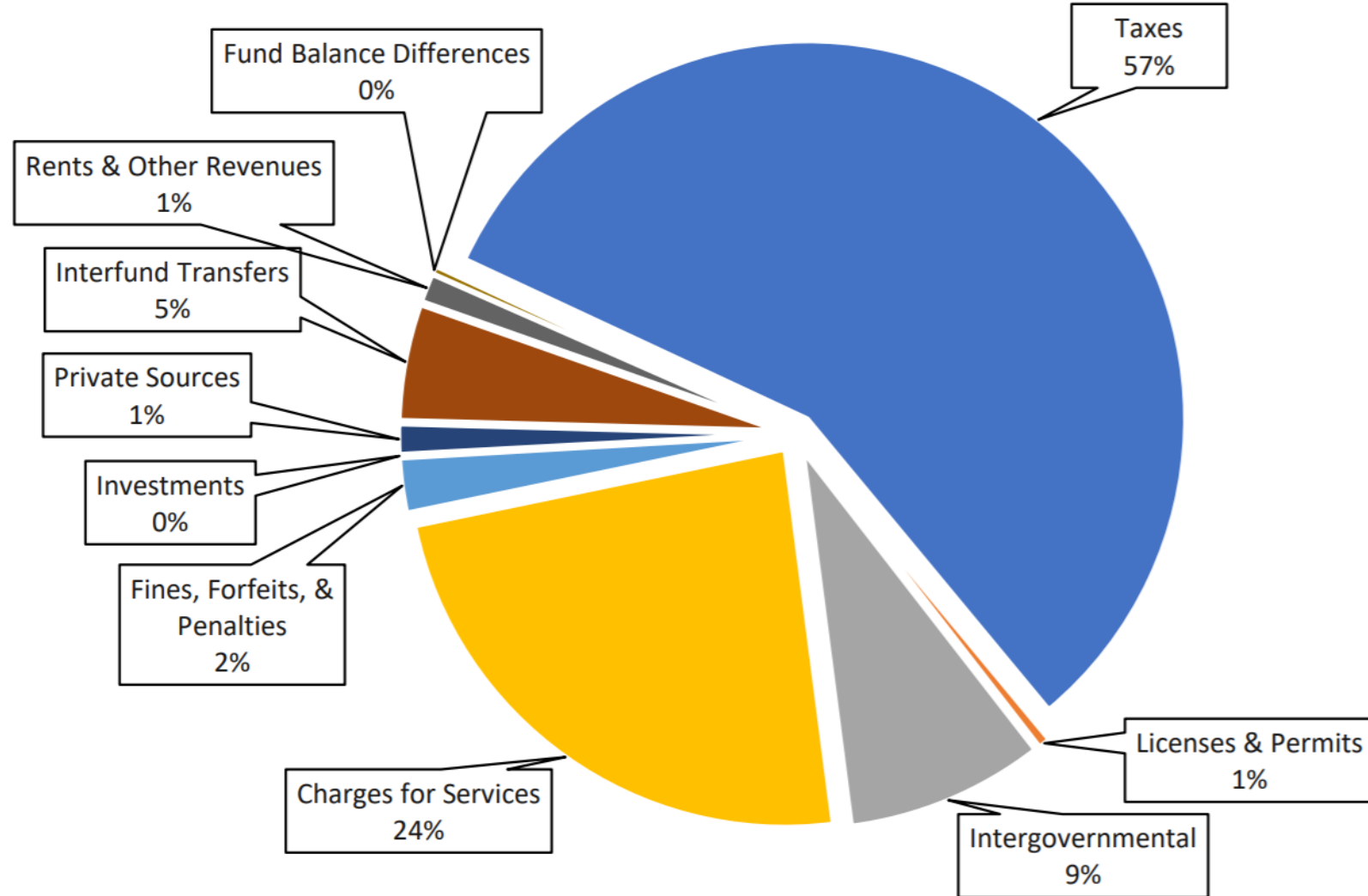
TSPLOST



2021 Budget



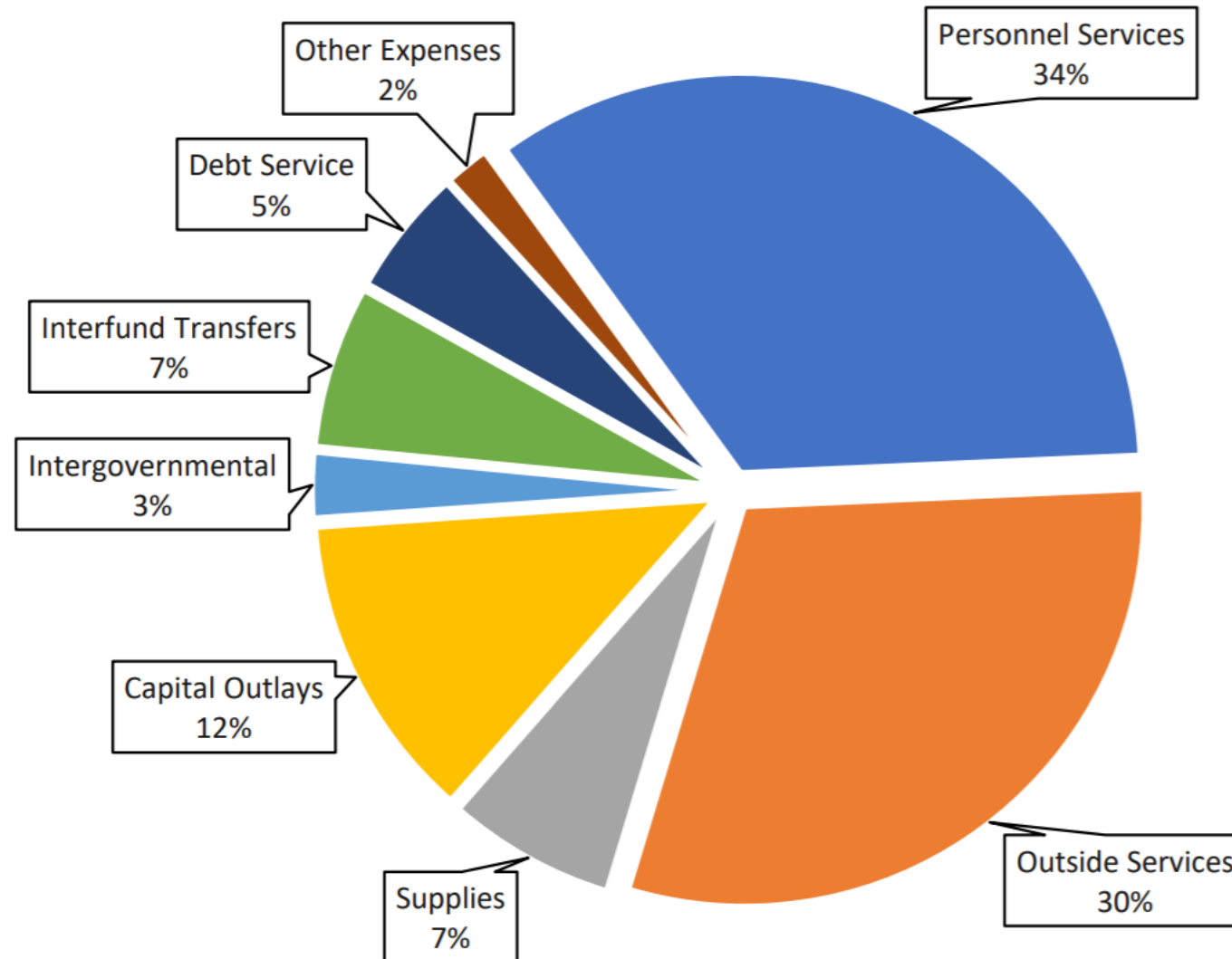
Countywide Revenues - 2021 Budgeted



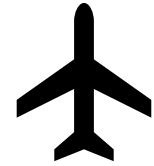
2021 Budget

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Countywide Expenses - 2021 Budgeted



Airport



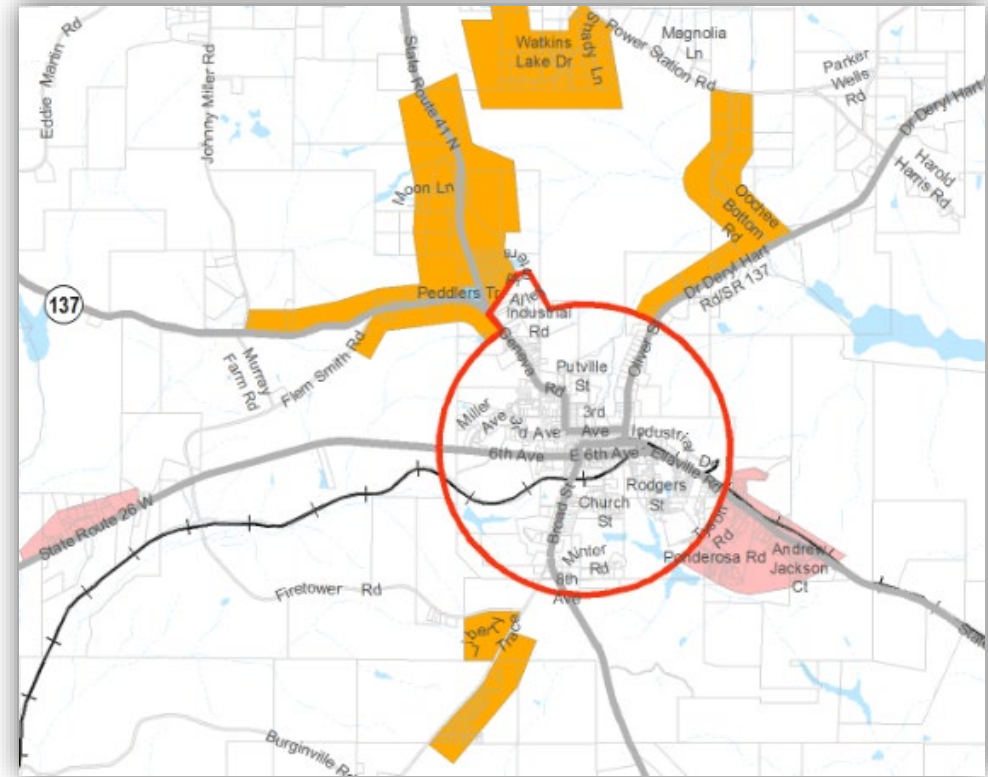
- Phase II Almost Complete
 - Fuel Farm
 - Avgas Sales 24/7
 - Apron Area
 - Tiedowns
 - Partial Taxiway
 - Potential for Hangars
 - Two developments under contract
 - Electric, Water, and Sewage
 - Rotating Beacon
- Started Airport Fund



Building and Zoning



- Building Official
 - Jake Kemp
- 2020 Totals
 - 377 Permits Issued
 - 41.1% increase over 2019
 - 17 Violation Notices Sent
 - 47.1% increase over 2019
 - 38 Animal Control Work Orders
 - 0.0% increase over 2019
 - 2 Zoning Requests
 - 60.0% decrease over 2019
- 2021 Focus
 - Hunting Camp Enforcement
 - Violation Enforcement
 - Quality and Objective Code Enforcement
 - Quality and Objective Inspections
 - Excellent Customer Service



Courthouse



- Completed Projects
 - New Clocktower Roof
 - New Shingled Roof
 - New Courtroom Carpet
 - Landscaped Lawn
- Planned Projects
 - Exterior Paint/Fascia Wood
 - Replace Courtroom Ceiling
 - Paint Courtroom
 - Resurface Parking Lot
 - Electrical Evaluation
 - HVAC Evaluation
 - Convert to LED Lights



Coroner



- Coroner
 - Sam Way
- 2020 Totals
 - 34 Death Investigations
 - 5.9% increase over 2019
- New Equipment
 - Dedicated Coroner Van
 - New Laptop
 - New Camera

Elections



- Elections Supervisor
 - Sandra Brown
- New Voting Equipment
 - Digital and Paper
- State Grant
 - Security for Office
 - Dropbox
 - Cameras
 - Security at Precincts
 - New storage cages
 - Bars on windows
 - Metal doors
 - Updates to Precincts
 - New Voting Booths
 - New Tables and Chairs
 - Paint & Awning
- Smooth 2020 Election Cycle factoring in Covid-19
 - 5,042 Registered Voters in Marion County



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Emergency Management



- Director
 - Sam Schiro
- Programs
 - County Safety Program
- COVID-19 Response
 - Website and Social Media updates
 - Mandating masks in government buildings
 - Regular updates from DPH, schools, etc.
- New Equipment
 - Two Thermal Imaging Devices
 - Two 30 KW Generators
- New Emergency Alert System
 - CodeRED
 - 6,542 registered for alerts
 - <https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/BFF19578E8A5>



EMS



- Director
 - Tripp Riddle
- Staff
 - 15 Paramedics (5 Full Time)
 - 6 EMTs (1 Full Time)
- 2020 Totals
 - 1,128 Responded Incidents
 - 8.6% increase over 2019
- New Vehicles & Equipment
 - Ambulance –SPLOST & in collaboration with the Hospital Authority
 - Lucas (CPR) Device – Grant from the Hospital Authority
 - 2 New Toughbooks - SPLOST



Fire



- County Liaison
 - Shaun Raulston
- 2020 Totals
 - 106 Responded Structure Fires
 - 53.8% increase over 2019
 - 164 Responded Non-Structure Fires
 - 31.1% increase over 2019
- Volunteer Departments
 - Regular Cross Department Meetings and Training
 - New Firefighter class being offered in 2021
 - Average County ISO Rating
 - 5.71
 - 3 Departments with ISO of 5 or below
- New Equipment
 - Digital Radios for All Departments & Personnel - SPLOST



Public Works – Water



- Manager
 - Morris Andrews
- 2020 Totals
 - 425 Locates
 - 17.9% increase over 2019
 - 26 New Meters
 - 30.8% increase over 2019
 - 696 Work Order Completed
 - 9.1% increase over 2019
 - 150 Leaks Repaired
 - 9.6 decrease over 2019
- Projects & Infrastructure
 - Rehabilitation of South Water Tower – SPLOST
 - Meter Replacement Program – SPLOST
 - New Tool Body Truck - SPLOST



Public Works - Roads



- 2020 Totals
 - 1,390 Miles of Dirt Road Graded
 - 3.5% decrease over 2019
 - 128 Work Orders Completed
 - 8.6% decrease over 2019
 - 951 Miles of Grass Cut
 - 33.4% decrease over 2019
 - 13 Culverts Installed
 - 7.7% increase over 2019
- 2020 Completed Projects
 - JP Hudson Road
 - Firetower Road
 - Jim Allen Road
 - Patching of Buffalo Road
 - Rehabilitation of County Line Road
 - Milling of Burginville Road
- New Equipment
 - Front End Loader





JP Hudson Road Before & After

Sheriff



- Sheriff
 - Derrell Neal
- 2020 Totals
 - 4,496 Responded Incidents
 - 4.6% increase over 2019
 - 263 Inmates Housed
 - 22.0% decrease over 2019
- Jail Completed Projects
 - Solar Generator Survey - GEFA
- New Equipment
 - Patrol Vehicle
 - Sanitizing Misting Machine





Recreation

- Director
 - Sarah Allen
- 2020 Programs
 - Spring Sports canceled due to COVID-19
 - New Tennis Program in the Fall
 - 17 Participants
- New Recreation Facilities
 - \$1-2 Million Project
 - Centrally located site away from Airport
 - New fields, walking trail, and gym
 - Planning to apply for grants through the Department of Natural Resources
 - New Recreation Capital Improvement Fund



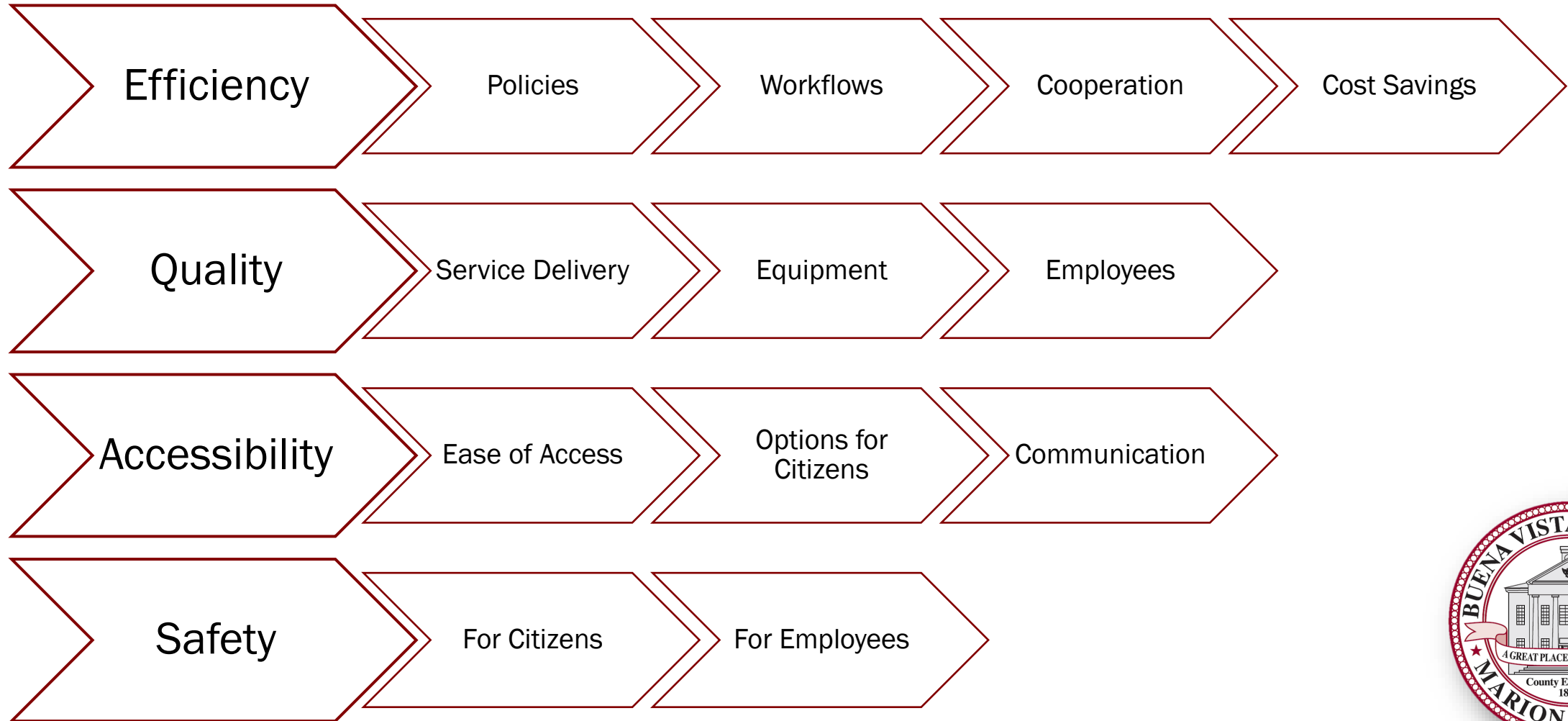
Solid Waste



- Company
 - GFL (Green For Life/Transwaste)
- 2020 Totals
 - 2,374 Tons of Curbside Garbage Collected
 - 6.9% increase over 2019
- Marion Dumpsite
 - Added Security Cameras
 - New Signage
- 2021 Projects
 - Dumpsite: Build up ground and add millings beside containers for easy citizen unload
 - Dumpsite: Add guard rail/pylons between vehicles and containers
 - New GFL Trash Truck for Residential Pickup



Forward Thinking Decision Drivers



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