DEPARTMENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

The Department of Weights & Measures mission is that of ensuring equity in the marketplace for both merchants and consumers. The department is responsible for the testing and inspection of all commercial weighing and measuring devices, enforcing the City Ordinance regarding taxicab operations, enforcing the City Weights and Measures Ordinance, and enforcing State Codes governing Weights and Measures.

The principal duty of our Department is to test, certify, and seal correct devices, or order correction of and/or condemn or confiscate faulty devices or commodities offered for sale by weight or count. Our department is also involved in the licensing of taxi drivers, and assuring compliance with vehicle regulations for taxicab permits.

In our 2010-2011 reporting year, 29,834 inspections were performed. Specialized equipment, personnel, and efficient use of resources have all played a roll in the accomplishment of our mission. Package auditing contributed significantly to the number of inspections for the 2010-2011 reporting year. The numbers for this type of inspection activity have increased dramatically from previous reporting periods and are directly attributable to the addition of our third employee.

2011 Goals

- 1. The primary goal for Weights & Measures is to continue our efforts of ensuring equity in the marketplace. The importance of ensuring the accuracy of weighing and measuring devices can best be illustrated by example:
 - A Deli scale that weighs 1 oz. over or under weight (with an assumed average of 100 purchases per day
 @ \$2.00 per pound) will result in a \$4,500+ annual loss for the business or their customers.
 A single gasoline pump that delivers 5 cubic inches (about 5 tablespoons) per gallon over or under volume
 (with assumed average sales) can result in a \$5,000+ annual loss for the business or their customers.
- 2. To ensure continuing commitment to our primary goal, and in a culture of ever evolving standards and devices, currency in training must be maintained. It is therefore our goal to use every opportunity to seek out cost effective training. Correct, consistent, and fair enforcement of weights and measures laws require both initial and continuing education of inspectors, and it is our goal to stay current with course materials available to us through our membership in the National Conference of Weights and Measures.

Services Provided

- Inspect all commercial weighing and measuring devices within the City, such as vehicle and computing scales, gasoline pumps, taximeters, commercial and prescription scales.
- Inspect packaged goods sold within the City by weight, measure, or count, or marked for weight, measure, or count.
- Act as an agent for the Board of Public Safety, processing and issuing taxi driver licenses and vehicle permits.
- Inspect taxicabs for compliance with the Taxi Ordinance and Board of Safety Rules and Regulations.
- Enforce state codes and city ordinances that apply to weights and measures.
- Order correction of, or condemn, or confiscate faulty devices or commodities that are sold by weight, measure, or count.
- Prepare monthly and annual reports for the Fire Chief, Board of Public Safety, and the State Weights and Measures Division.

City of Fort Wayne 2009-2010 State Reporting Statistics

INSPECTION ACTIVITIES	CORRECT	REJECTED	CONFISCATED	TOTAL
SCALES:				
Vehicle- County	46	4	0	50
Railroad	2	1	0	3
Livestock	2	0	0	2
Portable & Dormant	217	6	0	223
Hopper	30	0	0	30
Computing	955	61	0	1,016
Suspension	0	0	0	0
Prescription	85	3	0	88
Gram Scales	11	1	0	12
Miscellaneous	31	3	0	34
MEASURING DEVICES:				
High Flow Diesel Meter	132	7	0	139
Mass Flow Meters	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Truck Meters	0	0	0	0
Gasoline, Kerosene Diesel	5,062	268	0	5,330
Meter				
Timing Devices	449	19	0	468
Taxi Meters	77	2	0	79
LP Gas Meters	0	0	0	0
CALIBRATIONS AND TEST:				
Test Weights	0	0	0	0
Commercial Weights	0	0	0	0
Prescription Weights	0	0	0	0
Liquid Measures	0	0	0	0
Linear Measures	0	0	0	0
Standard Containers	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous	0	0	0	0
OTHER ACTIVITIES:				
Packages Checked	21,305	808	0	22,113
Octane samples	0	0	0	0
Misc. Determinations	234	13	0	247
GRAND TOTAL:	28,638	1,196	0	29,834

	2010 ACTUAL	2011 ACTUAL THRU 30-Jun-2011	2011 REVISED BUDGET	2012 SUBMITTED	\$ INCREASE (DECREASE) FROM 2011 REVISED	% CHANGE FROM 2011 REV TO 2012
5111 TOTAL WAGES	124,997		125,759	126,143	384	0.31%
5131 PERF - EMPLOYERS SHARE	9,687		10,690	12,614	1,924	
5132 FICA	9,209		9,621	9,650	29	
5134 LIFE MEDICAL & HEALTH INSURAN	29,700		30,600	35,400	4,800	
5136 UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	125		126	126	-	
5137 WORKERS COMP INSURANCE	1,845		2,080	1,611	(469)	
513A PERF - EMPLOYEES/PD BY CITY	3,750		3,772	3,784	12	
513R RETIREES HEALTH INSURANCE	9,900		10,200	11,800	1,600	<u> </u>
Total 5100	\$189,212	\$96,696	\$192,848	\$201,128	\$8,280	4.29%
5214 SAFETY ITEMS/SUPPLIES	198		350	350	-	
5219 OTHER OFFICE SUPPLIES	525		210	300	90	
5231 GASOLINE	2,794		3,344	3,930	586	
5299 OTHER MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	404		600	600	-	
529C BUNKER GEAR/UNIFORMS	325		700	700	-	
Total 5200	\$4,247	\$2,325	\$5,204	\$5,880	\$676	12.99%
5322 POSTAGE	133		120	120	-	
5323 TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH	276		276	-	(276)	
532C CELL PHONE	1,133		1,176	900	(276)	
532L LONG DISTANCE CHARGES	38		60	-	(60)	
5331 PRINTING OTHER THAN OFFC SUPPL	-		-	300	300	
5342 LIABILITY INSURANCE	1,451		3,149	1,450	(1,699)	
536N GARAGE CONTRACT - NONTARGET	827		744	247	(497)	
536T GARAGE CONTRACT - TARGET	3,447		3,592	3,700	108	
5371 BUILDING RENTAL	440		444	444	-	
5377 CC BUILDING PARKING	30		40	-	(40)	
5391 SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DUES	225		315	315	-	
5399 OTHER SERVICES AND CHARGES	651		348	360	12	
539B MASTER LEASE	11,240		11,240	8,406	(2,834)	
Total 5300	\$19,891	\$11,717	\$21,504	\$16,242	(\$5,262)	- 24.47%
Total 5400	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	
Total	\$213,350	\$110,739	\$219,556	\$223,250	\$3,694	1.68%

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	FUNDING SOURCE CODE:	GRP-Grant Pending			PT-Property Tax			
	CC-Cumulative Capital Fund	LE-Lease			RB-Revenue Bond			
	CDBG-Community Development Block Grant	InfraBd-Infrastructure Bor		ture Bond ST-State Source				
	CEDIT-Co. Economic Development Income Tax	LRS-Local Roads & Streets		SU-Sewer Utility				
	CO-County Source	-County Source MISC-Miscellaneous			****			
	FED-Federal Source	MVH-Motor Vehicle Highway PCBF-Park Cumulative Bldg. Fund						
	GOB-General Obligation Bond			Fund	UF-User Fee			
	GRA-Grant Approved	PS-Private Source			WU-Water Utility			
Item#	Project Title & Description	Funding	Expenditure					
		Source	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	
1	Replace Older Volumetric Testing Unit	PT	-	17,000		_		
TOTAL		-	17,000	-	_			