

# CITY OF NEW ORLEANS ReqtoCheckSTAT

Reporting Period: April 1 – April 30th

### 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**.

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

<u>Note</u>: The reporting period covering the period 12.15.2011 to 1.31.2012 includes 1 ½ months of activity .

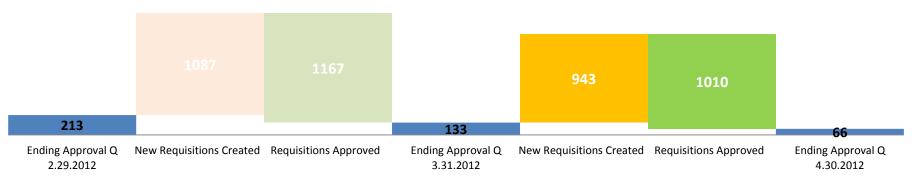


# **Requisition Approval**

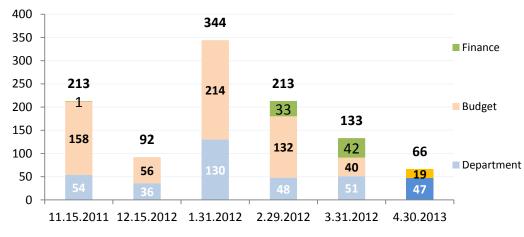
- Requisition Approved and Processed per Period
- Requisition Approval Queue by Approval Level
- Approval Time of Requisitions

Requisition

### Approval Queue Continues to Decrease Reaching 66 Requisitions as of 4.30.2012

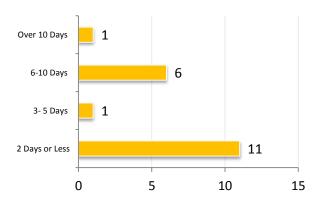


#### Requisition Approval Queue General Fund for Period Ending 4.30.2012



### Requisitions in Q to be Approved

Age of Requisitions in Q Budget Office (Total 19)

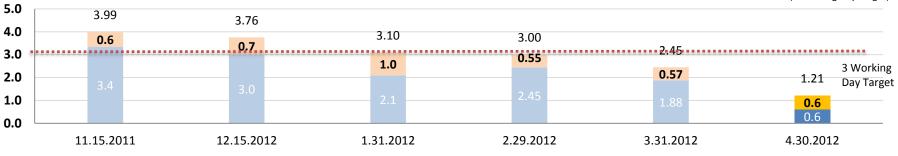


## Number of Days to Approve Requisitions Meeting Target

Average Number of Days to Approve Requisitions by Reporting Period (Budget Office and Department of Finance)

 Finance (1 Working Day Target)

Budget
 (2 Working Day Target)



Budget						
	2011		2012			
Days to Approve	11.15.2011	12.15.2011	1.31.2013	2.29.2012	3.31.2012	4.30.2012
2 or less	69%	61%	71%	<b>53%</b>	74%	96%
3 Days	4%	6%	<mark>9%</mark>	15%	8%	3%
4-5 Days	8%	12%	9%	25%	11%	1%
6-10 Days	7%	17%	10%	7%	6%	0%
11-15 Days	7%	4%	1%	0%	1%	0%
Over 15 Days	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

			Finance			•
	2011 2012					
Days to Approve	11.15.2011	12.15.2011	1.31.2012	2.29.2012	3.31.2012	4.30.2012
1 or less	99%	99%	85%	99%	97%	96%
2 Days	1%	0%	7%	1%	2%	2%
3-5 Days	0%	1%	8%	0%	1%	2%
6-10 Days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
11-15 Days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Over 15 Days	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Source : City of New Orleans Procurement System 5.1.2012

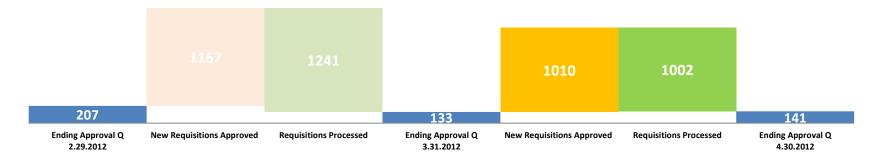


# **Requisition to Procurement**

- Processing of Requisition by Bureau of Purchasing
- Status of Requisitions Awaiting Buyer Response
- Time to Convert Requisition to PO
- Status of Requests for Proposals
- Status of Bids
- DBE Compliance (Preliminary Data)

# The Number of Requisitions in Queue Waiting to be Processed by the Bureau of Purchasing Marginally Increased to 141

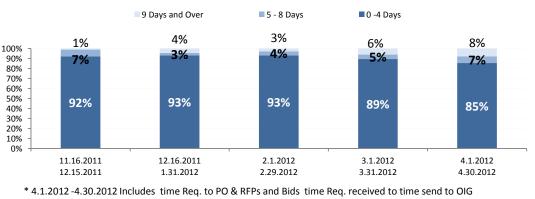
### Bureau of Purchasing Requisition Processing General Fund for Period Ending 4.30.2012



Status of Reqs Awaiting Buyer Processing			
4.30.2012			
Status	Count		
Awaiting Contract		77	
Completed		41	
Processing Procurement		14	
Waiting for Support		9	
Grand Total		141	

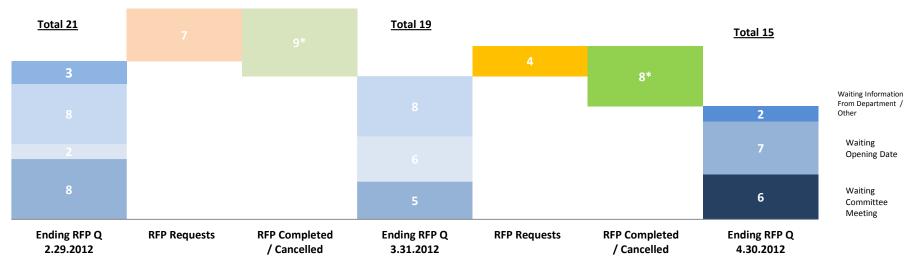
Waiting for Support		
	Count	
Property Management		3
Econ. Development		2
Nord		1
Police		
NOPD		:
DPW		:
Grand Total		9

The Bureau of Purchasing Processed Requisitions in Four Days or Less 85% of the Time (Average 1000 POs per month)

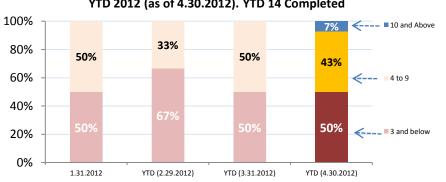


Source : Obtained from the Bureau of Purchasing 5.1.2012 and 5.10.2012

## The Number of RFPS in Process Decreased to 15 as of 4.30.2012



\* Includes cancelled RFPs for which proposals were not received

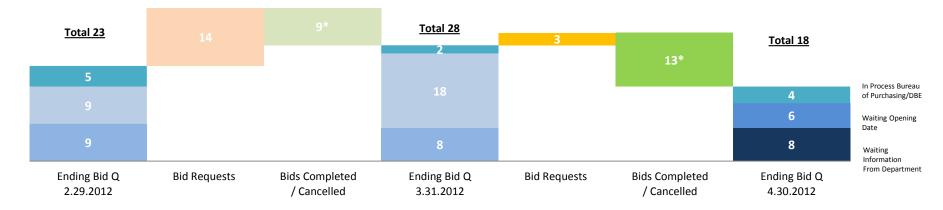


Number of Proposals Received for	RFPs Completed
YTD 2012 (as of 4.30.2012). YTD	14 Completed

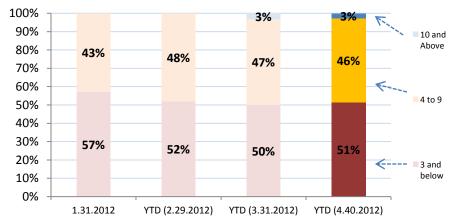
Awaiting Committee Meeting			
Department Brief Description			
French Market Corp	Multi-Use Parking Facility		
Aviation Board	Airport Pavement Index Study		
Aviation Board	Land Use		
OCD	Livable Neighborhoods Revitalized Corridors		
OCD	NOATF Legal Services Base Realignment		
Police	Survey		
CAO	Unemployment Management Personnel		

Waiting on Support / Response from Departments			
Department	Brief Description	Comment	
OCD	Online Auction Services N.O. East	Awaiting Decision	
Public Works	Curbside Management & Enforcement	Awaiting Decision	

## The Number of Bids in Process Decreased to 18 as of 4.30.2012



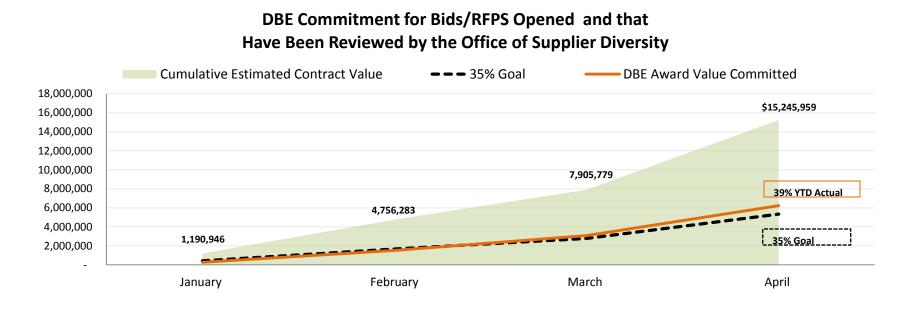
\* Includes cancelled Bids for which proposals were not received



#### Number of Proposals Received for Bids completed YTD 2012 (as of 4.30.2012). YTD 37 Completed

Awaiting on Department			
Department	Brief Description	Comment	
Homeland Security	Access Alarm Services	Award Recommendation	
Homeland Security	2 Chem ID Devices	Award Recommendation	
Capital	Hubbell Library Renovations	Award Recommendation	
Capital	Temporary Stables Building	Award Recommendation	
Capital	Joseph Bartholomew Maint. Bldg.	Award Recommendation	
Parks & Parkways	3rd & 4th District Tree Trim/ Removal	Award Recommendation	
Aviation Board	Taxiway Golf Extension East	Award Recommendation	
Aviation Board	Security Perimeter Fence replacement	Award Recommendation	

## Cumulative YTD Percentage of DBE Award Value as of 4.30.2012



Bid/RFP Closed 2012	51
DBE Complete (Included in Summary as of 4/30/2012)	21
Aviation Board (Excluded Form Summary 4/30/2012)	9
Processing (RFP Prices/ DBE Review / Recently Opened) (Excluded From Summary 4/30/2012)	17
Other (Re-Bid ) (Excluded From Summary 4/30/2012)	4

Time to Process DBE Validation by the Office of Supplier Diversity 2012 Requests Completed (Working Days)

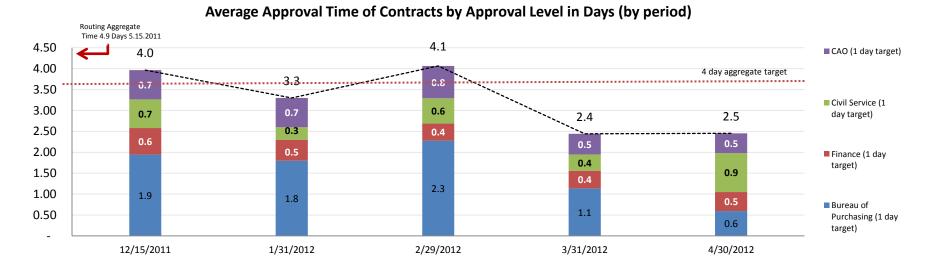




# **Contract Package Routing**

• Average Contract Routing Time

### Average Time to Approve Contracts Meeting Target



#### 7 Contract Request are in Q as of 4.30.2012 1 CAO 9 Days 1 **Civil Service** 1 Days 4 Finance 0 Days 1 Purchasing 4 Days 0 1 2 3 4 5

CAO Distribution Approval				
Days to Approve	2.29.2012	3.31.2012	4.30.2012	
0-1 Days	<b>90%</b>	93%	<b>91%</b>	
2- 3 Days 4-7 Days Over 8 Days	3%	7%	9%	
4-7 Days	7%	0%	0%	
Over 8 Days	0%	0%	0%	

Finance Distribution Approval				
Days to Approve	2.29.2012	3.31.2012	4.30.2012	
0-1 Days	<b>97%</b>	93%	93%	
0-1 Days 2- 3 Days	3%	7%	<b>2%</b>	
4-7 Days	0%	0%	5%	
4-7 Days Over 8 Days	0%	0%	0%	

Civil	Service Dist	ribution Approval	•
Days to Approve	2.29.2012	3.31.2012	4.30.2012
0-1 Days	92%	97%	93%
0-1 Days 2- 3 Days	8%	3%	7%
4-7 Days Over 8 Days	0%	0%	0%
Over 8 Days	0%	0%	0%

Bureau of	Purchasing	<b>Distribution Approval</b>	
Days to Approve	2.29.2012	3.31.2012	4.30.2012
0-1 Days	<b>62%</b>	78%	88%
2- 3 Days	<b>18%</b>	16%	<b>9%</b>
4-7 Days	10%	1%	3%
Over 8 Days	1 <b>0%</b>	5%	0%

Source : ECMS 5.1.2012



# **Contract Approval Process**

• Contract Processing and Approval

## Contracts: All Contracts Processed, Received and in Queue 5.15.2011 – 4.30.2012

(Legal Review, CAO, Vendor Signature, City Attorney, Executive Council, Mayor/City Council)

### All Contracts Processed, Received and in Q at the End of the Reporting Period as of 4.30.2012 (in units)



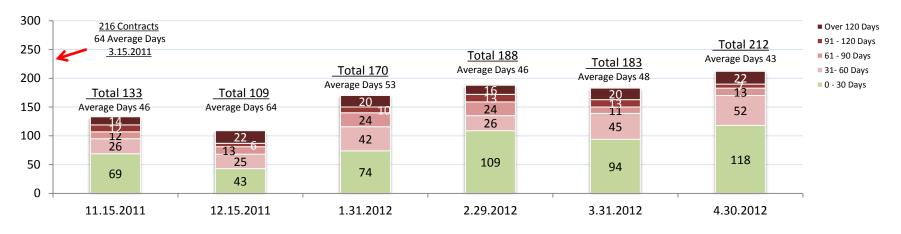




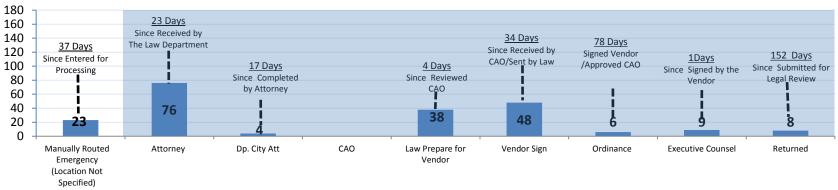
## Contracts : All Contracts in Process by Period

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

### The Average Age of Contracts Awaiting Processing Decreased to 45 Days



### Location and Average Age of Contracts in Process as of 4.30.2012

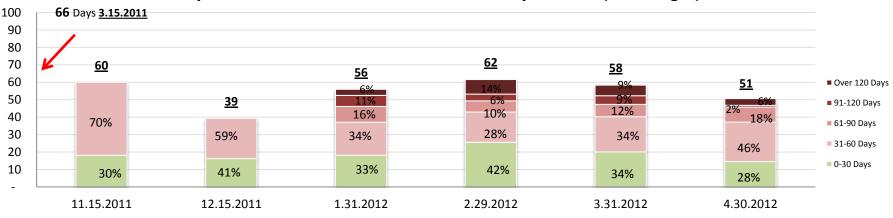


Source : Contract Management System ECMS 4.30.2012

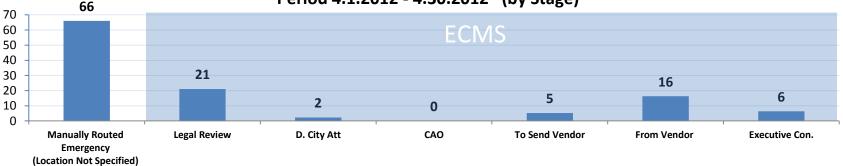
## **Contracts : All Contracts Executed by Period**

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

#### The Average Time to Close Contracts During the Period Decrease to 51 Days from 58 Days. 28% of Contracts Were Closed in 30 Days or Less (80% Target)



#### Average Days to Process Contracts Completed During the Period 4.1.2012 - 4.30.2012 (by Stage)



## New Tool To Review Contracts Expiring Every Month

	■2012												■2013											
Department / Agency	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
AVIATION		_	2	1			1		1			7	3	2	10	2								1
BLIGHT & REVITALIZATION			1					1		1		1		1		1								
CANAL STREET DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION											1		1											
CAO	4	12	1	2	1	1	1	2	3			1	1		1									
CAPITAL PROJECT	1	4	16	6	5	8	5	3	2	9	6	15	16	6	2	7					1		1	
City Council												6			1									
CITY PLANNING						1																		
CIVIL SERVICE		1										5		1	1									
COUNCIL UTILITY REGULATORY OFFICE'												1	1		6									
DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE AND REALIGNMENT COMMISSION (BRAC)												1	1											
DEPUTY MAYORS' & ASSISTANTS											1													
DISASTER CDBG UNIT	1			1	2			4	1	4	5	3	1		1						1			
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			1			1	1		3			1						1						
FACILITIES, INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	5		3		3	1	1		1		4		1	1	2	2					2			
FINANCE		1			1				2			2	1	1								1		
FIRE DEPARTMENT		2			1	3	1		1	1		1			1	1		1						
HEALTH DEPARTMENT	1	15		2	1	2	2	4	3	11	8	4	1	3	4	1			1					
HISTORIC DISTRICT LANDMARK COMMISSION (HDLC)																								
HOMELAND SECURITY	1				1	4	1	3	5	14	3	3	6	5	3	4		1	1				3	
HOMELAND SECURITY GRANTS APPROVAL												1			1	1								
HUMAN RESOURCES												1												
HUMAN SERVICES					2			1				1		1										
LAW	1	3	3	2	9	5		3	4	7	4	10	4	5	1		1							1
MAYOR	_				2	1		2	2			2	8	6		1					2			
MOSQUITO CONTROL BOARD														3										
MUNICIPAL YACHT HARBOR MANAGEMENT CORPORATION(MYHMC)										1														
NEIGHBORHOOD ENGAGEMENT OFFICE										1		1												
NEIGHBORHOOD STABLIZATION			1		1	1		1	2	1	3	7	6	6										
NEW ORLEANS BUILDING CORPORATION			-		_	3		1	1	1	2	1	1	-	1									
NORD RECREATION DEPARTMENT		2				5		-	1	3	2	6	1	1	3		6							
OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATOR		-							-	1	2	Ū	-	4	1		Ū							
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL										-	-				-		1							
OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION				1		3		1	1		1	2	1	4	2	1	-							
PARKS & PARKWAYS				2	2	5		-	-		1	1	1	3	2	1								
PIAZZA D'ITALIA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION				-	-						1	1	-	1	-									
POLICE DEPARTMENT	3	2	5			1	1	1		1	1	3		7										
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT	1	-	1	1	2	2	-	3	2	2	8	1	3	1	4	1								
PUBLIC LIBRARY					-	-		5	-	1	5	1	1	1	,									
PUBLIC WORKS	8	3	5	8	9	4	3	7	8	20	10	12	32	19	18	14				1				
REGISTER OF VOTERS	0	5	5	0	5	4	5	,	0	20	10	12	52	15	10	14				1				
RIVERGATE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION											1													
SAFETY & PERMITS											1	1												1
SANITATION DEPARTMENT			1	1								1	2	1		1								1
SERVE NOLA			1	1									2	1		1								1
Grand Total	26	45	40	27	42	41	17	37	43	79	63	103	93	82	65	37	8	3	2	1	6	1	4	4

Note: Each department is responsible for monitoring expiring contracts and making sure legacy contracts are renewed. This schedule should only be used as a guide.

Source : : Contract Management System ECMS 4.30.2012

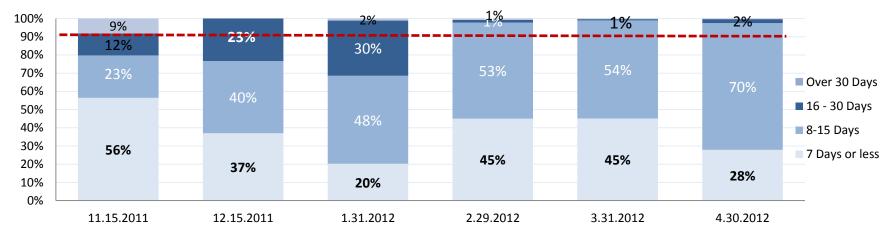


# The check: Accounts payable

- General Fund Payments
  - 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
    - Capital Projects Revolver Payments

# The Percentage of General Fund (and Agency) Payments Processed in 7 Days or Less Decreased to 28%

Working Days to Process General Funds and Agencies Check Payments by A/P Office for Periods Ending 11.15.2011 to 4.30.2012 (in %)



Sample 280 selections 95% confidence level +-5

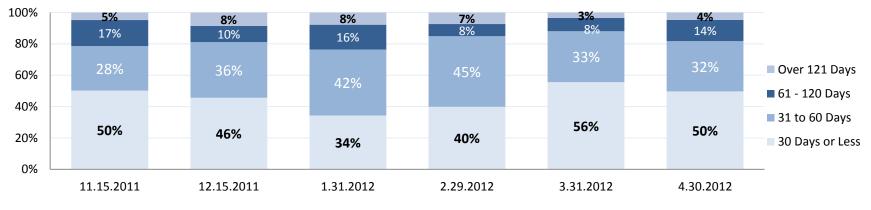
#### Average Number of Days to Process Invoices by A/P Department (GF Expenditures)

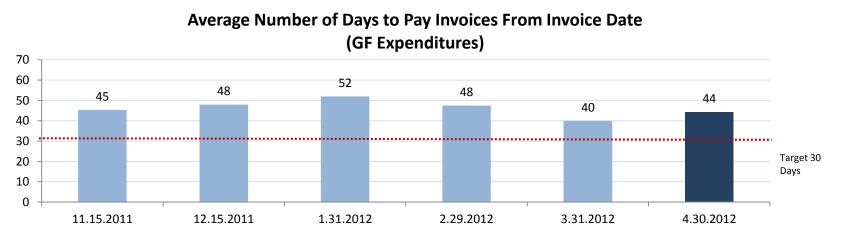


## The Percentage of General Fund (and agency) Payments in 30 Days or Less Decreased to 50% in the Current Period

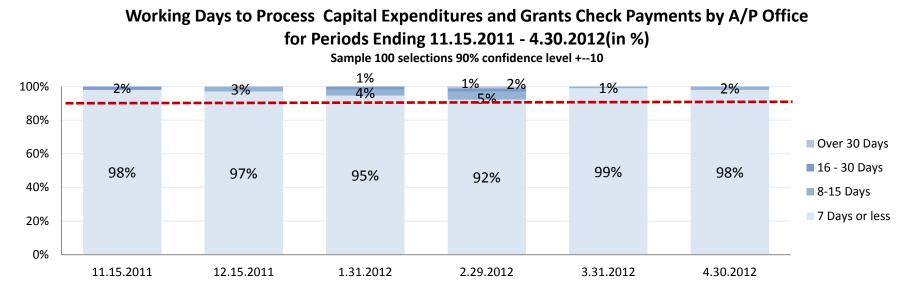
### Percentage of Payments in Days From Invoice Date to Payment for General Fund (or Agency) Expenditures for Periods Ending 11.15.2011 - 4.30.2012(in %)

Sample 280 selections 95% confidence level +-5

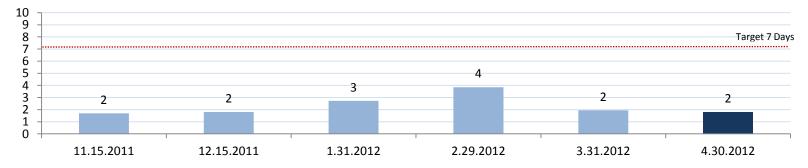




## The Percentage of Capital and Grant Payments Processed in 7 Days or Less Remains Over the 90% Target

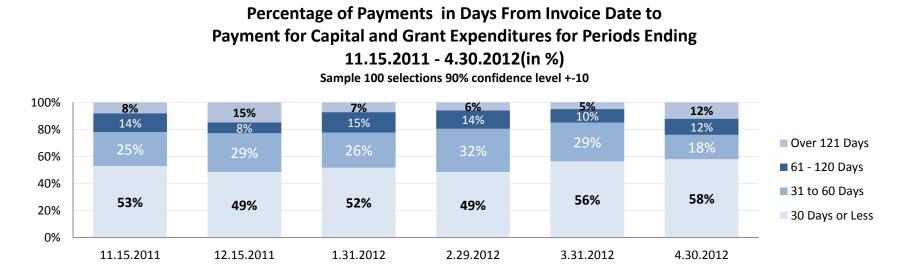


#### Average Number of Days to Process Invoices by A/P Department (Capital and Grant Expenditures)



Payment

The Percentage of Capital and Grant Payments Made in 30 days or Less from Invoice Date Increased to 58%, from 56% in the Prior Period



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



### Sample Results Payments Vouched Period 4.1.2012 – 4.30.2012

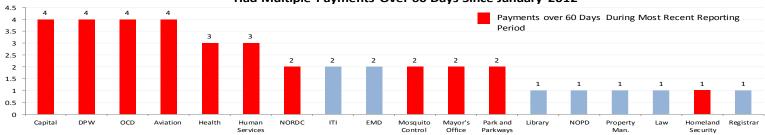
Sample 280 Selections 95% Confidence level +-5

General Fund & Agencies	Over	60 Days	Grand Total	(**) %
Department	No	Yes	Grand Total	Dep. Late
Parks	6	7	13	54%
Health	5	3	8	38%
Mayor	13	7	20	35%
Human Services	6	3	9	33%
Mosquito	7	3	10	30%
NORDC	17	4	21	19%
EMS	11	2	13	15%
Law	13	2	15	13%
Library	18	2	20	10%
Aviation	39	3	42	7%
Other Departments	92	17	109	16%
Total	227	53	280	

Sample 100 Selections 90% Confidence level +--10

Capital & Grants	Over	60 Days	Grand Total	(**) %
Department	No	Yes	Granu Total	Dep. Late
Homeland Security	6	4	10	40%
Capital	14	5	19	26%
OCD	16	5	21	24%
DPW	15	4	19	21%
Health	12	2	14	14%
Other Departments	14	3	17	18%
Grand Total	77	23	100	

(\*\*)Represents the percentage of payments over 60 days, from invoice date, for the specific department.



#### # of Reporting Periods Departments/Agencies Had Multiple Payments Over 60 Days Since January 2012

(\*)Through a sample selection of approximatelly 370 invoices each reporting period, the Office of Performance and Accountability asks departments with 3 (General Fund and Agencies) or 2 (Capital and Grant Expenditures) payments exceeding a 60 day payment window (invoice date to payment date) to attend the periodic ReqtoCheck meeting to discuss challenges preventing invoices from being paid in a timely fashion.

Other

Paid as of 5.10.2012

2 (B)

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2 (A)

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# Significant Improvement in CDBG Payments in the Pipeline. Only a Few Outliers in the Over 60 Days Categories

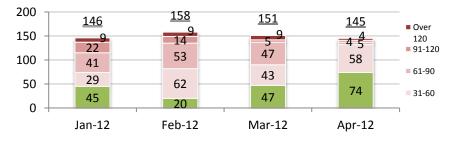
			Age				
Processing Stage	<=30	31-60	61-90	91-120	Over 120	Total	
PM to Send to Owning Department						0	
Owning Department to Send to Accounting	3					3	
Accounting to Approve	18					18	
State DRU to Send to State Finance	21	28				49	
State Finance to Pay City	32	13	1	2		48	
Payment to Hit City's Bank		12				12	
City to Cut Check	0	5	4	2	4	15	
Grand Total	74	58	5	4	4	145	
Reasons for Delay							
Dispute with the vendor					3	1	
Misplaced / Nor Processed Timely							
With the State		31	1	2			
Contract being processed							

(A): 2 invoices for NORA (DR #12); CNO received pymt 4/18/12; still not paid due to amount rec'd being greater than DR amount

(B): 2 invoices for NORA; see explanation above (DR #11)

#### **OCD** Aging of Invoices in the Pipeline

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Information obtained from Quickbase (OCD ) 5.1.2012 – 5.11.2012

Other\*

Paid 5.10.2012

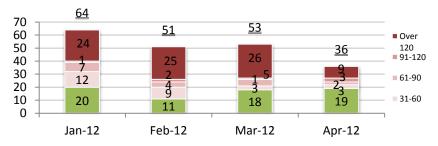
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Significant Improvement in DPW Payments in the Pipeline. Invoices in the Over 60 Days Categories Were Reduced by More Than 50%

			Age				
Processing Stage	<=30	31-60	61-90	91-120	Over 120	Total	
PM to Approve	3	1			6	10	Over 60
Department to Create Receiver	6	2	2	3	2	15	days
Department to Deliver to Finance	1					1	
Finance to Cut Check	3					3	Over 30
Finance to Release Check	6				1	7	days
Grand Total	19	3	2	3	9	36	
Reasons for Delay						-	
Dispute with the vendor							
Goods received at a later date / Services were not rendered							
timely							
Contract being processed		1		2	7		
						1	

2

\*7 Invoices in "Other" Category - 6 are awaiting reimbursement from SWB before the invoices can be processed. 1 is waiting for reimbursement from the State before the check can be released.



#### DPW City: Aging of Invoices in the Pipeline by Period

Information obtained from Quickbase (DPW Department) 5.1.2012 - 5.11.2012

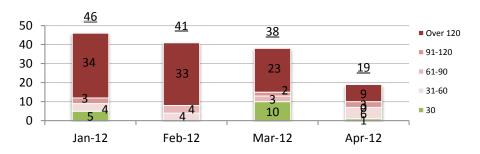
Over 60 days

Over 30 days

Significant Improvement in DPW <u>Revolver</u> Payments in the Pipeline. Invoices in the Over 60 Days Categories Were Reduced by More Than 50%

			Age			[
Processing Stage	<=30	31-60	61-90	91-120	Over 120	Total
PM to Approve						0
Fiscal to Receive Invoice				1	8	9
Department to Create Receiver		6		2	1	9
State to Send to Hancock	1		-			1
Grand Total	1	6	0	3	9	19
Reasons for Delay Dispute with the vendor Goods received at a later date / Services were not rendered						
Invoice missplaced / not processed timely						
Contract being processed				3	9	
Other**		6				
Paid 5.10.2012						

\*6 Invoices in Other Category - All 6 are pending approval to use Revolver funding before they can be processed. <u>Note:</u> 29 "Vendor Dispute" Invoices are not included in the aging above- same vendor, same project. Working with Legal to resolve.



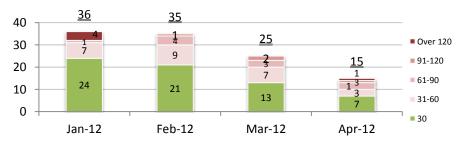
#### DPW Revolver: Aging of Invoices in the Pipeline by Period

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### Capital Projects Maintains Good Track Record of Paying Invoices on Time.

			Age				
Processing Stage	<=30	31-60	61-90	91-120	Over 120	Total	
Department to Create Receiver			2		1	3	Ove 60
Finance to Receive from Department		1		-		1	day
Finance to Cut Check	5	1				6	
Finance to Release Check	2	1	1	1		5	Ove
Grand Total	7	3	3	1	1	15	30 day
Reasons for Delay							
Dispute with the vendor							
Goods received at a later date / Services were not			2			-	
rendered			2				
rendered Invoice was missplaced / not processed timely			2			-	
rendered Invoice was missplaced / not processed timely Contract being processed						-	
rendered Invoice was missplaced / not processed timely		2	2	1	1	-	

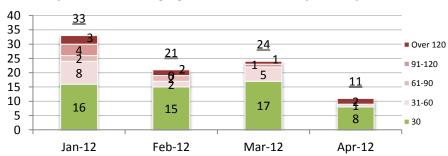
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### Capital Projects Maintains Good Track Record Paying <u>Revolver</u> Invoices on Time

						-
			Age			
Processing Stage	<=30	31-60	61-90	91-120	Over 120	Total
Department to Create Receiver		1				1
Finance to Receive from Department					1	1
Finance to Send to State	1					1
State to Send to Hancock	7				1	8
Grand Total	8	1	0	0	2	11
Reasons for Delay Dispute with the vendor		1			1	]
Goods received at a later date / Services were not						
rendered						
Invoice was missplaced / not processed timely						
rendered Invoice was missplaced / not processed timely Contract being processed Other					1	

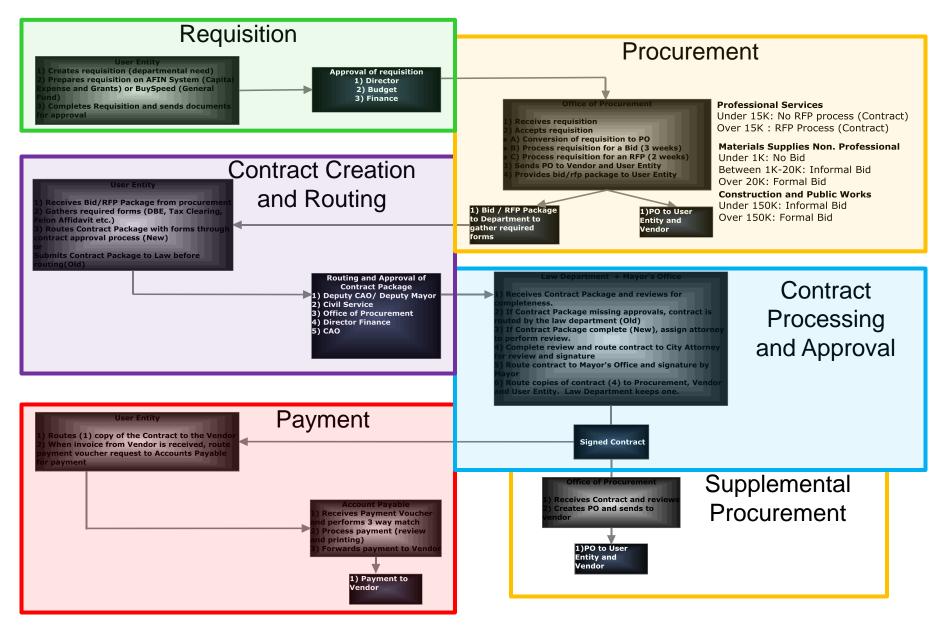


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## **Procurement Process Map/City of New Orleans**

\* 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?