



State of the City

Stephanie A. Miner, Mayor

Welcome
Steven Kern

Executive Director, Everson Museum of Art

Invocation

Father John Fenlon

Pastor, St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church

Pledge of Allegiance

Kylique White

4th Grader, Dr. Martin Luther King School
Mayor's Martin Luther King Jr. Award recipient for 2011

Introduction

Councilor Jean Kessner

State of the City Address

Mayor Stephanie A. Miner

Benediction

The Rev. David L. Tanyhill, Jr.

Pastor, Bellegrove Missionary Baptist Church

Thursday, January 27, 2011
Hosmer Auditorium, Everson Museum of Art

Printed in-house



2010 – The Year in Review



Inauguration, January 9
Clinton Square

JANUARY



CITY'S HARD BARGAIN
ON DEMOLITION: 85% OFF

FEBRUARY



Historic Sales Tax Agreement

APRIL



Ed Smith students visit Mayor's office

JUNE



Celebrating
our diversity

CONGOLESE COMMUNITY OF
CENTRAL NEW YORK
PROMOTES
UNITY
DEVELOPMENT
DIVERSITY
INCLUSION

JULY

Syracuse Police Department

- In April, SPD launched a web page to enable individuals to view active warrants for people within the City of Syracuse and Onondaga County.
- Operation Safe Surrender, conducted June 4-5, was a multi-agency initiative that offered a two day amnesty period for individuals with warrants to safely turn themselves in. A total of 305 individuals turned themselves in and were arrested on 400 charges.
- Operation Rolling Thunder, conducted June 28-July 2, included federal, state and local law enforcement agencies. This initiative was designed to aggressively target and apprehend individuals who did not take advantage of Operation Safe Surrender. A total of 307 people were arrested on 340 warrants and 464 charges.
- Operation Vigilance, conducted Dec. 13-17, targeted individuals with warrants who were suspected gang members and individuals with prior burglary and theft arrests and those with active drug warrants. A total of 63 people were arrested.
- Conducted STOP-IN pilot program community policing strategy in three strategic areas of the City.
- Worked with Mayor's Office to launch and promote "Raise Your Hands, Raise Your Voices" anonymous gun tip line campaign. Within the first three weeks of the operation, the tip line received 19 calls, resulting in eight actionable investigations.
- Worked with the Law Department and the Mayor's Office to draft and pass legislation that will allow SPD to install nine cameras on the Near Westside in 2011 as a pilot program.
- Recovered 303 illegal guns and arrested 225 people for illegal gun possession. Six of these arrests were transferred to the U.S. Attorney's office for federal prosecution.
- Reduced non-reimbursed overtime by \$1.1 million for the 2010 calendar year.

Syracuse Fire Department

- Maintained its status as the only Insurance Service Office "Class One" fire department in New York State.
- Responded to 24,618 emergencies in 2010.

Department of Neighborhood & Business Development

- Created at beginning of Miner Administration as a merger of the former community development and economic development departments to substantially cut administrative costs and increase funding available for housing development.
- Opened Permit Consultation Office to provide a more centralized and streamlined review of projects. Previously drawings were shipped for review to as many as six different departments in the city.
- Created Case Manager position and provided new guidance on the City web site to assist professional developers, homeowners and business owners with the development process.
- SIDA adopted a green PILOT policy that provides benefits based on the level of LEED-certification obtained for the project.
- Created new Syracuse Urban Renewal Agency (SURA) plan to address vacant structures.
- Worked with the Law Department and Mayor's Office to acquire nine HUD foreclosures formerly known as the Eljay properties, finding viable developers for 277 housing units.
- Worked with the Law Department to revise the Rental Registry ordinance to ease the burden on property owners who consistently comply with building codes, while targeting property owners who are non-compliant.
- Worked with the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability to create the

2010 Housing Plan, the playbook for the City's housing strategy for each neighborhood.

- Development projects completed in the City of Syracuse in 2010: Center of Excellence, Lincoln Supply Building, Urban Outfitters, Washington Station, CNY Philanthropy Center, Prospect Hill Phase I, Loguen Homes, and the Atrium Garage.

Bureau of Planning & Sustainability

- Worked with the Downtown Committee to permanently relocate the Farmers Market to Clinton Square.
- Directed the City's efforts under the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) as part of the federal stimulus program. These funds have been spent on lighting improvements at various Parks facilities, and will fund further improvements at City-owned parking garages.
- Oversaw, in conjunction with DPW, Engineering and Onondaga County, the resurfacing of three City parking lots utilizing green infrastructure for stormwater runoff reduction.

Department of Parks, Recreation & Youth Programs

- \$1 million in capital improvements at the Sunnycrest Ice Rink and \$250,000 in improvements at the Meachem Ice Rink.
- Continued collaborations with groups like Say Yes to Education, Catholic Charities and the Boys and Girls Club to provide quality youth summer programming.
- Hosted seven "City Hall Parks Here" events, the Mayor's summer meetings with community members.

Department of Public Works

- Initiated waste route optimization study that will reduce vehicle emissions and result in savings on fuel and labor costs.

- Reduced departmental overtime by 43.8%, saving more than \$800,000, despite record snowfall.

Department of Engineering

- Substantial completion of designs for the JSCB renovation of Fowler High School, Institute of Technology at Syracuse Central, Dr. Weeks Elementary School and H.W. Smith Pre-K-8 School.
- Completed design for Hancock International Airport Terminal Security Access and Improvements project.

Department of Aviation

- Air Canada entered the Syracuse market with two daily flights to Toronto.
- Phase I construction has begun on the \$60 million Terminal Security Access and Improvements project.
- City of Syracuse awarded \$500,000 Small Community Air Service Development Grant by USDOT.
- Successfully negotiated the lease of the former USAirways Reservation Center to Mohawk Global, making Syracuse the world headquarters for the international transportation logistics company.

Department of Law

- Created new EEO Sexual Harassment and Retaliation policy for SPD, with training beginning in 2011.
- Drafted and passed same-sex domestic partnership benefit legislation for City employees with the Departments of Personnel & Labor Relations.

Department of Water

- Implemented hearings for residents at risk of water shut-offs for non-payment.



Say Yes to Education Summer Festival
at Thornden Park

JULY



Upstate Mayors seek change,
mandate relief from Albany

AUGUST



Focus on Housing

SEPTEMBER



Mayor, Chief advocate
for camera legislation

OCTOBER

NOVEMBER



Citizens Cabinet meeting

DECEMBER

JANUARY