

**Mayor's Report to City Council**  
**March 24, 2015**

You may have read news reports that the City Redevelopment Authority is moving to acquire ownership of the Bulova Building. An RFP is being prepared that will provide developers with 60-90 days to present a proposal to the Redevelopment Authority for development of the east side of Lancaster Square. This would include the Bulova building, the adjacent plaza area owned by the City, and the annex of the Hotel Lancaster property. The Authority will then select a developer and prepare the final Redevelopment Proposal to be submitted to the City Planning Commission and City Council for approval. Once those approvals are obtained the Authority would move to take the property by eminent domain. This process will likely take until October or November of this year. At any time during this process the Bulova parties could reach agreement to sell the property to another interested party, with all liens removed. This effort by the Redevelopment Authority, with the City's support, is to obtain a clean title to the property and put it in the hands of a developer.

With the change in seasons, several projects will be underway over the coming months.

1. Renovations to the Visitors Center in Penn Square has already begun and is expected to be completed by the beginning of June.
2. Major streetscape improvements around the Penn Square Heritage Quadrant and Central Market will begin next month.
3. Installation of a new water line on W. James Street between Prince and Queen Streets began last week.
4. Replacement of the sewer line on West Chestnut Street between Nevin and Mary is scheduled to begin in early May and continue until July 3<sup>rd</sup>. This will be followed by street repaving from College Avenue to Arch Street.
5. Renovation and upgrades to Martin Luther King Pool will begin in April and continue through to mid-June.
6. Greening and reconstruction of Liberty Street between Liberty Place and N. Prince Street will begin in April. Completion will coincide with the opening of the extension of Liberty Street to Harrisburg Avenue at the end of June and; finally,
7. Paving projects scheduled during this year's 2015 Street Improvement Program will begin in April, and a list of water main replacement and repaving projects is attached.

Earlier this month, members of our Stormwater Program Staff conducted a training workshop for engineers, architects, developers, and private property owners to explain our storm water ordinance and green infrastructure practices in general. Penn Stone owner John McGrann hosted the workshop and shared some feedback from those who attended. Mr. McGrann indicated that many expressed their appreciation for the workshop itself, but most particularly for giving them access to the people they can contact for their stormwater-related questions. Our Stormwater Program staff will continue to provide quarterly training sessions. The next session will be on the credit system, and more details will follow.

### Proposed 2015 Utility Work for Paving

Road Work Location:	Intersection (From/To):	Proposed type of work	Necessary Utility Work
Andrew Street	Prince St/Strawberry St	Overlay	Replace Watermain from Queen to Strawberry and UGI Main Work
Third Street	Crystal St/ Rodney St	Overlay	Several Lead Water Service Replacements and UGI Main Work
Third Street	Manor St/ Crystal St	Overlay	Several Lead Water Service Replacements and UGI Main Work
St Joseph Street	Hershey Ave/ Euclid Ave	Overlay	Replace Watermain
St Joseph Street	Euclid Ave/ City Limits	Overlay	Replace Watermain
Shippen Street	E Chestnut St/ E Fulton St	Overlay	UGI Main Work
Park Avenue	E New St/ E Clay St	Overlay	Replace Watermain and UGI Main Work
Madison Street	N Reservoir St/ N Broad St	Overlay	UGI Main Work
Market Street	W James St/ W Frederick St	Overlay	Replace Watermain
James Street	N Christian St/ N Duke St	Overlay	Replace Watermain and UGI Main Work
James Street	W James St/ N Christian St	Overlay	Replace Watermain and UGI Main Work
Franklin Street	E Fulton St/ E Walnut St	Overlay	Replace Watermain
Franklin Street	E Chestnut St/ E Fulton St	Overlay	Replace Watermain
Walnut Street	N Lime St/ N Shippen St	Overlay	Replace Watermain
New Holland Avenue	N Shippen St/ N Plum St	Overlay	Replace Watermain
Broad Street	S Broad St/ Clark St	Overlay	Replace Watermain
Christian Street	E Walnut St/ E Lemon St	Overlay	UGI Main Work
Fairview Ave	Hager St/ Seymour St	Overlay	UGI Main Work
Fairview Ave	Seymour St NW/ Seymour St SE	Overlay	UGI Main Work
Elm Street	W Fulton St/ W Walnut St	Overlay	Several Lead Water Service Replacements and UGI Main Work
Elm Street	W Chestnut St/ W Fulton St	Overlay	Several Lead Water Service Replacements and UGI Main Work
Liberty Street	N Shippen St/ N Plum St	Overlay	Several Lead Water Service Replacements and UGI Main Work
West King Street	Charlotte St/ Prince St	PennDOT	UGI Main Work
East King Street	Duke St/ Plum St	PennDOT	UGI Main Work
East King Street	Ann St/ Reservoir St	PennDOT	UGI Main Work
East King Street	Broad St/ Grofftown Rd	PennDOT	UGI Main Work
Grofftown Road	E. Chestnut St/ Ranck Mill Rd	PennDOT	UGI Main Work