

# City Facilities and Operations Energy Performance Contracting 101

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### Are you at the right lunch?

- Capital Improvement budget is too small
- Energy is 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> largest budget item
- 'Response Maintenance mode' = expensive emergencies
- Comfort issues: persistent and expensive to fix
- Maintenance costs are rising
- Staff training budgets low



### **Energy Performance Contract**

- The Colorado Energy Office (CEO) administers the energy performance contracting program
   14-year-old program
   Currently ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in Nation for performance
   Completed 154 projects; \$330M in

  - construction
- What is Energy Performance Contracting (EPC)?
  - A simple, quick way for facility owners to implement and finance building improvements and energy conservation measures
  - Energy conservation measures are funded through guaranteed future energy savings



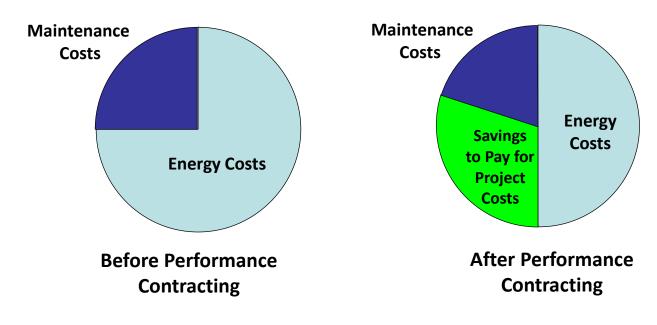
#### What is Energy Guarantee Contracting?

Removing energy, operational and maintenance waste from WHAT facilities Design and implement improvements with guaranteed **HOW** performance Pay for improvements over time through operation, COST maintenance and energy cost savings – not Capital budgets

# **Energy Performance Contract**

### EPC – Budget Neutral

- Finance infrastructure improvements over longer terms (up to 25 years)
- Energy savings generated from improvements are used to make the lease payments



#### **Typical Facility Energy Savings Opportunities**

20% 40%



<u>Annual</u> savings occur by increasing equipment and operational efficiency

### Boulder's EPC Goals

- ➤ Reduce energy use, water use and costs across all city operations
- Upgrade aging infrastructure in a fiscally constrained funding environment
- > Reduce GHG emissions by 20 percent
- ➤ Leverage ARRA, State and utility funding opportunities
- > Improve comfort, aesthetics, productivity
- Incorporate renewable technology and maximize demand side management opportunities
- Add/Improve building automation systems
- >Lead by example

### Measures Chosen

- Lighting audit and retrofits
  - 10,239 fixtures to be retrofit = 1,382 KW of existing lighting power
- Water conservation audit 57 buildings & irrigation
  - Kudos to the city on conserving irrigation water
  - 1,591 fixture to adjust/modify/calibrate
- Building envelope: 57 buildings audited; "weatherization" at 43
- Solar PV at 13 locations total output of 1,061 kW
- Solar thermal pool heating systems at 2 Recreation Centers
  - 19,300 annual therm output
- Mechanical Replacements (chillers, boilers, air handlers, etc.)
- Variable frequency drives
- Building controls, scheduling and optimization/re-commissioning
- Employee Education/Behavioral Change

# EPC Financials by Phase

Item	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Total
Total Project Value	\$2,888,711	\$8,138,999	\$5,205,250	\$16,232,960
Xcel Energy Solar PV Rewards Rebate – one time	(\$632,064)	(\$778,900)	(\$75,000)	(\$1,485,964)
Xcel Energy Standard Offer Rebate – one-time	(\$80,885)	(\$417,230)	(\$58,878)	(\$556,993)
Project Cost to Boulder	\$2,175,762	\$6,942,869	\$5,071,372	\$14,190,003
EECBG	(\$213,501)	(\$146,499)		(\$360,000)
City Capital	(\$462,261)	(\$398,337)	(\$1,524,460)	(\$2,385,058)
Financed Amount	\$1,500,000 QECBs @1.46% - 13Y	\$6,398,033 @3.5% - 15Y (refi with Ph 3)	\$3,241,229 @2.65%- 15Y	\$11,139,262

QECB – Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds

### **EPC Financials & Benefits**

Item	Total
Total Project Value	\$16,232,960
- Electric and Gas Utility Rebates – one time	(\$2,042,957)
- Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant	(\$360,000)
- City Capital	(\$2,385,058)
Financed Amount	\$11,139,262

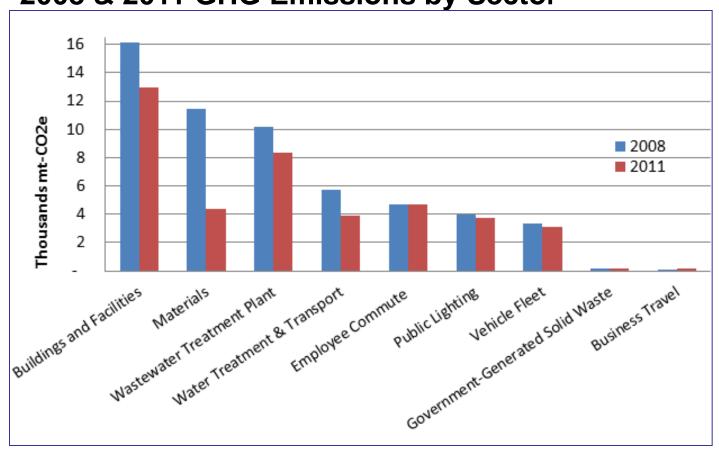
- Stimulus funding (EECBG) only 2% of funds
- 24 of 28 (86%) of contractors in Colorado, with 13 (54%) in Boulder area
- \$11.5M to subcontractors
  - \$6M for labor with 422 people employed in 3-year timeframe
- ESCo (McKinstry) professional staff increased from 14 to 35 in 3 years

# **EPC Results**

Item	Total (Annual)
Electricity Reduction	7,883,532 kWh
Gas Reduction	180,680 therms
Water Reduction	2,796 kgals
Utility Cost Savings	\$667,614
Maint Cost Savings	\$52,615 (3-years only)
CO2 Reduction	8,216 mtons (24.4%)
Future Capital Avoided	\$3,354,460 (one-time)
On-going Incentives: - PV REC payments - Colorado Carbon Fund REC payments	\$97,062 \$50,000 total (one-time)

#### **Boulder Emission Sources**

2008 & 2011 GHG Emissions by Sector



Reductions

Buildings – 20%

Materials – 62%

Wastewater – 19%

Water – 32%

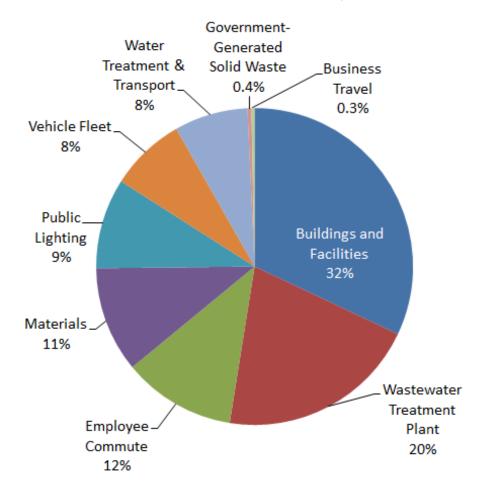
Public Lights – 6%

Fleet – 5%

Overall: 26% decrease from 2008 to 2011

### **Boulder Emission Sources**

#### 2011 GHG Emissions by Sector



# Awareness & Engagement

### powerED program:

- Behavior change educational campaign for city facility occupants
- Goal is 10%
- Collaborative partnership between McKinstry and the City of Boulder

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#### Focuses on:

- People: engage occupants and increase awareness
- Process: engage operators and optimize systems
- Performance: energy savings progress tracking and reporting (dashboard)

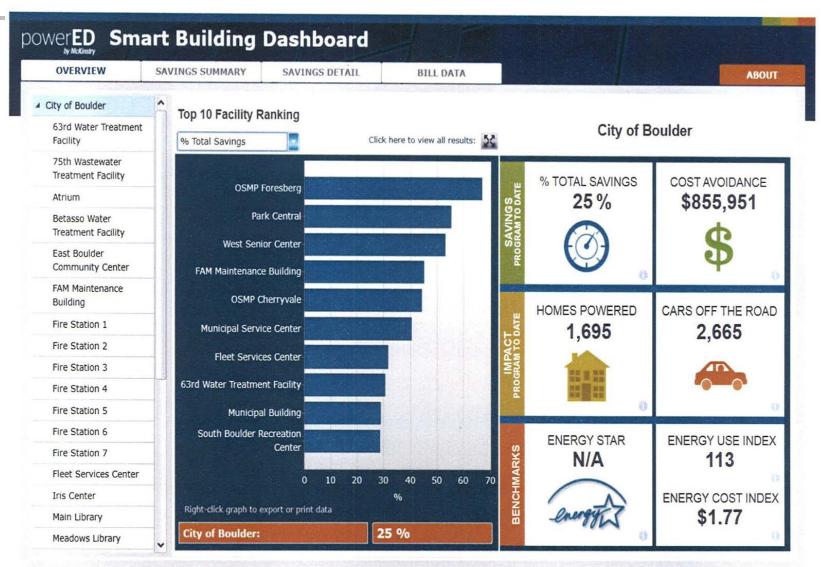
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### Dashboard





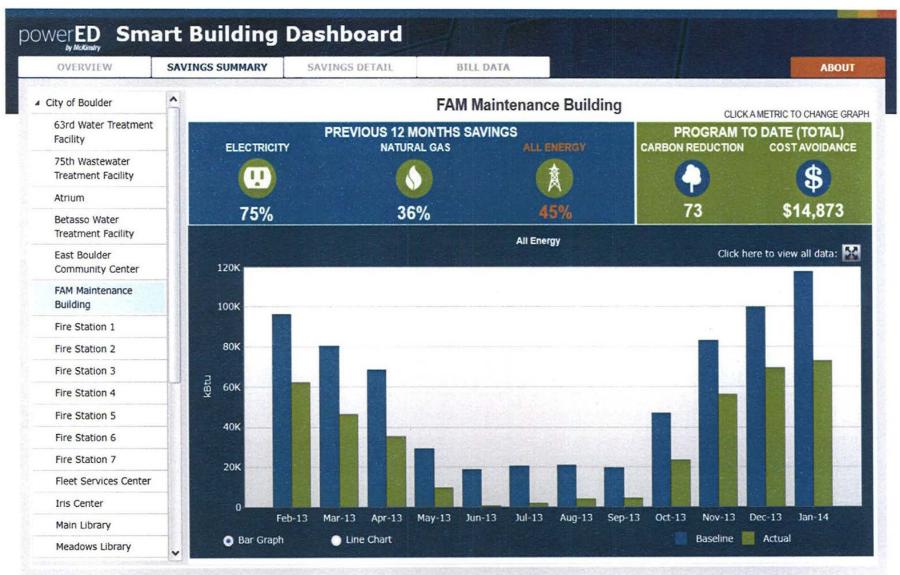
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### Dashboard - Maint Bldg





# City-Wide Emission Reduction Efforts

- EPC: 24.4% reduction from buildings sector for all 3 phases, 13.6% reduction in total GHG emissions
- Recycling, composting: +200 tons recycled, +11 tons composted (2009)~4% reduction waste – zero waste (2010)
- 2012 LED traffic signals: 100%
- Recycled asphalt: 20% (same)
- Vehicle fleet: 100% AFVs for new, maintain VMT budget, biofuels (B2-2011, B10 & B20 use), EVs with renewables
- Transportation: Ecopass, bikes and carpooling (same)
- Environmental purchasing policy (recycled paper, environmentally certified products, etc. - same)
- Hydro production, WWTP cogen, more solar / wind (same)

### Recommendations

### Go Big

- ➤ Deep energy efficiencies lowest cost measure
- Add water conservation
- Add employee engagement program
- > Include Renewables (dessert) solar pV; solar thermal

### Financing

- Start early in process
- Select financing firm that knows EPCs
- Utility bonds can get excellent rates

### Design/Build Performance Contract

### What's Next

80 by 50 – 80 percent reduction by 2050

or "Fossil-Free"

Renewable Energy Study



# Fleet Electrification with Renewables and Battery Storage

#### Energy Efficiency Upgrades at City Facilities

# Thank you!

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