

MEETING AGENDA – NOVEMBER 10, 2015

BOARD ROOM 4000 EAST RIVER ROAD NE ROCHESTER, MN 55906

4:00 PM

1. 3:30 PM Closed Meeting

A closed meeting to receive a communication from, and to have a discussion with, the City Attorney regarding the status of and to discuss potential litigation strategies for the pending administrative legal proceedings involving the City and the U.S. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"). These two administrative cases involve the City's request for FERC approval to allow Rochester Public Utilities' transmission costs to be shared with other regional utility companies resulting in lower costs to the City and RPU. The administrative cases are identifies as Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc., FERC Docket No. ER14-2154-000 and Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc., FERC Docket No. ER15-277-000 The closed meeting will occur prusuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 13D.05, subd.3 (b).

2. 4:00 PM Regular Meeting

Call to Order

3. Approval of Agenda

4. Approval of Minutes

1. Public Utility Board - Regular Meeting - Oct 27, 2015 4:00 PM

NEW BUSINESS

Open Comment Period

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5. Regular Agenda

1. Approval of the 2016 Electric Budget

Resolution: Approval of the 2016 Electric Budget

2. 2016 – 2018 Water Rate Adjustment

Resolution: 2016-2018 Water Rate Adjustment

3. Approval of the 2016 Water Budget

Resolution: 2016 Water Budget Approval

6. Other Business

7. Adjourn

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MEETING MINUTES - OCTOBER 27, 2015

COMMUNITY ROOM 4000 EAST RIVER ROAD NE ROCHESTER, MN 55906

4:00 PM

Call to Order

| Attendee Name | Title | Status | Arrived |
|----------------|-----------------|---------|---------|
| Michael Wojcik | Board Member | Present | |
| Jerry Williams | Board President | Present | |
| Dave Reichert | Board Member | Present | |
| Roger Stahl | Board Member | Late | 4:05 PM |
| Mark Browning | Board Member | Present | |
| Terry Adkins | City Attorney | Late | 4:38 PM |

1. Approval of Agenda

1. **Motion to:** approve the agenda as presented.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Mark Browning, Board Member

SECONDER: Michael Wojcik, Board Member

AYES: Michael Wojcik, Jerry Williams, Dave Reichert, Mark Browning

ABSENT: Roger Stahl

2. Approval of Minutes

1. Public Utility Board - Regular Meeting - Sep 29, 2015 4:00 PM

RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Michael Wojcik, Board Member

SECONDER: Mark Browning, Board Member

AYES: Michael Wojcik, Jerry Williams, Dave Reichert, Mark Browning

ABSENT: Roger Stahl

3. Approval of Accounts Payable

1. A/P Board Listing

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mark Browning, Board Member
SECONDER: Dave Reichert, Board Member

AYES: Michael Wojcik, Jerry Williams, Dave Reichert, Mark Browning

ABSENT: Roger Stahl

NEW BUSINESS

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Ivan Idso 101 11th St. NW: Mayor's Proclamation 100% renewable energy plan and peaker plant proposal.

Henry Hamburger 2950 Fox Valley Dr. NW: peaker plant proposal.

4. Informational

1. Preliminary 2016 Electric and Water Budgets

Peter Hogan, Director of Corporate Services, presented the preliminary 2016 Electric and Water Budgets.

The water budget was presented first. Mr. Williams asked about replacements and water infrastructure maintenance and hoped we are prioritizing infrastructure projects accordingly. Doug Klamerus, Senior Civil Engineer, said that on the current schedule about 10k feet are replaced per year based on age, materials, etc. with expenses predicted to go up.

In response to Mr. Reichert's question about the impact of the rate increase, it is \$.061 for the average customer using 7 units per month.

The board will be asked to approve the water rate increase at the November meeting and Mr. Hogan informed the board they will be coming back in January with a new cash reserves policy based on the utility method.

The Electric budget was then presented. Mr. Williams asked about the future of the Silver Lake Plant (SLP) and are we planning a change the look of the site. Wally Schlink, Director of Power Resources, replied that the decommission process is still taking place, and the board previously allocated a half million dollars per year to complete additional projects.

The additional proposed electric rate track scenarios that were asked for by the Finance Committee were presented, taking into consideration the SMMPA rate increase which costs RPU about \$1M for each 1% increase.

Mr. Williams commented; there was a genuine commitment to our rate payers with the 3 year rate track, glad we are able to stick to that commitment for 2016, although we may be in jeopardy in 2017.

Mr. Hogan said he feels comfortable with the 2016 rate and it would be his recommendation to stick with the original track for 2016.

The board will vote on the proposal at their November 10th meeting.

RESULT: NO ACTION

5. Consideration Of Bids

 West Side Energy Station Project Approval to proceed with purchase of Reciprocating Engine Generating Sets

Mark Kotschevar, General Manager, presented a short recap of the West Side Energy project that positions us long term for the impact in 2030.

The plan is flexible with changes in demand and builds a portfolio for RPU. The accelerated plan moving the peaker up is because of a favorable economic market, low exchange rates and a hedge for the utility against high energy costs. This also allows RPU to decommission GT1.

With uncertain future DMC load growth, RPU will be able to serve future loads in an efficient and reliable manner. The project supports the Mayors goal for 2031 to backup future renewable's.

Mike Borgstadt and Sandro Tombesi, from Burns and McDonnell, presented the

4:00 PM

Tuesday, October 27, 2015

Reciprocating Engine Proposal Evaluation.

- Wartsila support is located in Houston
- Recommendations: Select OEM in order to finalize studies
- Permitting
- Generation Interconnection
- Financing

Mark Browning had a question on emissions and Michael Wojcik asked how often these will be dispatched by MISO. Mark Kotshevar replied there will be fewer emissions per KWH with the new engines. The engines will be dispatched based on the MISO market. Mr. Browning also commented that this ties in with our infrastructure plan. Jeremy Sutton commented that we have the opportunity to collect additional revenue as well.

Mr. Kotschevar commented that although there are both benefits and risks to our customers by doing this project there is a financial reason for doing this today rather than waiting.

Resolution: West Side Energy Station Project Approval to proceed with purchase of Reciprocating Engine Generating Sets

The board approved the resolution reading as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, and to recommend approval by the Rochester Common Council to approve an agreement with Wartsila North America and authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the agreement for:

West Side Energy Station Project- Approval to proceed with purchase of Reciprocating Engine Generator Sets

The amount of the agreement, contingent on the approval of the RPU General Manager and the Rochester City Attorney for an amount not to exceed, TWENTY TWO MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$22,500,000) and the execution of a final agreement defining the terms of the purchase.

Passed by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, this 27th day of October, 2015.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Roger Stahl, Board Member

SECONDER: Dave Reichert, Board Member

AYES: Wojcik, Williams, Reichert, Stahl, Browning

6. Regular Agenda

1. Epic - Amendment to Escrow and Disbursement Agreement

President Williams asked that the two Epic resolutions be discussed together. Sidney Jackson, Director of Core Services, presented the background regarding the Epic agreements and wanted to recognize Terry Adkins, Mr. Mark Utz, and RPU Staff for their collaborative efforts. Mr. Jackson introduced Mr. Utz, from Wendland Utz, and Mr. Bruce Richards, Chief Engineer from Epic. Mr. Utz presented the Amendment to the Escrow Agreement and the approval of the

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Memorandum Of Understanding and asked if the board would designate an RPU representative to execute agreements on behalf of RPU.

Bruce Richards commented that Epic brings a long term commitment. There will be 80-90 staff to start with and can grow to 3 times that inside the proposed facility.

Resolution: Epic - Amendment to Escrow and Disbursement Agreement

The board approved the resolution reading as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, to approve an Amendment of the Escrow and Disbursement Agreement for:

Professional Services Agreement - Substation Engineering

to reflect the changes to Exhibit A.

Passed by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, this 27th day of October, 2015.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 0]

MOVER: Roger Stahl, Board Member SECONDER: Michael Wojcik, Board Member

AYES: Michael Wojcik, Jerry Williams, Dave Reichert, Roger Stahl

ABSTAIN: Mark Browning

2. Epic Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Resolution: Epic Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

The board approved the amended resolution to include language by the City Attorney, reading as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Rochester, a Minnesota municipal corporation, acting by and through its Public Utility Board and Epic Hosting LLC and authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the agreement for:

Epic MOU: Douglas Trail Substation

and approval of any other attendant or subsequent resolutions or agreements consistent with the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and/or Escrow agreement as determined by the General Manager and City Attorney.

Passed by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, this 27th day of October, 2015.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 0]

MOVER: Roger Stahl, Board Member SECONDER: Michael Wojcik, Board Member

AYES: Michael Wojcik, Jerry Williams, Dave Reichert, Roger Stahl

ABSTAIN: Mark Browning

CapX - Self Performance Agreement

Randy Anderton, Senior Electrical Engineer, gave an overview of the project. Terry Adkins, City Attorney, has reviewed the document.

This allows RPU to be reimburse for project expenses.

Resolution: CapX - Self Performance Agreement

The board approved the resolution reading as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, to approve the;

City of Rochester Relocated Owners TL Self-Performance Agreement and authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the agreements.

Passed by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, this 27th day of October, 2015.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Dave Reichert, Board Member
SECONDER: Mark Browning, Board Member

AYES: Wojcik, Williams, Reichert, Stahl, Browning

4. Saint Mary's Tower - New Cingular Wireless (AT&T) Lease Amendment

Mona Hoeft, Buyer said this is a minor adjustment to the lease agreement, adding 3 radio heads and the rate was going up slightly.

Resolution: Saint Mary's Tower - New Cingular Wireless (AT&T) Lease Amendment

The board approved the resolution reading as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, to approve a lease amendment with

New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) for the Saint Mary's

Tower

and authorize the General Manager and City Attorney to approve any final technical changes prior to execution by the Mayor and City Clerk.

Passed by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, this 27th day of October, 2015.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Dave Reichert, Board Member
SECONDER: Michael Wojcik, Board Member

AYES: Wojcik, Williams, Reichert, Stahl, Browning

Sale of 0.65 Acres of RPU Service Center Property

Bill Cook, Director of Field Services gave an overview of the proposed sale. The County needs the property to complete the 55th Street Extension Project, requiring the sale of 0.65 acres of Service Center Property, temporary easement on 0.64 acres and moving of fencing and access gates. The work will be completed in 2016. The appraised value is as follows:

Acquisition - \$169,884

Temporary Easement - \$16,727

Additional Damages (fencing) - \$16,989

Resolution: Sale of 0.65 Acres of RPU Service Center Property

The board approved the resolution reading as follows:

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, to approve a resolution authorizing the sale of the property and execution of the warranty deed and memorandum of agreement by the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the agreement for:

The Sale of 0.65 Acres of RPU Service Center Property

Passed by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, this 27th day of October, 2015.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Dave Reichert, Board Member

SECONDER: Mark Browning, Board Member

AYES: Wojcik, Williams, Reichert, Stahl, Browning

7. General Managers Report

Mark Kotschevar gave his General Managers update:

- There will be a special board meeting on November 10 to approve the budget and then it will go to the Council on 11/16 for approval.
- We are continuing to negotiate with Xcel for CapX we will hold a closed session at the 11/10 Board meeting to update the board at 3:30 PM.
- The bond refunding went better than expected.
- Minnesota Section of the AWWA meeting; Hydrant Hysteria & Meter Madness- Tim Jestus and Rich Rain took 3rd place.
- Terry Adkins and myself attended the APPA Legal seminar, some of the highlights:
 - FERC
 - Pole attachments
 - Electrifying transportation system
 - o Drones use

8. Division Reports & Metrics

9. Other Business

10. Adjourn

1. **Motion to:** adjourn the meeting at 6:20 PM.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Roger Stahl, Board Member
SECONDER: Dave Reichert, Board Member

AYES: Wojcik, Williams, Reichert, Stahl, Browning

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| Submitted by: | |
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| | Secretary |
| Approved by the Board | Board President |
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Date

Agenda Item # (ID # 4710) Meeting Date: 11/10/2015

SUBJECT: Approval of the 2016 Electric Budget

PREPARED BY: Peter Hogan

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

The preliminary 2016 electric budget was reviewed with the finance and audit committee on October 20th, 2015 and the full Board on October 27th, 2015. The budget as presented reflects a reduction of approximately \$4.5 million in operating and capital expenses from staff's original submissions in order to meet the 2014 cost of service study recommendations and approved rate track for 2016.

The significant drivers for the 2016 budget are:

- Electric rate increases have been approved for 2016 @ 1.7% and 2017 @ 1.7%
- Our SMMPA wholesale rate for 2016 will increase by 6%
- Continuation of prudent investments into our system to improve reliability, service, safety, and to serve new growth
- Investment in the West Side Energy Station with an in service date of 2018.
- Investments in IT systems and distribution systems
- Increased debt service payments for the completion of CAPX 2020 project and funding of the West Side Energy Station.
- Continued funding for our energy conservation programs
- Movement towards the financial targets set with the 2014 cost of service study:
 - o Change in Net Assets goal for 2016: \$9,950,000
 - o Debt Service Coverage Ratio, excluding PILOT, of 3.0 times or greater
 - o Minimum cash reserves for 2016:

Budget \$41,064,000; Cash Reserve Policy \$50,419,000

Summary financial sheets are attached reflecting the recommended budget. Staff will be available to answer questions.

UTILITY BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Management recommends that the Board approve and request City Council approval of the

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Meeting Date: 11/10/2015

2016 RPU electric operating and capital improvement budget.

(ID # 4710)

Agenda Item #

ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES ELECTRIC UTILITY 2016 OPERATING BUDGET

BASIC ASSUMPTIONS

· Cost center budgets set at level used in cost-of-service study

No assumptions have been made with regards to DMC
 Interest Earnings Rate: 1.0%
 Average Salary Expense Change: 3.0%

(consists of COLA, merit and promotion increases)

Change in Full-time Equivalents:

SMMPA Wholesale Power Cost: 6.0% increase
 SMMPA CROD Level: 216 MW

• Cash Reserve Requirements: Current policy amount \$50,419,000

RETAIL REVENUES / SALES

• Revenue Adjustment: 1.70%

Electric KWH Sales Forecast:
 Total Electric Utility Customers:
 2.5 % Increase from 2015 F2 Year End Projected Sales
 0.8% Increase over Year End 2015 F2 Projected Customers

• Forecast Assumes Normal Weather: 495 Cooling Degree Days

WHOLESALE REVENUES / SALES & EXPENSES

Wholesale Revenue Forecasts

o Silver Lake Plant \$0 o Cascade Creek Gas Turbines \$672,579 o Steam Generation \$4,456,844

Total \$5,129,423 (32.6% decrease from Y/E 2015 F2 Projected Revenue)

Estimated Cost of Fuel 2016 \$4.026 / mmBtu
 Budgeted Cost of Fuel 2015 F2 \$7.187 / mmBtu

OTHER ITEMS

• In Lieu of Tax forecast increasing \$246,900

ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES ELECTRIC UTILITY Management Reporting P&L

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| 4 | | Historica | al Data | 2015 | | | 2016 | Variance | % |
| 5 | in 000's | 2013 | 2014 | Orig Bdgt | 2015 F2 | 2016 | Orig Bdgt | 2016 to Orig Bdgt | Variance |
| 5 | RPU Rate Increase | 0.0% | 3.0% | 3.5% | 2013 FZ | 1.7% | Olig Bugt | bugi | Variance |
| 6 | Revenue | | | | | | | | |
| 7 | Retail Electric | \$128,864 | \$130,448 | \$137,437 | \$134,420 | \$144,316 | \$140,741 | \$3,575 | 2.5% |
| 8 | Wholesale Electric | \$4,786 | \$2,848 | \$2,477 | \$2,028 | \$673 | \$1,393 | (\$720) | -51.7% |
| 9 | Wholesale Steam | \$4,850 | \$6,744 | \$6,459 | \$5,583 | \$4,457 | \$4,864 | (\$407) | -8.4% |
| 10 | Transmission | \$0 | \$134 | \$200 | \$1,397 | \$4,400 | \$0 | \$4,400 | 0.0% |
| 11 | Other Services & Fees Total Revenue | \$2,478 \$140,978 | \$2,787 | \$3,037 \$149,609 | \$2,833 \$146,261 | \$3,090 | \$6,562 | (\$3,472) | -52.9% 2.2% |
| 12 | Total Revenue | \$140,978 | \$142,961 | \$149,609 | \$140,201 | \$156,935 | \$153,560 | \$3,375 | 2.2% |
| 13 | Cost of Revenue SMMPA Rate Increase | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | | 6.0% | | | |
| 14 | Power Supply | \$88,020 | \$87,392 | \$91,044 | \$88,229 | \$95,919 | \$95,628 | \$292 | 0.3% |
| 15 | Generation Fuel | \$5,172 | \$4,828 | \$4,001 | \$3,478 | \$2,890 | \$3,606 | (\$716) | -19.8% |
| 16 | Total Cost of Revenue | \$93,193 | \$92,221 | \$95,045 | \$91,706 | \$98,809 | \$99,233 | (\$424) | -0.4% |
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| 17 | Gross Margin | 440.044 | 642.056 | 445 202 | ć46.402 | 440.20 6 | 645 443 | ć2 202 | 7.20/ |
| 18 | Retail Electric Wholesale | \$40,844 | \$43,056 | \$46,393 | \$46,192 | \$48,396 | \$45,113 | \$3,283 | 7.3% |
| 19 20 | Transmission | \$4,463 \$0 | \$4,763 \$134 | \$4,935 \$200 | \$4,133 \$1,397 | \$2,240 \$4,400 | \$2,651 \$0 | (\$412) \$4,400 | -15.5% 0.0% |
| 21 | Other Services & Fees | \$2,478 | \$2,787 | \$3,037 | \$2,833 | \$3,090 | \$6,562 | (\$3,472) | -52.9% |
| | TOTAL GROSS MARGIN | \$47,785 | \$50,741 | \$54,565 | \$54,555 | \$58,126 | \$54,327 | \$3,799 | 7.5% |
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| 23 | Controllable Costs | | | | | | | | |
| 24 | Salaries & Benefits | \$18,904 | \$18,384 | \$18,871 | \$18,572 | \$19,682 | \$19,874 | (\$192) | -1.0% |
| 25 | Other Operating Expenses | \$9,812 | \$9,702 | \$9,167 | \$9,280 | \$9,361 | \$9,942 | (\$581) | -5.8% |
| 26 27 | Major Maintenance | \$496 | \$1,961 | \$5,708 | \$5,009 \$7,075 | \$4,191 | \$1,912 \$6,345 | \$2,278 | 119.1% |
| | Non-Bonded Capital Projects TOTAL CONTROLLABLE COSTS | \$6,601 \$35,813 | \$7,437 \$37,485 | \$8,065 \$41,811 | \$7,975 \$40,836 | \$7,914 \$41,147 | \$38,072 | \$1,569 \$3,074 | 24.7% 8.1% |
| 20 | TOTAL CONTROLLABLE COSTS | 455,615 | 437,403 | +1,011 | Ψ10,030 | V-1,1-1 | 730,072 | 75,074 | 0.170 |
| 29 | Depreciation & Amortization | \$10,565 | \$10,446 | \$11,850 | \$10,994 | \$11,244 | \$9,989 | \$1,255 | 12.6% |
| 30 | Less Non Bonded Projects (capitalized) | (\$6,601) | (\$7,437) | (\$8,065) | (\$7,975) | (\$7,914) | (\$6,345) | (\$1,569) | 24.7% |
| 31 | Less Total Internal Costs (capitalized) | (\$2,724) | (\$3,125) | (\$2,678) | (\$2,584) | (\$4,180) | (\$1,230) | (\$2,949) | 239.8% |
| 32 | Interutility Allocation | (\$1,201) | (\$1,257) | (\$1,413) | (\$1,227) | (\$1,313) | (\$1,388) | \$75 | -5.4% |
| 33 | Total Operating Expenses | \$35,853 | \$36,111 | \$41,505 | \$40,043 | \$38,984 | \$39,099 | (\$114) | -0.3% |
| 24 | Not Operating Income (Local | ¢11 022 | ¢14.630 | ¢12.000 | Ć14 F11 | ¢10.143 | Ć1F 220 | ć2 014 | 3F 79/ |
| 34 | Net Operating Income (Loss) | \$11,933 | \$14,630 | \$13,059 | \$14,511 | \$19,142 | \$15,228 | \$3,914 | 25.7% |
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| 35 | Financing & Other Non-Operating Items: | | | | | | | | |
| 36 | Bond & Interest Related Expenses | (\$3,552) | (\$3,502) | (\$3,473) | (\$3,530) | (\$3,981) | (\$4,626) | \$645 | -13.9% |
| 37 | Interest Income | (\$80) | \$369 | \$470 | \$332 | \$644 | \$450 | \$194 | 43.0% |
| 38 | Misc Non-Operating Income (Expense) | (\$143) | (\$242) | (\$111) | (\$64) | (\$96) | (\$114) | \$18 | -15.9% |
| 39 | Total Financing & Non-Operating Items | (\$3,775) | (\$3,375) | (\$3,115) | (\$3,263) | (\$3,433) | (\$4,289) | \$857 | -20.0% |
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| 40 | Income Before Transfers or Capital Contributions | \$8,158 | \$11,255 | \$9,944 | \$11,249 | \$15,709 | \$10,938 | \$4,771 | 43.6% |
| 41 | Transfers (In Lieu of Taxes) | (\$8,307) | (\$8,264) | (\$8,738) | (\$8,491) | (\$8,738) | (\$9,059) | \$321 | -3.5% |
| 42 | Capital Contributions | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.0% |
| 43 | Special Items | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0.0% |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| 44 | NET INCOME | (\$149) | \$2,992 | \$1,206 | \$2,757 | \$6,971 | \$1,879 | \$5,092 | 271.0% |
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| 45 | 1/01 Cash Balance | | \$ 42,737 | \$ 39,808 | \$ 38,644 | \$ 39,019 | \$ 36,835 | \$ 2,183 | 5.9% |
| 46 | Change in Net Assets | | 2,992 | 1,206 | 2,757 | 6,971 | \$ 1,879 | 5,092 | 271.0% |
| 47 | Depreciation & Amortization | | 10,446 | 11,850 | 10,994 | 11,244 | | 1,255 | 12.6% |
| 48 | Capital Additions/Service Territory Comp | | (20,548) | (30,342) | (25,733) | (40,757) | | (29,683) | 268.0% |
| 49 | Bond Principal Payments | | (4,270) | (3,765) | (3,765) | (3,895) | | 0 | 0.0% |
| 50 | Bond Proceeds | | - | 12,400 | - | 96,600 | | 93,100 | 2660.0% |
| 51 | Net Change in Other Assets/Liabilities | | 7,288 | 6,634 | 16,122 | (70,930) | \$ - | (70,930) | 0.0% |
| | Not Changes in Co-t | - | (4.000) | (2.047) | 274 | /76-1 | 200 | (4.450) | 202 524 |
| 52 | Net Changes in Cash | | (4,093) | (2,017) | 374 | (767) | 399 | (1,166) | -292.5% |
| 53 | 12/31 Cash Balance | | \$ 38,644 | \$ 37,791 | \$ 39,019 | \$ 38,251 | \$ 37,234 | \$ 1,017 | 2.7% |
| | Reserve Target | | \$ 35,300 | \$ 37,000 | | \$ 50,419 | | \$ 12,819 | 34.1% |
| | Excess (Deficit) from Target | = | \$ 3,344 | | \$ (8,739) | \$ (12,168) | | \$ (11,802) | 3225.9% |
| 56 | Cash Balance as % of Reserve Target | - | | | 81.7% | 75.9% | 99.0% | | |
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ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES CAPITAL AND MAJOR MAINTENANCE PLAN MATERIALS, SUPPLIES & SERVICE PROJECT BREAKDOWN ON 5 YEAR SUMMARY

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ELECTRIC UTILITY (\$000's)

| 7 | | <u>2016</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2019</u> | 2020 | 5-Yr Total |
|----------|--|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------|---------------|
| | ore Services | | | | | | |
| 9 | NERC CIP V5 Low Impact Facilities | 60 | 130 | - | - | - | 190 |
| 10 | Lump Sum Tree Trimming | 649 | 651 | 658 | 648 | 500 | 3,107 |
| 11 12 | Hourly Tree Trimming | 380 25 | 361 | 343 | 326 | 326 | 1,736 |
| 13 | Multi-Range Phasing Tool Allocation - New Services | 1,494 | 1,513 | 1,580 | 1,647 | 1,713 | 7, 947 |
| 14 | New Service Installations | 450 | 533 | 600 | 667 | 733 | 2,983 |
| 15 | Overhead Replacements | 40 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 40 | 200 |
| 16 | Pole Replacement | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 125 |
| 17 | Manhole Repair and Replacement | 64 | - | | | | 64 |
| 18 | Annual Underground Cable Replacements (URD) | 700 | 700 | 700 | 700 | 700 | 3,500 |
| 19 | Other Projects | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 500 |
| 20 | Property Damage - Repair/Replace | 85 | 85 | 85 | 85 | 85 | 425 |
| 21 | Other Equipment Failures | 30 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 150 |
| 22 | Mobile Meter Reader | 30 | - | 45 | - | - | 75 |
| 23 | Transition Substation Equipment to Fiber | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 250 |
| 24 | Metering/Shop Test Equipment Upgrade/Repl | 40 | - | - | - | | 40 |
| 25 | Substation/Shop Test Equipment Upgrade/Repl | 65 | - | 35 | - | | 100 |
| 26 | Remote Disconnect Meters | 140 | - | - | - | | 140 |
| 27 | Allocation - Metering/AMR | 313 | 649 | 416 | 345 | 355 | 2,079 |
| 28 | 345kV Transmission Project HC/Roch/LaCrosse | 5,428 | - | - | - | | 5,428 |
| 29 | Chester CapX | 15 | - | - 10 | - 45 | - | 15 |
| 30 | Downtown Electric Resource Planning Study | 40 | 20 | 10 | 15 | 50 | 135 |
| 31 | Substation Transformer Blast Walls | 400 | 50 | - | - | 50 | 100 |
| 32 33 | Q6 Reroute for 55th St Extension Q7 Rebuild to Grade B | 490 | - | 250 | 250 | 250 | 490 750 |
| 34 | Feeder 306 Install | - | | 300 | 250 | 250 | 300 |
| 35 | Feeder 615 Install | - | 250 | 300 | | | 250 |
| 36 | Feeder 715 Install | | - | | - | 200 | 200 |
| 37 | Feeder 902 Install | 165 | | | | | 165 |
| 38 | Feeder 913 Install | | | - | | 150 | 150 |
| 39 | Feeder 1315 Install | - | - | - | 200 | | 200 |
| 40 | Feeder 1602 Install | - | - | 200 | - | | 200 |
| 41 | Feeder 1701 Install | - | 50 | - | - | - | 50 |
| 42 | Feeder 1702 Install | - | 65 | - | - | - | 65 |
| 43 | Feeder 1703 Install | - | - | - | 200 | - | 200 |
| 44 | Downtown Distribution Duct Systems | - | 300 | 2,000 | 200 | 1,000 | 3,500 |
| 45 | Downtown Feeder Extensions | - | - | - | 500 | 500 | 1,000 |
| 46 | Q2 Rebuild from Bear Creek - RCTC | - | - | 250 | - | | 250 |
| 47 | Q11 W.C. to new St. Bridget Sub - ROW | - | 300 | - | - | | 300 |
| 48 | Q11 W.C. to new St. Bridget Sub - Constr | - | - | - | 200 | 750 | 950 |
| 49 | Willow Creek Expansion for Q11 | - | - | - | 200 | 500 | 700 |
| 50 | St. Bridget Sub | - | 4 470 | - | - | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| 51 | Cascade Creek T2 Upgrade | 4.405 | 1,470 | - | - | | 1,470 |
| 52 53 | Douglas Trail Substation Replace Willow Creek Switchgear | 1,105 | (14) | | 500 | | 1,091 |
| 53 54 | Replace Cascade Creek Switchgear | 1 | | <u> </u> | 300 | 550 | 550 |
| 55 | Replace Zumbro River Switchgear | 1 | | | | 550 | 550 |
| 56 | Downtown Capacity Addition | | | 4,000 | 2,000 | - 330 | 6,000 |
| 57 | Distribution Planning Study | 90 | 65 | 65 | 70 | 70 | 360 |
| 58 | Insite Survey Tool | 20 | - | - | - | - | 20 |
| 59 | Feeder 1604 Extension | 125 | - | | | | 125 |
| 60 | 10th St NE - Convert from OH to URD | 300 | - | - | - | | 300 |
| 61 | Fiber Willow Creek to Bamber Valley | 47 | - | - | - | | 47 |
| 62 | Allocation - Distribution Expansion | 1,630 | 1,865 | 1,955 | 2,180 | 2,540 | 10,170 |
| 63 | Feeder Extensions | 210 | 415 | 360 | 650 | 950 | 2,585 |
| 64 | Feeder Rebuilds | 60 | 120 | 240 | 230 | 120 | 770 |
| 65 | Minor Transmission Projects | 195 | 60 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 465 |
| 66 | Minor Substation Projects | 205 | 245 | 190 | 70 | 100 | 810 |
| 67 | Road Projects | 200 | 85 | 150 | 250 | 165 | 850 |
| 68 | Capacitor Bank Installations | 100 | 140 | 130 | 60 | 60 | 490 |
| 69 | Fiber Optic Projects | 35 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 265 | 600 |
| 70 | Distribution Transformers | 625 | 650 | 675 | 700 | 750 | 3,400 |
| 71 | Overhead to Underground Conversion | - | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 200 |
| 72 | Service Territory Payments | 400 | 425 | 425 | 425 | 425 | 2,100 |
| 73 | Total Core Services | 13,102 | 8,200 | 12,582 | 9,956 | 11,529 | 55,369 |

ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES CAPITAL AND MAJOR MAINTENANCE PLAN MATERIALS, SUPPLIES & SERVICE PROJECT BREAKDOWN ON 5 YEAR SUMMARY

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ELECTRIC UTILITY (\$000's)

| SIEM Solution | 7 | | <u>2016</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2019</u> | <u>2020</u> | 5-Yr Total |
|--|----------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| Total Customer Relations | | | | 2 970 | 500 | | | 2 270 |
| Total Corporate Services | | | | , | | | _ | |
| File Cost-of-Sinc/Rate Design Study - 66 | 70 | Total Gustomer Relations | - | 2,019 | 500 | | | 3,379 |
| Budgeting/Forcasting System Implementation | | | | | | | | |
| RPIT Support Contract | | | - | | - | - | | |
| Substation Communications | | | 284 | | | | 284 | |
| NSX Implementation | | | | | | | | |
| SIEM Solution | | | | - | | - | | 268 |
| Network Management | | | | - | - | - | - | 108 |
| Cuptor Management | | O, | 644 | 665 | 665 | 665 | 665 | 3,304 |
| Server Management | | | | | | | | 1,096 |
| Workstation Management SS 90 90 90 90 91 92 93 94 94 94 94 94 94 94 | | · · · | | | | | | 75 |
| Backup/DR | | | | | | | | |
| Information Risk and Security | | | | | | | | |
| Storage Management 30 60 60 60 60 60 270 | | | | | | | | |
| Total Corporate Services 3,029 1,124 949 949 949 7,000 | | · | | | | | | 270 |
| Field Services AutoCAD Record Drawing 42 | 92 | Business Systems/Applications | 92 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 332 |
| AutoCAD Record Drawing | 93 | Total Corporate Services | 3,029 | 1,124 | 949 | 949 | 949 | 7,000 |
| AutoCAD Record Drawing | 04 Ei | ald Sarvicas | | | | | | |
| Section Sect | | | 12 | _ | _ | _ | | 12 |
| Building Expansion | | | | | | | | |
| Physical Security 35 75 75 30 30 245 | | | | | | 3.670 | | 4,120 |
| 100 Security Assessment | 98 | | | 75 | 75 | | 30 | 245 |
| Pickup - Grounds 33 - - - 33 3 - - - | 99 | Substation Exhaust Fans | - | 110 | - | - | - | 110 |
| Pickup - GIS | | | - | 95 | - | - | - | 95 |
| Flatbed Truck - T&D | | | | - | - | | | 33 |
| Allocation - Facilities Maintenance 256 464 478 247 237 1,682 | | | | | | | | |
| Allocation - Fleet 657 712 732 945 330 3,376 | | | | | | | | |
| Total Field Services 2,797 1,456 1,285 4,891 597 11,027 | | | | | | | | |
| 107 Power Resources 108 West Side Energy Station 17,746 50,025 7,049 - - 74,819 109 Allocation - Power Resources Maintenance 855 140 540 822 905 3,262 110 Allocation - Power Resources Capital - 875 500 250 200 1,825 111 Total Power Resources 18,601 51,040 8,089 1,072 1,105 79,906 112 General Management | | Total Field Services | | | | | | |
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| 112 General Management | 110 | · | - | 875 | 500 | 250 | 200 | 1,825 |
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| 113 Wood Pole Fall Restraint Equipment 5 | 112 G e | neral Management | | | | | | |
| Total Outside Expenditures 1,932 3,911 240 104 130 6,317 | 440 | Wood Pole Fall Restraint Equipment | 5 | - | _ | - | | 5 |
| Fall Protection | | AED's | - | - | - | - | 8 | 8 |
| 117 Project Contingency Fund 700 700 700 700 700 3,500 118 Operating Contingency Fund 300 300 300 300 300 300 300 300 1,500 119 Total General Management 1,045 1,005 1,005 1,005 1,013 5,073 120 Total Outside Expenditures 38,573 65,704 24,410 17,873 15,193 161,754 121 Capitalized Interest 1,932 3,911 240 104 130 6,317 122 Total Internal Expenditures 4,689 5,492 4,064 3,820 4,404 22,468 123 Less Bonding (28,664) (55,692) (13,289) (6,374) (3,380) (107,399) | 115 | | 10 | - | - | - | - | 10 |
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| | 122 | Total Internal Expenditures | 4,689 | 5,492 | 4,064 | 3,820 | 4,404 | 22,468 |
| 124 Net Capital & Major Maintenance Plan 16,530 19,416 15,425 15,423 16,347 83,140 | 123 | | (28,664) | (55,692) | (13,289) | (6,374) | (3,380) | (107,399) |
| | 124 | Net Capital & Major Maintenance Plan | 16,530 | 19,416 | 15,425 | 15,423 | 16,347 | 83,140 |



RESOLUTION

| BE IT RESOLVED by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, | and that the | Э |
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| Common Council of the said City is requested to approve the: | | |

2016 RPU Electric Operating and Capital Improvement Budget.

| Passed by the November, 2015 | Utility | Board | of | the | City | of | Rochester, | Minnesota, | this | 10th | day | of |
|---------------------------------|---------|-------|----|-----|------|----|------------|------------|------|------|-----|----|
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Secretary

Agenda Item # (ID # 4708) Meeting Date: 11/10/2015

SUBJECT: 2016 – 2018 Water Rate Adjustment

PREPARED BY: Peter Hogan

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Rochester Home Rule Charter Chapter 15.05, Subd. 3 states, "The public utility board may adopt, amend, and rescind such rules and regulations as it may deem necessary for the control, management, and operation of the public utilities under its jurisdiction. The board shall, with the concurrence of the common council, fix the rates to be charged for the availability and use of the public utility commodities and services under its jurisdiction. Rates shall be reasonable and compensatory so as to cover all of the costs of the respective public utility and shall be uniform for all consumers within the same class, but different rates may be established for different classifications by the board. Rates within the city corporate limits may be less but shall be no greater than rates for the same classification outside the city limits."

Based on the Charter, the RPU Board has further developed a policy for determining rates. The main objective of the policy is, "to recover, through the application of rates and charges for utility services, revenues which are sufficient to meet the financial obligations of each independent utility enterprise. Further, the Board intends to apply rates and charges which are equitable among customer or classes of customers based on generally accepted industry rate-making principles."

With this guidance staff conducted a Cost of Service Study for the water utility during 2015. The Board, during a study session on June 30, 2015 instructed management to:

- 1. Develop a levelized three year rate track.
- 2. Align fixed costs with fixed charges and variable costs with variable charges.
- 3. Align rates by the cost of services for each class of customer as required in the charter.
- 4. Allocate rate changes 1/3 to commodity charge and 2/3 to customer charger which reflects the breakdown of the overall percentage change needed to align with costs based on the study.
- 5. Adopt the utility method of rate setting that sets a targeted change in net assets (Net Income); minimum cash reserve level and when debt is present, a debt coverage ratio.

A draft water rate proposal was presented at the August Board meeting based on the Board's guidance and reviewed at the September 10th study session. At the September Board meeting, the Board accepted and placed on file the Water Cost of Service Study and authorized the preliminary notice to the public of the intent to increase the overall general water rate by up to 6.0% in 2016, 6.0% in 2017 and 6.0% in 2018 based on the individual rate class recommendations on or about January 1st of each year.

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At the October 27, 2015 Board meeting, staff presented the 2016 budget for the water utility that included the proposed 6.0% retail revenue increase for 2016 which supports and provides for prudent investments in infrastructure while working toward a sound financial position.

The water cost of service study and proposed water rates assumes normal growth and replacement of infrastructure. Unfunded DMC projects or other large unanticipated expenses may impact this rate track.

The impact of the rate track attached on the average residential customer using 7 CCF monthly is \$0.61 per month. This included the impact of reducing the residential hydrant change by \$0.32 per month. The commodity charge for 1 CCF ranges from \$0.75 to \$0.95, so conservation of 1 CCF per month would offset the proposed rate change in most cases.

A notice of the proposed revenue adjustment was provided to the public via the paper of record.

Management recommends that the Board proceed with a recommendation to the City Council for a three year rate track for 2016 - 6.0%; 2017 - 6.0% and 2018 - 6.0%

Attached are the updated tariff sheets reflecting these changes.

UTILITY BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Request approval and recommend City Council approval of a three year rate track for 2016 - 6.0%; 2017 - 6.0% and 2018 - 6.0% overall general water rate increase to the following customer classes effective January 1, 2016:

Water Service WTR - C

Fire Hydrant Facilities Charge FHFC

ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES (RPU)

RATE SCHEDULE WTR-C SHEET 1 OF 1

WATER SERVICE

AVAILABILITY:

At all locations within the Rochester City limits and at locations external to the City limits, that have been authorized by the Rochester Common Council.

MONTHLY RATE:

| Customer Charge: | Size of Meter | 2015 | <u>2016</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> |
|-------------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 5/8" | \$ 5.53 | \$ 6.26 | \$ 6.84 | \$ 7.50 |
| | 3/4" | \$ 7.86 | \$ 8.89 | \$ 9.72 | \$ 10.66 |
| | 1" | \$ 12.63 | \$ 14.29 | \$ 15.62 | \$ 17.14 |
| | 1-1/2" | \$ 24.38 | \$ 27.58 | \$ 30.14 | \$ 33.07 |
| | 2" | \$ 38.48 | \$ 43.54 | \$ 47.59 | \$ 52.21 |
| | 3" | \$ 71.59 | \$ 81.00 | \$ 88.53 | \$ 97.13 |
| | 4" | \$ 118.78 | \$ 134.39 | \$ 146.88 | \$ 161.15 |
| | 6" | \$ 236.75 | \$ 267.86 | \$ 292.76 | \$ 321.20 |
| | 8" | \$ 423.40 | \$ 479.03 | \$ 523.56 | \$ 574.42 |
| Commodity Charge | Rate/CCF: | 2015 | <u>2016</u> | 2017 | 2018 |
| Residential 0 | - 7 CCF | 72.7¢ | 75.5¢ | 78.5¢ | 81.3¢ |
| 7 | .01 - 12 CCF | 79.9¢ | 82.7¢ | 85.7¢ | 88.5¢ |
| 12 | .01 and over CCF | 91.9¢ | 94.7¢ | 97.7¢ | 100.5¢ |
| Commercial: | | 72.7¢ | 75.5¢ | 78.5¢ | 81.3¢ |
| Industrial: | | 72.7¢ | 75.5¢ | 78.5¢ | 81.3¢ |
| Interdepartmental: | | 72.7¢ | 75.5¢ | 78.5¢ | 81.3¢ |
| Irrigation Meter (Al | l Classes): | 91.9¢ | 94.7¢ | 97.7¢ | 100.5¢ |

NOTE: Customers whose service is taken outside the Rochester city limits with individual water systems not connected to the City water system shall have a rate of 2.0 times the customer and commodity charges.

MINIMUM BILL:

Applicable monthly customer charge according to size of meter provided.

PAYMENT:

Payments are due on or before the due date.

CONDITIONS OF DELIVERY:

- 1. Service furnished under this rate schedule is subject to connection policies of the Rochester City Council.
- 2. Service furnished under this rate schedule is subject to provisions of RPU's Water Service Rules and Regulations.
- 3. RPU shall not be liable for damage or loss sustained by customer in conjunction with taking service under this rate.
- 4. Water furnished under this rate shall not be resold.

Approved by Rochester Public Utility Board: November 10, 2015 Effective Date: January 1, 2016

ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES (RPU)

RATE SCHEDULE FHFC SHEET 1 OF 1

FIRE HYDRANT FACILITIES CHARGE

APPLICABILITY:

To all residential and commercial and industrial water utility customers.

MONTHLY RATE:

| Customer Class | <u>2015</u> | <u>2016</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Residential | \$ 1.22 | \$.90 | \$.90 | \$.90 |
| Commercial/Industrial | \$ 2.43 | \$3.50 | \$3.70 | \$3.70 |

BILLINGS:

Billings will be on a monthly basis.

PAYMENT:

Payments are due on or before the due date.

CONDITIONS OF DELIVERY:

- 1. RPU shall not be liable for any damage or loss sustained by customer resulting from interruptions, deficiencies, or imperfections of service provided under this rate.
- 2. The rate will not be applied to water service meters that are used exclusively for irrigation purposes.
- 3. The rate will not be applied to water service meters that are not connected to the City's central water system.
- 4. The rate will be applied regardless of the property's water service status (active or non-active).

Approved by Rochester Public Utility Board: Effective Date:

November 10, 2015 January 1, 2016



RESOLUTION

| BE IT RESOLVED by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, | and that | the |
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| Common Council of the said City is requested to approve: | | |

2016-2018 Water Rate Adjustment

A three year rate track for 2016-6%; 2017- 6% and 2018- 6% overall general water rate increase to the following customer classes effective January 1, 2016:

Water Service WTR - C

Fire Hydrant Facilities Charge FHFC

Passed by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, this 10th day of November, 2015.

| President | | |
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| Secretary | | |

Agenda Item # (ID # 4712) Meeting Date: 11/10/2015

SUBJECT: Approval of the 2016 Water Budget

PREPARED BY: Peter Hogan

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

During 2015 we conducted a cost of service study that was reviewed during a Board study session in June and at subsequent study sessions and board meetings to identify a recommended three year rate track that sets the Water Utility on a sustainable financial track.

The budget was presented to the finance and audit committee on October 20th, 2015 and the full Board on October 27th, 2015. It Incorporates the 6% rate increase identified in the cost of service study which reverses a negative financial trend and starts the process of attaining a targeted change in net assets of \$3,292,000 and minimum cash reserve levels of \$5,189,000. The significant drivers for the 2016 water budget are:

- · Adoption of the utility method of rate setting base on cost of service
- Establishment of target change in net assets of \$3,292,000
- Completion of well #41
- Completion of St. Bridget's Rd SE water tower, reimbursed from WAC funds
- Increase in water main replacements in conjunction with street reconstructions
- Water tower painting and cleaning

This final budget supports the need for continued investment in infrastructure, maintenance and replacement reserves to avoid large unfunded outlays of capital in future years. The cost of service study identified the need to align our fixed charges with fixed revenues and variable charges with commodity costs to ensure the financial stability and sustainability of the water utility. This has been incorporated into the rate design.

Summary financial sheets are attached reflecting the recommended budget. Staff will be available to answer questions.

UTILITY BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Management recommends that the Board approve and request City Council approval of the 2016 RPU water operating and capital improvement budget.

ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES WATER UTILITY 2016 OPERATING BUDGET

BASIC ASSUMPTIONS

• Interest Earnings Rate: 1.0%

• Average Salary Expense Change: 2.7%

(consists of COLA, merit and promotion increases)

• Change in Full-time Equivalents: 0

• Cash Reserve Requirements: Policy Amount \$2,652,135

RETAIL REVENUES / SALES

• Revenue Adjustment: 6.0%

Water CCF Sales Forecast:
 1.3% Increase from 2015 Projected Sales

Total Water Utility Customers:
 1.0% Increase over Y/E 2015 Projected Customers

Forecast Assumes Normal Weather: 495 Cooling Degree Days,

24.1 Inches Summer Rainfall

OTHER ITEMS

- In Lieu of Tax forecast increasing \$11,800.
- RPU water projects are greatly dependent on the plans of the City Public Works Department and developers.
- Developer-installed subdivision water infrastructure assets are contributed to RPU at no
 cost. RPU records depreciation expense on these assets and is responsible for ongoing
 maintenance and replacement costs.

ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES WATER UTILITY Management Reporting P&L

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| 4 | | Historic | al Data | | | | |
|--|---|---------------|--|--|---|--|--|
| 5 | in 000's | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 F2 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
| 6 | RPU Rate Increase | 0.0% | 1.5% | 3.5% | 6.0% | 6.0% | 6.0% |
| 7 | <u>Revenue</u> | | | | | | |
| 8 | Retail Water | \$7,528 | \$7,503 | \$7,880 | \$8,307 | \$8,836 | \$9,391 |
| 9 | Other Services & Fees | \$754 | \$784 | \$859 | \$896 | \$925 | \$955 |
| 10 | Total Revenue | \$8,282 | \$8,287 | \$8,738 | \$9,203 | \$9,761 | \$10,347 |
| 11 | Cost of Revenue | | | | | | |
| 12 | Water Supply | \$1,707 | \$1,813 | \$1,802 | \$1,883 | \$1,931 | \$1,969 |
| 13 | Total Cost of Revenue | \$1,707 | \$1,813 | \$1,802 | \$1,883 | \$1,931 | \$1,969 |
| 14 | Gross Margin | | | | | | |
| 15 | Retail Water | \$5,822 | \$5,690 | \$6,077 | \$6,424 | \$6,905 | \$7,422 |
| 16 | Other Services & Fees | \$754 | \$784 | \$859 | \$896 | \$925 | \$955 |
| | TOTAL GROSS MARGIN | \$6,576 | \$6,474 | \$6,936 | \$7,320 | \$7,830 | \$8,378 |
| | | 70,010 | 7-7 | 40,000 | | 4-7 | 40,000 |
| 18 | Controllable Costs | | | | | | |
| 19 | Salaries & Benefits | \$2,177 | \$2,207 | \$2,204 | \$2,310 | \$2,455 | \$2,615 |
| 20 | Other Operating Expenses | \$1,052 | \$1,033 | \$995 | \$1,048 | \$1,059 | \$1,068 |
| 21 | Major Maintenance | \$238 | \$417 | \$462 | \$390 | \$515 | \$375 |
| 22 | Non-Bonded Capital Projects | \$4,439 | \$2,438 | \$2,979 | \$2,330 | \$1,766 | \$2,504 |
| | TOTAL CONTROLLABLE COSTS | \$7,906 | \$6,095 | \$6,639 | \$6,077 | \$5,795 | \$6,562 |
| 0.4 | Denue ciation 9 Association | ¢2.647 | ć2 22F | ća 204 | ć2 442 | ¢2.466 | ¢2.402 |
| 24 | Depreciation & Amortization | \$2,647 | \$2,325 | \$2,384 | \$2,442 | \$2,466 | \$2,483 |
| 25 | Less Non Bonded Projects (capitalized) Less Total Internal Costs (capitalized) | (\$4,439) | (\$2,438) | (\$2,979) (\$303) | (\$2,330) | (\$1,766) | (\$2,504) |
| 26 | ` . , | (\$335) | (\$342) | (\$292) | (\$391) | (\$288) | (\$273) |
| 27 | Interutility Allocation | \$1,201 | \$1,257 | \$1,227 | \$1,313 | \$1,339 | \$1,366 |
| 28 | Total Operating Expenses | \$6,979 | \$6,897 | \$6,980 | \$7,112 | \$7,546 | \$7,634 |
| 29 | Net Operating Income (Loss) | (\$404) | (\$424) | (\$44) | \$208 | \$284 | \$744 |
| | | | | | | | |
| 30 | Financing & Other Non-Operating Items: | | | | | | |
| 31 | Bond & Interest Related Expenses | \$0 | \$0 | (\$0) | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 32 | Interest Income | \$81 | \$63 | \$54 | \$54 | \$55 | \$58 |
| 33 | Misc Non-Operating Income (Expense) | (\$45) | (\$62) | (\$0) | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 34 | Total Financing & Non-Operating Items | \$36 | \$0 | \$54 | \$54 | \$55 | \$58 |
| 35 | Income Before Transfers or Capital Contributions | (\$368) | (\$423) | \$10 | \$262 | \$339 | \$801 |
| 36 | Transfers (In Lieu of Taxes) | (\$346) | (\$340) | (\$353) | (\$365) | (\$375) | (\$385) |
| 37 | Capital Contributions | \$1,762 | \$2,167 | \$1,100 | \$1,100 | \$1,100 | \$1,100 |
| 38 | Cash Transfers from City | \$1,500 | \$0 | \$978 | \$236 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 39 | | | | | | | |
| | NET INCOME | \$2,548 | \$1,404 | \$1,735 | \$1,232 | \$1,064 | \$1,516 |
| | NET INCOME | \$2,548 | \$1,404 | \$1,735 | \$1,232 | \$1,064 | \$1,516 |
| 40 | NET INCOME 1/01 Cash Balance | \$2,548 \$ | | \$1,735 \$ 5,747 | \$1,232 \$ 5,496 \$ | | |
| | 1/01 Cash Balance | | 6,570 | \$ 5,747 | \$ 5,496 \$ | 5 5,350 \$ | 5,726 |
| 41 | 1/01 Cash Balance Change in Net Assets | | 6 6,570 | \$ 5,747 1,735 | \$ 5,496 \$ 1,232 | 5 5,350 \$ | 5,726 1,516 |
| | 1/01 Cash Balance | | 6,570 1,404 2,325 | \$ 5,747 1,735 2,384 | \$ 5,496 \$ 1,232 2,442 | 5,350 \$ 1,064 2,466 | 5,726 1,516 2,483 |
| 41 42 | 1/01 Cash Balance Change in Net Assets Depreciation & Amortization Capital Additions | | 5 6,570 1,404 2,325 (2,780) | \$ 5,747 1,735 2,384 (3,270) | \$ 5,496 \$ 1,232 2,442 (2,720) | 5,350 \$ 1,064 2,466 (2,054) | 5,726 1,516 2,483 (2,777) |
| 41 42 43 | 1/01 Cash Balance Change in Net Assets Depreciation & Amortization | | 6,570 1,404 2,325 | \$ 5,747 1,735 2,384 | \$ 5,496 \$ 1,232 2,442 | 5,350 \$ 1,064 2,466 | 5,726 1,516 2,483 |
| 41 42 43 44 | 1/01 Cash Balance Change in Net Assets Depreciation & Amortization Capital Additions Non-Cash Contributions | | 1,404 2,325 (2,780) (2,167) | \$ 5,747 1,735 2,384 (3,270) (1,100) | \$ 5,496 \$ 1,232 2,442 (2,720) | 5,350 \$ 1,064 2,466 (2,054) (1,100) | 5,726 1,516 2,483 (2,777) |
| 41 42 43 44 45 | 1/01 Cash Balance Change in Net Assets Depreciation & Amortization Capital Additions Non-Cash Contributions Debt Principal Payments | | 1,404 2,325 (2,780) (2,167) | \$ 5,747 1,735 2,384 (3,270) (1,100) | \$ 5,496 \$ 1,232 2,442 (2,720) | 5,350 \$ 1,064 2,466 (2,054) (1,100) | 5,726 1,516 2,483 (2,777) |
| 41 42 43 44 45 46 | 1/01 Cash Balance Change in Net Assets Depreciation & Amortization Capital Additions Non-Cash Contributions Debt Principal Payments Debt Proceeds | | 1,404 2,325 (2,780) (2,167) | \$ 5,747 1,735 2,384 (3,270) (1,100) | \$ 5,496 \$ 1,232 2,442 (2,720) | 5,350 \$ 1,064 2,466 (2,054) (1,100) | 5,726 1,516 2,483 (2,777) |
| 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 | 1/01 Cash Balance Change in Net Assets Depreciation & Amortization Capital Additions Non-Cash Contributions Debt Principal Payments Debt Proceeds Net Change in Other Assets/Liabilities Net Changes in Cash | \$ | 1,404 2,325 (2,780) (2,167) - - 396 | \$ 5,747 1,735 2,384 (3,270) (1,100) - - - (251) | \$ 5,496 \$ 1,232 2,442 (2,720) (1,100) (146) | 5,350 \$ 1,064 2,466 (2,054) (1,100) 376 | 5,726 1,516 2,483 (2,777) (1,100) - - - 122 |
| 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 | 1/01 Cash Balance Change in Net Assets Depreciation & Amortization Capital Additions Non-Cash Contributions Debt Principal Payments Debt Proceeds Net Change in Other Assets/Liabilities | \$ | 1,404 2,325 (2,780) (2,167) - - 396 (822) | \$ 5,747 1,735 2,384 (3,270) (1,100) - - (251) \$ 5,496 | \$ 5,496 \$ 1,232 2,442 (2,720) (1,100) (146) \$ 5,350 \$ | 1,064 2,466 (2,054) (1,100) - - - 376 | 1,516 2,483 (2,777) (1,100) - - - 122 5,848 |
| 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 | 1/01 Cash Balance Change in Net Assets Depreciation & Amortization Capital Additions Non-Cash Contributions Debt Principal Payments Debt Proceeds Net Change in Other Assets/Liabilities Net Changes in Cash 12/31 Cash Balance | \$ | 1,404 2,325 (2,780) (2,167) - - 396 (822) 5,747 5,2,853 | \$ 5,747 1,735 2,384 (3,270) (1,100) - - - (251) \$ 5,496 \$ 2,753 | \$ 5,496 \$ 1,232 2,442 (2,720) (1,100) (146) \$ 5,350 \$ \$ 2,652 \$ | 1,064 2,466 (2,054) (1,100) - - - 376 5 5,726 \$ 2,714 \$ | 1,516 2,483 (2,777) (1,100) - - - 122 5,848 6,2,805 |
| 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 | 1/01 Cash Balance Change in Net Assets Depreciation & Amortization Capital Additions Non-Cash Contributions Debt Principal Payments Debt Proceeds Net Change in Other Assets/Liabilities Net Changes in Cash 12/31 Cash Balance Reserve Policy | \$ - | 1,404 2,325 (2,780) (2,167) - - 396 (822) 5,747 5,2,853 | \$ 5,747 1,735 2,384 (3,270) (1,100) - - (251) \$ 5,496 \$ 2,753 | \$ 5,496 \$ 1,232 2,442 (2,720) (1,100) (146) \$ 5,350 \$ \$ 2,652 \$ | 1,064 2,466 (2,054) (1,100) - - - 376 5 5,726 \$ 2,714 \$ | 1,516 2,483 (2,777) (1,100) - - - 122 5,848 6,2,805 |

ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES CAPITAL AND MAJOR MAINTENANCE PLAN MATERIALS, SUPPLIES & SERVICES PROJECT BREAKDOWN ON 3 YEAR SUMMARY

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WATER UTILITY (\$000's)

| 7 | | <u>2016</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | 3-Yr Total |
|-------------|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| 8 C | ore Services | | | | |
| 9 | Well & Booster Station Metering | 30 | 31 | 28 | 89 |
| 10 | Bulk Water Dispensing Station | 36 | 37 | - | 72 |
| 11 | Water Storage Tank Mixer | 22 | 13 | 13 | 49 |
| 12 | Well House Manual Switchgear | 22 | 23 | 23 | 68 |
| 13 | Backup Power Generator - Well #35 | 70 | - | - | 70 |
| 14 | Replacement of Fluoride Pumping Equipment | 50 | - | - | 50 |
| 15 | Allocation - Water Distribution System Maintenance | 467 | 399 | 410 | 1,275 |
| 16 | Replacement of Pumping Units | 71 | 108 | 110 | 288 |
| 17 | Well Motor Replacements | 13 | 13 | 13 | 38 |
| 18 | Storage Facility Painting | 300 | 235 | 250 | 785 |
| 19 | Installation of Variable Frequency Drive Units | 13 | 13 | 8 | 34 |
| 20 | Replacement of Booster Pumps | 70 | 31 | 31 | 131 |
| 21 | Allocation - Water Metering/AMR | 281 | 287 | 292 | 860 |
| 22 | Residential Water Meters | 182 | 185 | 189 | 556 |
| 23 | Commercial Water Meters | 99 | 101 | 103 | 304 |
| 24 | New Wells | 127 | - | 300 | 427 |
| 25 | New Water Tower - St. Bridget SE | 236 | - | - | 236 |
| 26 | Water Cost-of-Service/Rate Design Study | - | - | 35 | 35 |
| 27 | Abandonment of 4th St SE Reservoir | - | 190 | - | 190 |
| 28 | Water Utility Contingency Fund | 50 | 50 | 50 | 150 |
| 29 | Allocation - Water Distribution System Expansion | 1,185 | 1,043 | 1,518 | 3,745 |
| 30 | T&D City Projects | 559 | 503 | 978 | 2,039 |
| 31 | T&D Developer Projects | 284 | 225 | 225 | 734 |
| 32 | T&D RPU Projects | 242 | 215 | 215 | 672 |
| 33 | T&D City/Developer Project Contingency Funds | 100 | 100 | 100 | 300 |
| 34 | Total Core Services | 2,575 | 2,071 | 2,669 | 7,315 |
| | | | | | |
| 35 F | ield Services | | | _ | |
| 36 | Water Sustainability Study | 90 | 90 | 90 | 270 |
| | Allocation - Fleet | | | | |
| 37 | | 55 | 120 | 120 | 295 |
| 38 | Total Field Services | 145 | 210 | 210 | 565 |
| | | | | _ | |
| | | | | | |
| 39 | Total Outside Expenditures | 2,720 | 2,281 | 2,879 | 7,879 |
| 40 | Total Internal Expenditures | 408 | 309 | 290 | 1,007 |
| | • | | | | ,,,,,, |
| 41 | Total Contributed Assets | 1,100 | 1,100 | 1,100 | 3,300 |
| | | | | | |
| 42 | Net Capital & Major Maintenance Plan | 4,228 | 3,690 | 4,268 | 12,186 |



RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, and that the Common Council of the said City is requested to approve the:

2016 RPU Water Operating and Capital Improvement Budget

| Passed | by | the | Public | Utility | Board | of | the | City | ot | Rochester, | Minnesota, | this | 10th | day | O |
|--------|-----|------|--------|---------|-------|----|-----|------|----|------------|------------|------|------|-----|---|
| Novemb | er, | 2015 | 5. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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