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TO: Environmental Services Commission

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SUBJECT: Utilities Proposed 2021-2027 Capital Investment Plan

Action Required at this Time

No action by the Commission is required at this time. This is an informational briefing to review the proposed 2021-2027 Utilities CIP.

Fiscal Impact

The Utilities Capital Investment Plan (CIP) represents a significant investment of utility resources for the next seven years. The proposed 2021-2027 Utilities CIP will be included in the development of the overall Utilities Department 2021-2022 budget and rates.

Background

Bellevue Utilities (Utilities) delivers capital projects to support the delivery of drinking water, stormwater, and wastewater utility services. Projects are developed and executed to replace or rehabilitate aging infrastructure, provide capacity for growth, protect the environment and enhance customer service. Typical projects in our three piped utilities include replacement or rehabilitation of water, wastewater and stormwater pipes, water and wastewater pump stations, drinking water reservoirs, seismic mitigation projects, culvert replacement, stormwater management facilities (such as detention ponds, vaults, and water quality facilities), and stream restoration projects.

Utilities has been developing the proposed 2021-2027 Utilities CIP for the past eight months. This development process has included the following elements: 1) Identification of new capital project needs for the water, sewer, and stormwater systems, 2) performing planning level project development (scope, schedule and cost estimating for these new project proposals, 3) status review of existing capital projects currently in progress, 4) performing project prioritization, and 5) performing workload and staffing analysis. This work has resulted in a proposed 2021-2027 CIP proposal, which will be presented to the Environmental Services Commission at the March 5th ESC meeting.

As discussed with the Commission at the January 16, 2020 meeting, this will be the first of several CIP discussions with the Commission. The table below outlines our timeline.

March 5 ESC Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain proposed significant changes to existing programs • Identify new program proposals • Identify and discuss policy issues for ESC consideration
Mid-March to late-March: On-Line Open House	CIP On-line Open House to obtain public input
April 2 ESC Meeting	Share results of the On-Line Open House and Receive ESC Input
May 7 ESC Meeting	2021-2027 CIP Budget Proposals
July 2 ESC Tour	Conduct a tour of CIP project sites

Over the next several meetings, staff will respond to questions, seek your comments, and request your concurrence with the proposed Utilities 2021-2027 CIP.