

**DATE:** March 3, 2022

**TO:** Environmental Services Commission

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**SUBJECT:** Utilities Proposed 2023-2029 Capital Investment Program Plan

## **ACTION REQUIRED**

No action by the Commission is required at this time. This is an informational briefing to review the proposed 2023-2029 Utilities CIP and highlight the changes from the current adopted CIP.

## **BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS**

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 replacements, stormwater management facilities (such as detention ponds, vaults, and water quality facilities), and stream restoration projects.

Utilities has been developing the proposed 2023-2029 Utilities CIP for the past several 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 2023-2029 CIP, which will be presented to the Environmental Services Commission at its March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Utilities will be sending each Commissioner an electronic copy of the 2023-2029 CIP Budget Packet prior to the March 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting for your information. This includes details about our proposed CIP Programs and key changes from the current adopted budget.

As discussed with the Commission at the January 6, 2022 meeting, this will be the first of several CIP discussions with the Commission. The table below outlines the Commission's review timeline for Utilities CIP Plan.

March 3 ESC Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explain proposed significant changes to existing programs</li> <li>• Identify new program proposals</li> </ul>
March 14-27	CIP On-line Open House to obtain public input
April 7 ESC Meeting	Share results of the On-Line Open House
May 5 ESC Meeting	2023-2029 CIP Budget Proposals
June ESC Tour	Tour of CIP project sites

Over the next several meetings, staff will present information on the proposed CIP, respond to questions, receive input, and ultimately request the Commission's concurrence with the proposed Utilities 2023-2029 CIP

**POLICY ISSUES**

There are no policy issues to be presented at this meeting.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The Utilities CIP Plan represents a significant investment of utility resources for the next seven years. The proposed 2023-2029 Utilities CIP will be included in the development of the overall Utilities Department 2023-2024 budget and rates.

**ATTACHMENTS & AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS**

None