## FY2017-2023 Capital Investment Program

# W-98 Replacement of Large Commercial Water Meters

Category:

Water

Status: Ongoing

Department: Utilities LocationWater Service Area

Programmed Expenditures								
Programmed Ap	propriated	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Expenditures	To Date	Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget	_Budget_	Budget
6,010,163	2,979,308	119,855	550,000		573,000	584,000	596,000	608,000

#### **Description and Scope**

This program systematically replaces older, obsolete high-volume commercial water meters (3" and larger) as they wear out. Due to their location and condition, these meters pose safety and access concerns and are generally beyond the ability of O&M crews to change out. Improved performance accuracy is a secondary benefit of the program. This ongoing program replaces approximately 4 commercial meters (and meter vaults, if required) each year.

## Rationale

In the short term, this program reduces the likelihood of catastrophic system failures, unplanned service interruptions, damage claims to the city, and sharp rate increases to react to system failures rather than proactively managing the system. In the long term, timely replacement or repair of water system assets keeps customer rates as low as practical by managing the system at the least life-cycle cost while maintaining target service levels and meeting regulatory requirements.

#### **Environmental Impacts**

Replacing aging water infrastructure ensures a reliable supply of safe drinking water in sufficient quantity for homes and businesses. Minimizing water system failures means reduced environmental damage such as flooding and erosion, which can damage lakes, streams, and wetlands. Timely replacement of aging water pipes and appurtenances reduces the voume of treated, potable water lost to leakage into the ground or following system breaks.

## Operating Budget Impacts

This program will have no significant impact on operating revenues and/or expenditures.

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Project Activities	From - To	Amount	
Project Costs	Ongoing	6,010,163	

Schedule of Activities

Total Budgetary Cost Estimate: 6,010,163

Means of Financing

Funding Source Amount

Funding Source Amount
Utility Rates/Fees 6,010,163

Total Programmed Funding: Future Funding Requirements:

6,010,163

Comments