

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

BUDGETED PROGRAMS, SERVICES, AND ACTIVITIES DETROIT WATER AND SEWERAGE DEPARTMENT

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Water Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing regarding budgeted programs, services and activities of the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department in preparation for the budget to be proposed by the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department for Fiscal Year 2015-16.

DATE: October 22, 2014
TIME: 2:00 p.m.
PLACE: Water Board Building, 5th Floor Board Room
735 Randolph
Detroit, Michigan 48226

DWSD Service Functions

DWSD provides two services to communities in Southeast Michigan; delivery of safe, potable drinking water and the collection, treatment, and disposal of wastewater. Residents and businesses in the City of Detroit are served on a retail basis. Customers outside of the City of Detroit are primarily served on a Suburban Wholesale basis through service agreements.

DWSD FISCAL YEAR 2014-15 FINANCIAL PLAN SUMMARY

Categories	Water	Sewerage	Combined
Revenues:	\$399,557,200	\$521,778,200	\$921,335,400
Revenue Requirements:			
Operation and Maintenance Expense	151,111,700	212,659,500	363,771,200
Debt Service	184,964,800	243,471,400	428,436,200
Revenue Financed Capital and Reserves	63,480,700	65,647,300	129,128,000
Total Revenue Requirements	\$399,557,200	\$521,778,200	\$921,335,400

Operation and Maintenance Budget Summary

The combined total Operation and Maintenance Budget totals \$363,771,200.

- Water operating budget - \$151,111,700
- Sewerage operating budget - \$212,659,500

DWSD Functional Programs

1. **Asset Maintenance** - maintains and repairs DWSD equipment, facilities and infrastructure. (\$51,236,724)
2. **Water Operations** - responsible for producing drinking water that meets all state, federal and department standards for quality and safety. (\$55,658,661)
3. **Wastewater Operations** - the operations controlling the hydraulic load of wastewater, the removal and disposal of solids collected from wastewater, disinfection of the wastewater and maintenance of the facilities in a manner that assures compliance with the plant's Renewable Operating Permit (ROP) and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit **Industrial Waste Control Division** regulates the discharge of wastewater into the sewer system from commercial, industrial and other non-domestic sources. (\$132,578,001)
4. **Information Technology, Systems Integration & Organizations** – operates and manages DWSD's network of electronic and digital data systems that support the overall operation of DWSD and reduce energy cost, especially the distribution of potable water and the collection of sewage for treatment. (\$ 49,906,641)
5. **Public Affairs** – consists of three major divisions. The *Public Affairs Division* is responsible for carrying out the policies of the Board of Water Commissioners and the business management of the department. The *Commercial Operations Division* is responsible for directing, coordinating, processing, and monitoring DWSD retail and suburban wholesale customer billing and collection activities, collection related to delinquent accounts, processing landlord/tenant agreements, bankruptcy claims and other customer service tasks. The *Meter Operations Division* focuses on the meter maintenance function of the department with an emphasis on meter repair, calibration or replacement for water and wastewater clients (wholesale suburban, residential retail and commercial/industrial). (\$24,392,210)
6. **Process and Quality Control** - responsible for quality control throughout DWSD. (\$1,694,067)
7. **Administration** – responsible for carrying out the policies of the Board and the business management of the department. (\$36,550,278)
8. **Financial Services** - provides general accounting, purchasing, materials management, financial planning, capital management, customer billing and management system support and internal audit services for both Water Supply and Sewage Treatment Operations within the department. (\$11,754,618)