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Date: February 1, 2019
To: Utilities Board
From: Aram Benyamin, Chief Executive Officer 
Subject: **Communication to Utilities Board**

1. November 27, 2018 Finance Committee Minutes:
(See attachment)
2. Water Main Replacement Program (WMPRP) 2-Week Look Ahead:
(See attachment)
3. Board Request Tracker:
(See attachment)
4. Weekly Water Update:
 - 2019 Year-to-date Consumption: 1,151.7 million gallons, which is .84 percent less than at this point in 2018.
 - There are 185 days of demand in local storage.
 - There are approximately 2.6 years of demand in storage system-wide.(See attachment)
5. Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities:
There are various upcoming volunteer opportunities including the following:
 - **February 2** - Care & Share Food Sort; 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
 - **February 9** – Mathcounts Competition; 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
 - **February 9** – Project Angel Heart - Meal Delivery; 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.(See attachment)

Attachments:

- Attachment 1 (November 27, 2018 Finance Committee Minutes)
- Attachment 2 (Water Main Replacement Program (WMPRP) 2-Week Look Ahead)
- Attachment 3 (Board Request Tracker)
- Attachment 4 (Weekly Water Update)
- Attachment 5 (Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities)

c: Officer Team



**Minutes
Finance Committee
Colorado Springs Utilities Board
November 27, 2018
8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Cabin Creek Conference Room
Plaza of the Rockies South Tower, 6th Floor, 121 S. Tejon Street**

Committee Members Present: Committee Chair Don Knight; Committee Members Andy Pico; Tom Strand and Bill Murray

Staff Members Present: Tamela Monroe; Eric Tharp; Travas Deal; Abdessamad Nassif; Sonya Thieme; Steve Carr; Dave Grossman and Toni Bircher

City of Colorado Springs Staff Members present: Jacqueline Roland, City Auditor's Office and Ken Burgess, Division Chief — Utilities, City Attorney's Office.

The meeting convened at 8:37 a.m.

Draft Strategic Plan

Mr. Dave Grossman, Strategic Planning and Governance Supervisor, presented an overview of the draft Strategic Plan and discussed key highlights of the plan including the strategic focus and outcomes, the strategic landscape and the SWOT analysis, the strategic response, objectives and initiatives and implementation of the plan.

The Committee discussed aspects and format of the draft Strategic Plan and requested that the plan be included in the Weekly Communication with information on timelines for Board discussion and approval.

Discussion Items

- Strategy map
- Span of years for the draft Strategic Plan
- Defined deliverables
- Board Expected Results Scorecard
- Planned yearly updates
- Costs of initiatives
- Five-year plan development
- Linking 2020 budget to Strategic Plan initiatives

Committee Member Tom Strand indicated that he would talk to Mr. Grossman about highlighting the draft Strategic Plan with an article in the local newspapers seeking public comment.

Proposed 2019 Board Expected Results (Scorecard)

Mr. Grossman described proposed changes to metrics, bill comparisons and performance indicators and targets. The Committee discussed the proposed changes.

Ms. Tamela Monroe, Chief Planning and Finance Officer, indicated that an updated five-year financial plan is being developed and discussed many challenges for the 20-year infrastructure plan.

Discussion Items

- Large capital programs
- Financial metrics
- Rates comparisons
- Economic development
- Cost of service

Committee Chair Knight requested that the Board Expected Results Scorecard be added to the 2019 Finance Committee Work Plan and that 2019 proposed changes for 2020 be presented to the Finance Committee by June 2019 to consider how rate decisions impact rates comparisons.

2018 Finance Committee Accomplishments and draft 2019 Finance Committee Work Plan

The Committee discussed the 2018 Finance Committee Accomplishments and the draft Work Plan for 2019.

ECA/GCA Mid-Month Gas Price Update

Mr. Abdessamad Nassif, Fuels and Purchase Power Energy Supply Trader Supervisor, presented information on mid-month gas prices and discussed natural gas storage, supply and demand and the daily market.

Ms. Sonya Thieme, Rates Manager, reported that the impact of gas prices on the Gas Cost Adjustment (GCA) is different from the impacts to the Electric Cost Adjustment (ECA) and discussed the projections for ECA and GCA.

Mr. Travas Deal, Energy Supply General Manager, discussed the regular fall maintenance outages.

Ms. Thieme discussed projections of an increase to the GCA in January and confirmed that an update on the pricing would be provided at the special Finance Committee meeting on January 11, 2019.

Fort Carson Intergovernmental Support Agreement (IGSA)

Mr. Deal provided information on the Fort Carson Intergovernmental Service Agreement and discussed the Statement of Work (SOW), the supply and service scope for all services and reported that a proposal on costs would soon be finalized and that a 10-year agreement is planned.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Next Meeting

January 11, 2019

8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

COLORADO SPRINGS UTILITIES PROJECT SCHEDULE 2/3/2019 TO 2/17/2019

PREPARED BY COLORADO SPRINGS UTILITIES, WATER SERVICES DIVISION


Colorado Springs Utilities Water Main Replacement Program

will be working in the following areas from

February 3 to February 17
*This information is **subject to change** due to emergency response, weather conditions, equipment and/or resource scheduling changes*

Please contact the following for more information:

 Project Manager
 Program Technical Lead

 Jason Miller 668-3821
 Tara McGowan 668-8253

This report includes CSU planned finished water projects.

-For other projects see Project Viewer.

-For emergency projects see Cone Zone Map.

 Map showing 2018 projects for all four services can be found on the
 Utility GIS Public Portal

[GIS Public Portal](#)

Use this link for specific work zone information

COUNCIL DISTRICT	SEGMENT ID	FUNDING	STREET	FROM	TO	IMPACT	DESCRIPTION OF WORK ⁺	START DATE	PROJECTED COMPLETION DATE	DUE DATE
2	00884	2C	BRIARGATE BLVD	UNION BLVD N	CHAPEL HILLS DR	*** See GIS Public Portal***	REP	11/19/18	2/15/2019	6/15/2019
5		2CX	MUIRFIELD DR	MASTERS DR	CDS		REP	12/3/2018	3/3/2019	8/15/2019
5		2CX	MASTERS DR	CDS	CDS		REP	12/3/2018	3/3/2019	8/15/2019
5	04270	2C	NEVADA AV	UINTAH ST	FILLMORE ST		CA/REP	12/20/2018	2/14/2019	8/15/2019
3	04269	2C	NEVADA AV	UINTAH ST	PLATTE AV		CA/REP	12/20/2018	2/14/2019	8/15/2019
3	01683	2C	COSTILLA ST E	WEBER ST S	WAHSATCH AV S		CA/REP	1/7/19	1/31/2019	4/15/2020
4	00270	2C	ALVARADO DR	FOUNTAIN BLVD	VERDE DR		CA/REP	1/14/19	2/22/2019	4/15/2019
2	00467	2C	AUSTIN BLUFFS PKWY	RANGEWOOD DR	WOODMEN RD		CP	1/14/2019	2/6/2019	4/15/2019
5	01584	2C	CONSTITUTION AV	MURRAY BLVD	ACADEMY BLVD		CA/REP	1/14/19	2/14/2019	4/15/2019
4	02293	2C	EXECUTIVE CR	JANITELL RD E	JANITELL RD E		CP	1/30/2019	2/14/2019	8/15/2019
4	02292	2C	EXECUTIVE CR	JANITELL RD E	CDS		CP	1/30/2019	2/14/2019	8/15/2019
2	04020	2C	MIRAGE DR	CHAPEL HILLS DR	UNION BLVD		CP	2/7/2019	2/18/2019	4/15/2019
3	07176	2C	CHEYENNE MOUNTAIN ZOO RD	CHEYENNE MOUNTAIN BLVD W	DEAD END		CP	2/15/2019	2/25/2019	4/15/2019

⁺ **Legend**

CA - Condition Assessment

CP - Cathodic Protection

REP - Replacement

**Utilities Board Member Direction and Request Tracker
as of 1/31/2019**

Request Code (date/requestor)	Request Description	Staff Lead	Method of Response	Date of Response	Requestor Close
03212018_Board	Schedule Joint Utilities Board/UPAC Regional Collaboration Workshop	Earl Wilkinson	Special Meeting held to update the Board on the North Monument Creek Interceptor project and Discussion with the Cherokee Metropolitan District. The Joint UB/UPAC Regional Collaboration Workshop has not been rescheduled.	10/30/2018	
06202018_Board	Follow-up with the Woodman/I-25 water main leak issue to minimize interference in the future and review if there is a warranty issue.	Earl Wilkinson			
09192018_Board	Affordable Housing: Follow-up with potential program rules to address keeping rents in affordable space; Provide efficiency improvement data and impacts to other DSM programs regarding effects of dollars open and savings achieved.	Eric Tharp; John Romero	Proposed program rules in draft form and will be presented to the Leadership Team at an upcoming meeting.	10/26/2018	
10172018_Board	Keep the Board informed of the date and location for signing event for the U.S. Forest Service MOU.	Earl Wilkinson; Abby Ortega	Meeting with U.S. Forest Service to determine MOU signing date.	11/15/2018	
11152018_Board	Afternoon workshop for New Energy Vision prior to May 2019 approval	John Romero; Michael Avanzi			
11142018_dknight and tstrand	Customer complaint	Melissa Kellione	Two meetings were held with customer and Mr. Strand. The complaint is resolved.	1/4/2019	1/29/2019
11192018_dknight	Customer assistance - water invoice	Melissa Kellione	Staff contacted customer and tested customer's meter. Meter passed and customer was informed of results. The complaint is resolved.	12/19/2018	
12052018_dknight	Bill increase message from customer	Melissa Kellione	Staff contacted customer and resolved the complaint.	12/5/2018	
12142018_dknight	Monitor wastewater main during demolition of a customer's sign on an easement. Work with the owner for risk mitigation.	Melissa Kellione			
12172018_board	Provide comparison information from 2016 Employee Climate Survey with the results and accomplishments in the ensuing 2 years. For a Board Meeting prior to 2019 survey.	Melissa Kellione			

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01162019_board	Prepare a plan for inclusion of broader input to the Board self-evaluations for 2019.	Melissa Kellione			
Ongoing Items					
07202016_dknight	Provide staff support for DOD Resiliency Summit follow up - energy plan	Melissa Kellione/ Eric Tharp	Ongoing		
03302017_Board	Industry micro/mega trends	Dan Noble	Periodically		
03302017_Board	Elected bodies meetings as appropriate	Dan Noble	Ongoing		

Weekly Water Update as of January 27, 2019:

CONSUMPTION:

WEEKLY:

Week of January 21 through January 27, 2019: 293.6 million gallons, average temperature: 23 deg F, precipitation: 0.03 in.

Week of January 21 through January 27, 2018: 298.9 million gallons, average temperature: 32 deg F, precipitation: 0.08 in.

Week of January 21 through January 27, 2017: 292.3 million gallons, average temperature: 29 deg F, precipitation: 0.03 in.

Week of January 21 through January 27, 2001: 338.7 million gallons, average temperature: 26 deg F, precipitation: 0.23 in.

MONTH-TO-DATE:

January 27, 2019: 1,151.7 million gallons.

January 27, 2018: 1,161.4 million gallons.

January 27, 2017: 1,127.5 million gallons.

January 27, 2001: 1,333.3 million gallons.

YEAR-TO DATE:

January 27, 2019: 1,151.7 million gallons, precipitation was: 0.24 in.

January 27, 2018: 1,161.4 million gallons, precipitation was: 0.16 in.

January 27, 2017: 1,127.5 million gallons, precipitation was: 0.32 in.

January 27, 2001: 1,333.3 million gallons, precipitation was: 0.75 in.

LOCAL STORAGE:

January 27, 2019 volume is 12.22 billion gallons.

January 27, 2018 was 73.2% of capacity.

January 27, 2017 was 68% of capacity.

January 27 normal storage - 1997 to 2001 - is 70.3% of capacity.

January 27 average storage for 30 years - 1981 to 2010 - is 73.5% of capacity.

There are 185 days of demand in local storage.

SYSTEM STORAGE:

As of January 20, 2019, system wide storage volume is 62.0 billion gallons.

There are approximately 2.6 years of demand in storage system-wide.

System storage is at 74.0 % of capacity.

System storage for January 20, 2018 was 83.2 % of capacity.

System storage for January 20, 2017 was 77.8 % of capacity.

Normal system storage - 1997 to 2001 - for January 20 is 75.6 % of capacity.

Average system storage - 1981 to 2010 - for January 20 is 74.1 % of capacity.

Upcoming CFF Volunteer Opportunities

February 2, 2019

Care & Share Food Sort

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

February 9, 2019

Mathcounts Competition

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

February 9, 2019

Project Angel Heart - Meal Delivery

9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

February 17, 2019

Marian House Soup Kitchen

7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

March 2, 2019

Care & Share Food Sort

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

March 9, 2019

Project Angel Heart - Meal Delivery

9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

*****There will be an upcoming food drive to benefit COPE agencies AND to support outreach to furloughed workers and their families*****

**Don't forget to turn in your Pop Tabs to April Speake, MC950
& support Ronald McDonald House Charities**

To view all volunteer opportunities, see additional project information and to register, please visit <http://intranet.csu.org/Pages/VolunteerOpportunities.aspx>