

<b>APPROVAL</b>	<b>REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION</b>	<b>MEETING DATE 01/23/2018</b>
<b>REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	<b>RESOLUTION TO DEVELOP FRANKLIN HOUSING PLAN</b>	<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>

**BACKGROUND**

To ensure a stable and affordable supply of water for the Franklin Water Utility customers, the Franklin Board of Water Commissioners is in the process of exploring future water supplies to obtain the best possible wholesale and retail rates for our customers.. These options include Oak Creek, Milwaukee, and Racine.

The Milwaukee Water Works has conditions attached to sale of "Milwaukee" water as required by their Common Council. Most requirements have been met. The Milwaukee Common Council conditions sale of water on the purchasing community furthering affordable housing.

**ANALYSIS**

To comply with Milwaukee's Common Council policy for serving areas outside of their city, Staff has been assembling a multitude of documents. One requirement is to provide a housing plan *"pursuant to s. 66.1001, Wis. Stats., and, if the plan has not been completed, indicate the status of the community's compliance with each of the 9 requirements which comprise s. 66.1001 (2), Wis. Stats.D-2. A comprehensive housing plan and can demonstrate that such plan has resulted in the creation of affordable housing opportunities that have resulted in racial, age and income diversification, with data on the percentage of population in assisted and affordable housing that is age 30 or less, above age 30 and below 65, and age 65 and above."*

This plan does not need to be accomplished for negotiations to continue, but they would require that the plan be adopted as a condition to receiving water. Staff will need time to develop the plan with the aid of a consultant.

**OPTIONS**

Authorize staff to locate a consultant for the development of a housing plan and return to Common Council with a professional services contract; or

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**FISCAL NOTE**

This activity was not anticipated in the 2018 budget and staff would need to identify funding source once a scope and fee is established. Development of this plan could have significant impact to the Franklin Water Utility finances.

**COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED**

Resolution to authorize staff to locate a consultant for the development of a housing plan and return to Common Council with a professional services contract.