





SEWER MAINTENANCE FUND ANALYSIS PRESENTATION TO:

#### City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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#### Purpose

- Review and analyze Sewer Maintenance Fund
  - Determine appropriate rate structure and other revenue needed
    - Anticipated operating and maintenance expenses
    - Debt service for existing and projected infrastructure & equipment
    - Adequate cash reserves
  - Review current budgeting & borrowing practices and make recommendations for improvements



#### Discussion of Enterprise Fund

- Choices available when establishing utilities
  - Supported or subsidized by tax revenue
  - Wholly supported by fees
  - Hybrid
- SMF is a hybrid system
  - Covers all utility costs from system fees
  - Supports certain related services
  - Capital improvements paid from G.O. Bonds
  - Relies on tax revenues for reserves



#### **Discussion of Reserves**

- Reserves
  - Debt Service: revenue bonds and G.O. bonds
  - Operating reserves



#### Findings Regarding Sewer Rate Increase

- Taxpayer / Ratepayer City preference?
- Preserving G.O. borrowing capacity
- Meeting growing capital needs
- 4.70% Annual Increase would be needed
- Level of SMF transfer for General Fund programs



### **Policy Options**

- Adjustments to Debt Service Reserve
- Reducing SMF-related/funded services
  - Brush pickup, street sweeping, leaf collection, tree planting, pruning, and related pension costs
- Adjustments to Capital Improvement Program



#### Borrowing Authorized vs. Actually Issued





#### G.O. vs. Revenue Bonds

#### <u>Revenue Bonds:</u>

- Overall borrowing costs would increase for Revenue bonds
- Debt Service Reserve requirements would increase
- Net revenues would need to be 1.25x debt service

### All of these items would have potential impacts on rates!

### Scenario A: Reserve = 50% of Next Year's Debt Service





#### Scenario B: No Reserve for Debt





#### Scenario A: Transfer to General Fund





#### Scenario B: No Transfer to General Fund





# Scenario C: \$5.0MM Transfer to General Fund





#### Capital Outlay

	CIP Capital
rear	Expenditures
2010	\$ 23,937,000
2011	\$ 38,370,000
2012	\$ 37,890,000
2013	\$ 38,900,000
2014	\$ 34,500,000
2015	\$ 35,500,000
Total	\$ 209,097,000



#### Scenario A: Current Capital Outlay





#### Scenario B: Capital Outlay + 20%

		<b>CIP</b> Capital
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Year	Expenditures	20%
2010	\$ 23,937,000	\$ 28,724,400
2011	\$ 38,370,000	\$ 46,044,000
2012	\$ 37,890,000	\$ 45,468,000
2013	\$ 38,900,000	\$ 46,680,000
2014	\$ 34,500,000	\$ 41,400,000
2015	\$ 35,500,000	\$ 42,600,000
Total	\$ 209,097,000	\$ 250,916,400



#### Scenario B: Capital Outlay + 20%







#### Curb & Gutter

	Projected Curb
	& Gutter
	Replacement
Year	Cost
2011	\$ 739,200
2012	\$ 761,376
2013	\$ 784,217
2014	\$ 807,744
2015	\$ 831,976
2016	\$ 856,935



# Scenario C: Capital Outlay + Curb & Gutter

