### Milwaukee Water Works

2017 Budget Overview
Finance & Personnel Committee
October 13, 2016

#### **Performance Measures**

Measure	2015 Actual	2016 Planned	2017 Estimated
Rank of highest rate /Ccf of water among Class AB utilities in the 7-county metro area	17/27	20/27	20/27
Rate of Return [PSC Annual Report]	3.92%	2.99%	1.57%
Percentage of days/year in full compliance with water quality parameters of Safe Drinking Water Act	100%	100%	100%
Main breaks	431	400	500

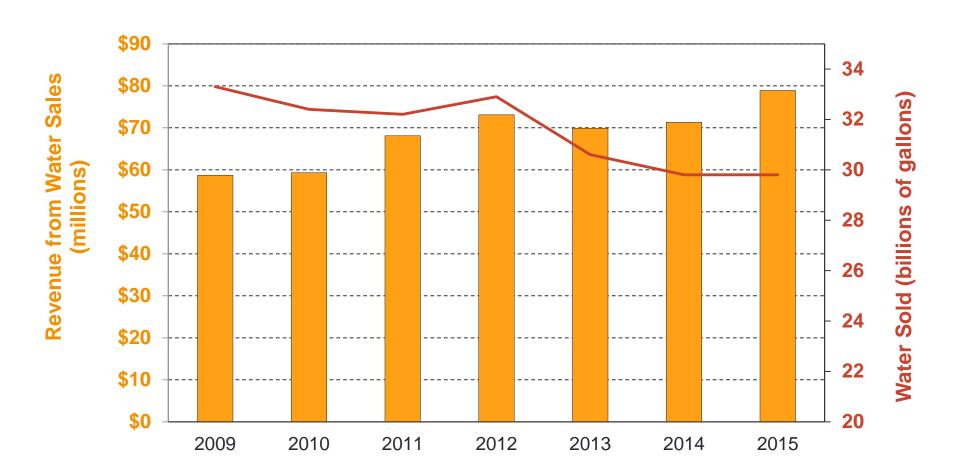
### **Budget Summary**

	2016 ADOPTED BUDGET	2017 PROPOSED BUDGET	DIFFERENCE (amount, %)
FTEs - O&M	349.48	358.95	+9.47 (+2.7%)
FTEs - Other	19.94	20.97	+1.03 (+5.2%)
Salaries & Wages	\$19,070,896	\$19,252,667	+\$181,771 (+0.1%)
Fringe Benefits	9,251,194	9,331,333	+80,139 (+0.1%)
Operating Expenditures	49,353,500	55,297,000	+5,943,500 (+12.0%)
Equipment	2,686,850	3,693,000	+1,006,150 (+37.4%)
Special Funds	7,387,000	7,191,000	-196,000 (-2.7%)
TOTAL	\$87,749,440	\$94,765,000	+\$7,015,560 (+8.0%)

### **Revenue and Consumption**

- Water consumption continues to decline
  - Consumption down 22% from 2005 to 2015
- Recent history of rate increases
  - Conventional Rate Case- November 2014: 11.4%
  - Simplified Rate Case- September 2016: 3.0%
- Declining consumption, accelerated main replacement program, lead service line replacement make future rate increases necessary

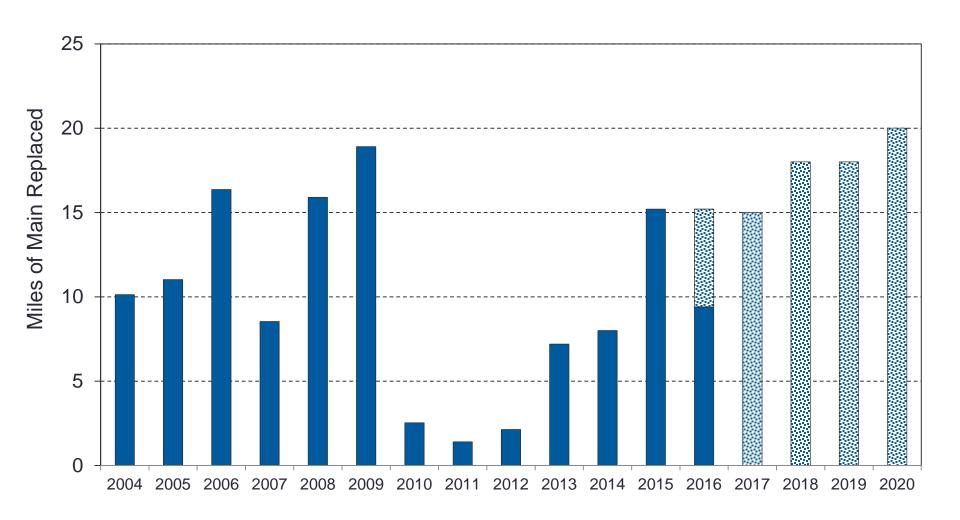
### Annual Water Sales 2009 through 2015



### **Water Works Capital**

Program	2016 Adopted	2017 Proposed
Water Main Replacement	\$19,500,000	\$22,740,000
Linnwood Plant Building Improvements	\$425,000	\$750,000
Linnwood Plant Treatment Improvements	\$775,000	\$500,000
Howard Plant Building Improvements	\$0	\$150,000
Howard Plant Treatment Improvements	\$750,000	\$450,000
Pump Facilities Improvements	\$200,000	\$125,000
Storage Facilities Improvements	\$2,000,000	\$2,300,000
Meter Shop Repair	\$0	\$175,000
Capital Project Contingencies	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000

### **Water Mains Replaced**



## **Key Capital Budget Changes and Highlights**

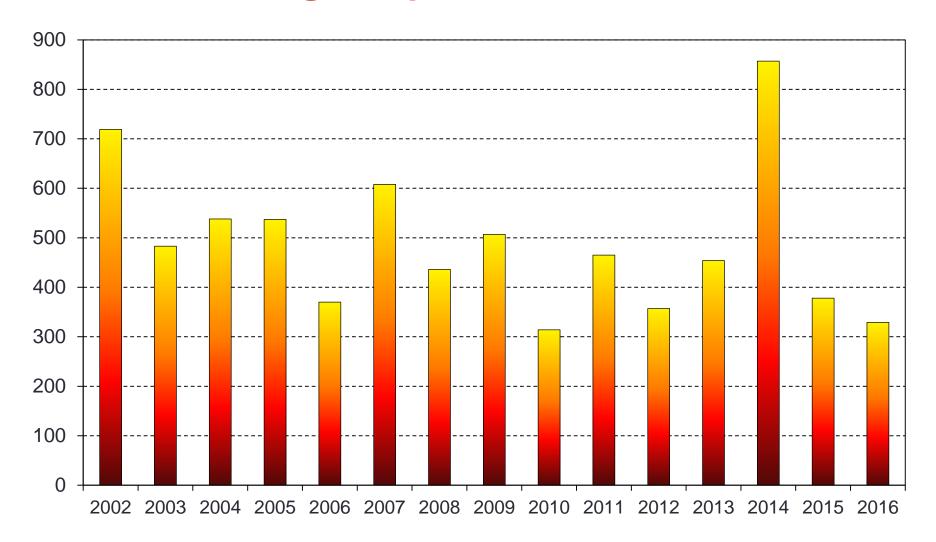
- Water Main Replacement Program (+\$3.2m)
  - Replace 15 miles in 2017; increase to 18 miles in 2018
- Linnwood Plant Repairs
  - Roof replacements (\$450k), steel pipe replacement (\$500k)
- Repair and painting of water storage tank at Florist (\$1.8m)

#### **Automatic Meter Reading Project**



- 100,287 meters replaced
- •64.3% complete (55,713 to go....)

### Water Main Breaks Through Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> of Each Year



## **Key Operating Budget Changes and Highlights**

- Increased frequency of cross connection surveys (+\$800k)
- \$1 million increase in equipment budget
- \$6.5 million for Lead Service Line Replacement
  - \$3.6m to replace utility-owned portion of 300 schools/daycares and 300 leaks
  - \$2.6m "pass-through" for upfront costs of privately-owned portion of 300 schools/daycares and 300 leaks to be reimbursed by DNR
  - \$340k for coordination, testing and outreach
    - One Water Construction Coordinator
    - One Chemist for additional testing

# Lead Service Line Replacement Program: Key Elements

- Require replacement of private portion of lead service line when:
  - Privately owned or utility owned portion of a lead service lines leak; or
  - The utility owned portion of a lead service line is replaced
- Subsidy for eligible property owners
- Moratorium on partial lead service line replacement
  - When leaks are encountered on utility owned or privately owned portion of lead service line, the entire service line will be replaced
- Prioritize replacement of lead service lines serving daycares and schools

# Lead Service Line Replacement Program: Financing

- Estimated average cost to replace lead service line: \$11,000
  - Estimated cost to replace utility portion: \$6,000
    - Funded through revenues from water sales
    - Will require significant rate increases
  - Estimated cost to replace privately owned portion: \$5,000
    - Eligible property owners will receive a City subsidy and special assessment financing

# Lead Service Line Replacement Program: Financing

- 1-4 unit residential properties meeting certain criteria are eligible for subsidy
- In order to receive the City subsidy the property owner must:
  - Sign "Hold Harmless" agreement
  - Grant temporary construction easement
  - Agree to have private side work performed by MWW contractor
  - Allow access into home to connect new service to meter
- When these conditions are met:
  - The City will subsidize 2/3 of the cost of replacing the private portion (approx. \$3,400)
  - Property owner pays for the lesser of \$1,600 or 1/3 of the cost of replacing the private portion
  - Property owner's special assessment would be approx. \$167 annually for 10 years which is less than \$14 per month

## Lead Service Line Replacement Program: 2017 Plan and Budget

- Replace lead service lines serving 300 daycares and schools
  - \$1.8 million Water Works ratepayer funds (utility side)
  - \$1.6 million Safe Drinking Water funding (private side)
- Replace lead service lines that experience leaksapprox. 300
  - \$1.8 million Water Works ratepayer funds (utility side)
  - \$1 million Safe Drinking Water funding (private side)
  - \$500,000 Special Assessment from property owners (private side)

## Lead Service Line Replacement Program: Long-term Outlook

- Estimated cost to replace the utility and privately owned portions of 70,000 lead service lines: \$500 million to \$770 million (in 2016 dollars)
- \$1 million annual Safe Drinking Water funding uncertain beyond 2018
- City is aggressively pursuing State and Federal funds
- City subsidy funded through levy-supported borrowing in the absence of State/Federal funding

## Lead Service Line Replacement Program: Long-term Outlook

- In 2018 and beyond, program will be scaled up to include proactive replacement of lead service lines in conjunction with water main replacement or other infrastructure projects
- Factors that will affect how quickly the City can scale up the program:
  - Approval of water rate increases
  - Pressure on levy-supported capital budget
  - Private sector capacity to perform the work

## Lead Service Line Replacement Program: Employment Opportunities

- Insufficient private resources to meet the demand for service line replacement
- Long-term nature of program will create need for permanent employment
- Opportunity to employ City residents
  - RPP
  - Plumbers