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Substitute resolution directing the Commissioner of Public Works to identify the of costs associated with the replacement of lead laterals, lead pipes and the provision of water filters.

This resolution directs the Commissioner of Public Works to estimate the costs of:

1. Replacing drinking water lead service lines connecting all properties in Milwaukee to water utility mains.
2. Replacing lead-pipe plumbing in all properties in Milwaukee.
3. Providing water filters capable of eliminating lead in drinking water, and replacement filters when needed, to all residential properties in Milwaukee connected to the water utility main by lead drinking water service lines.
4. Providing water filters capable of eliminating lead in drinking water, and replacement filters when needed, to all residential properties in Milwaukee occupied by households with household incomes below the Federal Poverty Level which are connected to the water utility main by lead drinking water service lines.

This resolution further requires the Commissioner of Public Works to report these cost estimates to the Common Council by February 28, 2018.

Whereas, Lead drinking water service lines connecting properties to water utility mains and lead-pipe plumbing inside properties in the City of Milwaukee represent significant risks of lead poisoning for property occupants, especially pregnant women, formula-fed infants, nursing mothers and children under the age of 6; and

Whereas, The only way to completely eliminate these lead-poisoning risks is to the replace the lead drinking water service lines and the lead-pipe plumbing; and

Whereas, Installing water filters capable of eliminating lead in drinking water, and replacing filters when needed, is an effective interim method to mitigate the risk of lead poisoning until lead drinking water service lines and the lead-pipe plumbing can be replaced; and

Whereas, Estimating the costs of replacing lead drinking water service lines and the lead-pipe plumbing, and providing water filters capable of eliminating lead in drinking water will help decision makers in the City of Milwaukee formula policy that protects the health and safety of Milwaukee residents; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works is directed to estimate the costs of:

1. Replacing drinking water lead service lines connecting all properties in Milwaukee to water utility mains.
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; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works shall report these cost estimates to the Common Council by February 28, 2018.

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