

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

May 16, 2017

5:00 P.M. -1201 S. Washington Ave. Lansing, MI – REO Town Depot Board of Water & Light Headquarters

Call to Order

Roll Call

Public Comments on Agenda Items

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Adjour	n	

FINANCE COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes March 14, 2017

The Finance Committee of the Board of Water and Light (BWL) met at the BWL Headquarters – REO Town Depot, located at 1201 S. Washington Ave., Lansing, MI, at 5:15 p.m. on Tuesday, March 14, 2017.

Finance Committee Chair Ken Ross called the meeting to order and requested a roll call.

Present: Commissioners Ken Ross, David Price, Dennis M. Louney and Anthony McCloud. Also present: Commissioners Tony Mullen, Tracy Thomas, Sandra Zerkle and Non-Voting Commissioners Stuart Goodrich (Departed at 5:25 p.m.), William Long and Robert Nelson.

Absent: None

The Corporate Secretary declared a quorum.

Public Comments

None

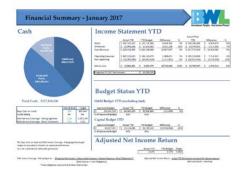
Approval of Minutes

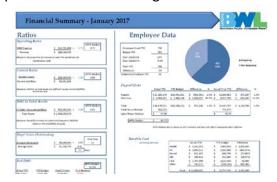
Motion by Commissioner Price, Seconded by Commissioner McCloud, to approve the Finance Committee meeting minutes of January 10, 2017.

Action: Motion Carried.

January YTD Financial Summary

Chief Financial Officer (CFO), Heather Shawa presented the following:





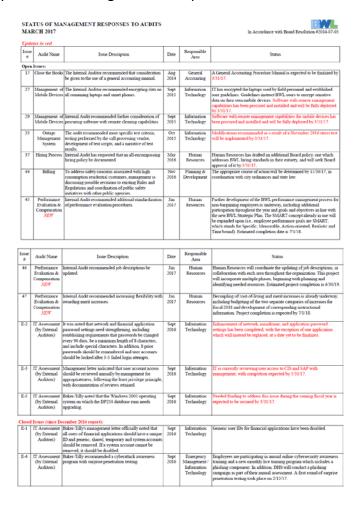
CFO Heather Shawa presented the January Year-to-date Financial Summary which indicated that the Cash target is on track and there was an upward trend from the prior month as expected. The Year-to-date net income actual is \$10.7 million better than budget and the projected fiscal-year-end net income is approximately \$14.5 million; however, the projection

was prior to the recent wind storm and quarterly budget reviews, therefore, adjustments will be made.

Ms. Shawa indicated that though we are showing underspend in capital projects, there is expected to be an increase in capital spending over the remainder of the fiscal year. She also stated that the company is on track for exceeding the budgeted year-end adjusted net income rate of return. Ms. Shawa also mentioned that three out of five Ratios are being achieved, bad debt and uncollectable continue to be watched and Day sales are outstanding. She also informed the Committee that benefit cost is over budget due to the VEBA adjustment as part of the annual valuation.

Update on Management Responses to Internal Audits

CFO Heather Shawa presented management's responses to audits as follows:



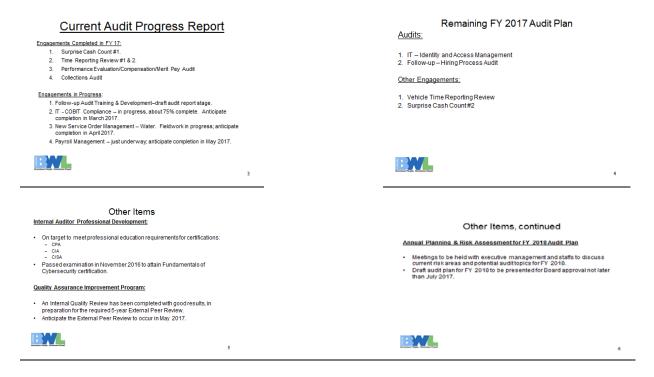
In response to Finance Chair Ross' inquisition regarding a quick one year assessment of external auditors Baker Tilly, CFO Shawa indicated that Baker Tilly has value in different ways from previous external auditors and there has been discussion about additional services that they can provide due to their experience in the industry.

Commissioner Dennis M. Louney inquired about the completion date delay of the Outage Management System stress test (indicated as #33 on the report). In response CFO Shawa stated that the stress test had been completed but wanted the recommendations and the action plan for the recommendations completed before removing it from the report.

AT THE LIBERTY OF THE FINANCE CHAIR ROSS THE LAST TWO ITEMS WERE TAKEN OUT OF POSTED AGENDA ORDER

Internal Audit Status Report

Internal Auditor Phil Perkins presented the following status report:



Travel & Reimbursement Policy & Resolution

Finance Chair Ross relayed to the Committee that most of what is being presented in the proposed document is the result of the previous Committee of the Whole meeting in which there was extended review and discussion on the Board of Water and Light's four separate travel policies. Feedback was taken and a consolidation of the four policies was uniformly produced and that is what is being reviewed and ultimately approved.

Lori Pung, General Accounting Manager provided a high level review of the combined travel policy. During the review the Commissioners engaged in a discussion regarding their meal reimbursement and the allowable per diem amount per IRS Rules. Upon completion of the review and discussion it was determined to maintain the \$100.00 a day per diem with the understanding that the per diem rate will be taxed according to current IRS regulations through the issuance of a W-2. The proposed Resolution was presented with the following motion:

Motion by Commissioner Price, Seconded by Commissioner McCloud to repeal all existing travel policies and recommend that the proposed consolidated travel policy as amended (Under the Substantiation Section language should read as "Original Receipts *shall* be obtained") be forwarded to the full Board for consideration

Action: Motion Carried

Chair Price and Finance Chair Ross thanked Lori Pung and her team for all of their hard work on the travel policy.

Other

None

Excused Absence

None

<u>Adjourn</u>

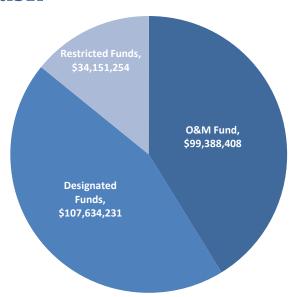
On Motion by Commissioner Price, Seconded by Commissioner Louney, the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted Ken Ross, Chair Finance Committee

Financial Summary - March 2017



Cash



Total Cash: \$241,173,894

	Month End	Target
Days Cash on Hand	218	150-249
Credit Rating	AA-	AA-
Debt Service Coverage - Rating Agencies	2.15	2.00-2.49
Debt Service Coverage - Bond Covenants	2.96	1.25

The Days Cash on Hand and Debt Service Coverage - Rating Agencies target ranges are provided by Moody's as expected performance for a AA- rated electric utility with generation.

Income Statement YTD

	Actual YTD	YTD Budget	Difference	%	Actual Prior YTD	Difference	%
Retail	\$ 260,947,210	\$ 254,693,611	6,253,599	2%	\$ 252,504,882	\$ 8,442,328	3%
Wholesale	\$ 27,450,852	\$ 23,642,890	3,807,962	16%	\$ 22,883,787	\$ 4,567,065	20%
Total Revenue	\$ 288,398,062	\$ 278,336,501	10,061,561	4%	\$ 275,388,669	\$ 13,009,393	5%
Operating Expenses	\$ 240,104,049	\$ 239,798,129	305,921	0%	\$ 228,525,875	\$ 11,578,174	5%
Non Operating	\$ (26,845,471)	\$ (25,745,600)	(1,099,870)	4%	\$ (24,405,779)	\$ (2,439,692)	10%
Net Income	\$ 21,448,542	\$ 12,792,772	8,655,770	68%	\$ 22,457,015	\$ (1,008,473)	-4%

Projected FY 2017 Net Income \$ 13,337,795

Budget Status YTD

O&M Budget YTD (excluding fuel)

Appı	roved Budget		Actual YTD	YTD Budget	Difference	%
\$	139,241,533		\$ 109,025,149	\$ 108,424,479	600,670	1%
% of A	pproved Budget	_	78%	78%		

Capital Budget YTD

Approved Budget	 Actual YTD	,	YTD Budget	Difference	%
\$ 60,817,651	\$ 32,348,529	\$	44,591,947	(12,243,418)	-27%
% of Approved Budget	53%		73%		

Adjusted Net Income Return

Actual YTD	YTD Budget	Target
4.26%	3.22%	4.81%

Debt Sevice Coverage - Rating Agencies - (Projected Net Income + Depreciation Expense + Interest Expense + Fixed Obligations*)

(Debt Service + Fixed Obligations)

Financial Summary - March 2017

APPA Median



Ratios

Operating Ratio

O&M Expense 208,539,603 = 0.72 0.71

\$ 288,398,062 Revenue

Measures the proportion of revenues to cover the operations and maintenance costs

Current Ratio

APPA Median **Current Assets** 4.91 1.98 234,371,394 =

Current Liabilities 47,725,236

Measures whether current assets are sufficient to pay current liabilities within one year

Debt to Total Assets

APPA Median \$ 405,679,285 = 0.53 LT Debt + Accrued Liabilities

\$ 1,023,218,301 **Total Assets**

Measures the ability to meet its current and long-term liabilities based on the availability of assets

Days' Sales Outstanding

Prior Year Accounts Receivable 23,372,881 = 0.74 21 X 31 Average Sales 31,632,471 24 Days

Bad Debt

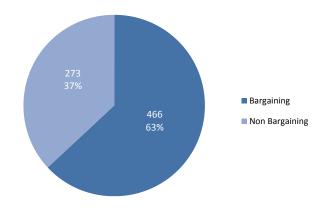
APPA Median 0.27%

Actual YTD Over/(Under) % of Revenue YTD Budget

\$1,050,574 \$912,124 \$138,450 0.36%

Employee Data

Employee Count YTD	739
Budget YTD	766
Over (Under) #	(27)
Over (Under) %	-3.5%
Prior YTD	756
Difference	-17
Temporary Employee YTD	25



Payroll Data

-	Actual YTD	YTD Budget	Difference	%	Act	tual Prior YTD	[Difference	%
Regular Overtime	\$ 40,433,087 \$ 6,330,924	\$ 41,364,446 \$ 4,342,293	\$ (931,359) \$ 1,988,631	-2.3% 45.8%		39,878,119 5,455,470	\$ \$	554,968 875,454	1.4% 16.0%
Total	\$ 46,764,011	\$ 45,706,739	\$ 1,057,272	2.3%	\$	45,333,589	\$	1,430,422	3.2%
Total Hours Worked	985,120					1,001,216			
Labor/Hours Worked	\$ 47.47				\$	45.28			

APPA Median 40.73

APPA Median data is based on 2015 numbers and does not reflect subsequent labor inflation.

Benefits Cost

(Including Retirees)

		Actual YTD		YTD Budget	Difference
Health		\$ 10,761,044	\$	9,333,136	\$ 1,427,908
RX		\$ 2,446,710	\$	3,061,398	\$ (614,688)
Dental		\$ 862,971	\$	890,850	\$ (27,879)
Life		\$ 244,671	\$	275,148	\$ (30,477)
FICA		\$ 3,476,038	\$	3,388,621	\$ 87,417
Other		\$ 777,569	\$	(334,937)	\$ 1,112,506
	Total	\$ 18,569,004	¢	16,614,215	\$ 1,954,788
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FY 2018 Financial Plan



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FY 2018 Financial Plan

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Sales Volume Forecast

Utility	FY 18 Budget	FY 17 Budget	FY 18 Budget to FY 17 Budget	FY 17 Projected
Electric-Retail (MWh)	2,131,850	2,137,145	(0.25%)	2,174,799
Electric-Wholesale (MWh)	715,840	767,770	<u>(6.8%)</u>	785,75 <u>6</u>
Electric-Total (MWh)	2,847,690	2,904,915	(2.0%)	2,960,556
Water (ccf)	8,794,943	8,534,134	3.1%	9,022,337
Steam (mlb)	734,136	744,469	(1.4%)	714,802
Chilled Water (tnhrs)	11,134,000	10,288,000	8%	11,952,000

Electric:

- Retail sales volume is relatively unchanged due to our underlying growth rate of approximately 1% being offset by our continued ability to generate 1% energy savings annually through our energy optimization programs.
- Wholesale sales volume is expected to decrease due to reductions in generation at our Eckert plant.

Water:

Retail sales volume is expected to decline slightly due to continued water conservation efforts. This
decrease is offset by increases in wholesale water sales. Delta Township, in particular, is anticipating
increased demand in its service territory.

Steam:

• Steam sales volume expectations have been reduced slightly from the prior year to reflect recent, actual experience.

Chilled Water:

• Chilled water sales volume expectations have been increased to reflect recent, actual experience.



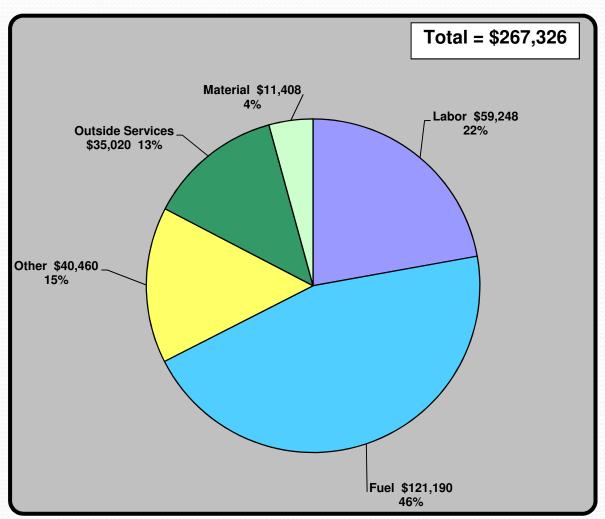
Operating Expense Assumptions

- FY 2018 O&M expenses (excluding fuel) increased by 5% compared to FY 2017 budgeted O&M expenses.
 - Total FY 2018 O&M expenses decreased by 4% when including an \$18 million decrease in fuel cost.
- Forecasted CPI Index 2.4% Inflation*
- FY 2018 budget assumes 756 employees an increase of 2 from FY 2017 budgeted employees.
- FY 2018 budget assumes 18 temporary employees.



FY 2018 O&M Budget by Category

-in \$000's, excludes depreciation





FY 2018 Income Statement by Utility

\$(000)	ELECTRIC	WATER	STEAM	CHILLED WATER	TOTAL
SALES (MWh, ccf, Mlb, ton-hrs)	2,847,690	8,794,943	734,136	11,134,000	
Retail	\$ 269,569	\$ 36,669	\$ 12,159	\$ 6,037	\$ 324,434
Wholesale	\$ 26,977	\$ 4,033	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31,010
OPERATING REVENUE	\$ 296,546	\$ 40,702	\$ 12,159	\$ 6,037	\$ 355,444
Operation & Maintenance Expense	\$ (228,749)	\$ (28,737)	\$ (7,120)	\$ (2,720)	\$ (267,326)
Depreciation Expense	\$ (34,224)	\$ (7,340)	\$ (2,826)	\$ (1,489)	\$ (45,879)
OPERATING EXPENSE	\$ (262,973)	\$ (36,077)	\$ (9,946)	\$ (4,209)	\$ (313,205)
OPERATING INCOME	\$ 33,573	\$ 4,625	\$ 2,213	\$ 1,828	\$ 42,239
Return on Equity	\$ (17,498)	\$ (2,376)	\$ (729)	\$ (364)	\$ (20,967)
Other Non-Operating Income	\$ 1,746	\$ 1,219	\$ 76	\$ 51	\$ 3,092
Other Non-Operating Expense	\$ (10,839)	\$ (2,157)	\$ (1,886)	\$ (586)	\$ (15,468)
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ 6,982	\$ 1,311	\$ (326)	\$ 929	\$ 8,896
RATE OF RETURN	3.03%	1.38%	2.25%	5.73%	2.60%
BUDGETED RATE INCREASE EFFECTIVE 2/1/18	3.00%	5.50%	5.50%	0.00%	



Comparative Income Statement

Based on Initial Requests Prior to Strategic Alignment and Review

In \$000's	FY 2018 Budget	FY 2017 Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)
OPERATING REVENUE	\$ 355,444	\$ 366,415	(3%)
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSE			
GROSS LABOR	67,387	62,507	8%
LABOR TO CAPITAL	(6,006)	(7,255)	(17%)
NET LABOR	61,381	55,252	11%
MATERIAL	11,445	12,357	(7%)
OTHER - Including Benefits	38,430	44,131	(13%)
OUTSIDE SERVICE	39,226	27,502	43%
FUELS, WATER CHEMICALS & AMINE	121,190	139,089	(13%)
OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSE	\$ 271,672	\$ 278,331	(2%)
Depreciation Expense	45,879	43,153	6%
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	\$ 317,551	\$ 321,484	(1%)
OPERATING INCOME	\$ 37,893	\$ 44,931	(16%)
Return on Equity	(20,967)	(22.007)	(50/)
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Other Non-Operating Income/(Expense)	(12,376)	(12,810)	(3%)
NET INCOME	\$ 4,550	\$ 10,113	(55%)



Comparative Income Statement

After Strategic Alignment and Review

In \$000's			
	FY 2018 Budget	FY 2017 Budget	Increase/ (Decrease)
OPERATING REVENUE	\$ 355,444	\$ 366,415	(3%)
DPERATION AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSE			
GROSS LABOR	65,750	62,507	5%
LABOR TO CAPITAL	(6,502)	(7,255)	(10%)
NET LABOR	59,248	55,252	7%
MATERIAL	11,408	12,357	(8%)
OTHER - Including Benefits	40,460	44,131	(8%)
OUTSIDE SERVICE	35,020	27,502	27%
FUELS, WATER CHEMICALS & AMINE	121,190	139,089	(13%)
PERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSE	\$ 267,326	\$ 278,331	(4%)
Depreciation Expense	45,879	43,153	6%
OTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	\$ 313,205	\$ 321,484	(3%)
DPERATING INCOME	\$ 42,239	\$ 44,931	(6%)
Return on Equity	(20,967)	(22,007)	(5%)
Other Non-Operating Income/(Expense)	(12,376)	(12,810)	(3%)
IET INCOME	\$ 8,896	\$ 10,113	(12%)



FY 2018 Cash Flow by Utility

\$(000)	ELECTRIC	WATER	STEAM	CHILLED WATER	TOTAL
\$(000)	LLLCTRIC	WAILK	SILAW	WAILK	IOIAL
BEGINNING OPERATING CASH	58,671	13,061	5,438	3,756	80,926
Sources of Cash					
Net Income	\$ 6,983	\$ 1,311	\$ (326)	\$ 928	\$ 8,896
Depreciation	\$ 34,224	\$ 7,340	\$ 2,826	\$ 1,489	\$ 45,879
Loss on Sale of Assets	\$ 1,547	\$ 266	\$ 101	\$ -	\$ 1,914
Borrowing	\$ 50,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000
Withdrawal from Construction Reserve	\$ 24,652	\$ 5,490	\$ 2,283	\$ 1,575	\$ 34,000
Fuel Cost Undercollection	\$ 2,663	\$ (141)	\$ (464)	\$ -	\$ 2,058
Net Environmental	\$ 4,444	\$ -	\$ 166	\$ -	\$ 4,610
Pipeline Refund	\$ 2,390	\$ -	\$ 455	\$ -	\$ 2,845
SOURCES OF CASH	\$ 126,903	\$ 14,266	\$ 5,041	\$ 3,992	\$ 150,202
Uses of Cash					
Debt Principal	\$ (5,069)	\$ (2,510)	\$ (1)	\$ (1,525)	\$ (9,105)
Net Capital Expenditures	\$(115,633)	\$ (12,987)	\$ (9,484)	\$ (1,415)	\$ (139,519)
Renewable Energy & EO Plans	\$ (834)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (834)
Other Uses of Cash	\$ (184)	\$ (41)	\$ (17)	\$ (11)	\$ (253)
USES OF CASH	\$(121,720)	\$ (15,538)	\$ (9,502)	\$ (2,951)	\$ (149,711)
Net Cash Increase/(Decrease)	\$ 5,183	\$ (1,272)	\$ (4,461)	\$ 1,041	\$ 491
ENDING OPERATING CASH	63,854	11,789	977	4,797	81,417



Beginning Operating Cash includes O & M Fund and Receiving Fund only, Designated funds and Restricted Bond Funds not included (\$107.6 and \$34.2 million respectively as of March 31, 2017)

FY 2018 Capital Budget



FY 2018 Capital Budget Summary

Dollars in (000's)				
UTILITY			LOCATION	
ELECTRIC	\$	54,331	ECKERT \$	185
WATER	\$	7,547	ERICKSON \$	199
STEAM	\$	8,730	REO PLANT \$	3,000
CHILLED WATER	\$	450	T&D \$	64,583
COMMON	\$	18,457	DYE/CEDAR \$	2,327
*INTERNALLY FUNDED CAPITAL BUDGET	\$	89,516	CHILLER PLANT \$	440
NEW NGCC PLANT	\$	50,000	MOORE'S PARK \$	463
TOTAL CAPITAL BUDGET	\$	139,516	NEW NGCC PLANT \$	50,000
			OTHER \$	18,319
			TOTAL CAPITAL BUDGET \$	139,516
* This total DOES NOT include the New NGCC (N	Natural (Gas Combined	l Cycle) Plant	



FY 2018 Capital Budget – Major Projects/Programs

Proje	<u>ct Title</u>	Project Total	FY 2018
	Planned Projects		
*	New NGCC Plant	TBD	50,000,000
**	Smart Grid Implementation (AMI/MDM)	30,950,000	9,400,000
*	Central Substation	25,800,000	14,339,000
*	Erickson to Willow 138kV Line Extension	22,683,676	18,286,810
	High Pressure Steam Parallel Supply	5,179,000	5,179,000
*	REO - Rental Standby Steam Boilers	5,040,000	3,000,000
**	ESRI Implementation	5,904,000	1,106,711
	Willow Yard Expansion	4,471,000	3,713,058
	Erickson Yard Expansion	3,707,000	2,759,598
	GroSolar Interconnection Project	3,596,675	1,783,365
**	ADMS	3,353,000	868,000
*	Burcham 4160V Sub Cutover and Retirement	2,235,000	1,500,000
*	Central Sub - Distribution	1,600,000	50,000
	Infrastructure Deep Dive Execution	1,500,000	1,500,000
	Asset Mgmt - CityWorks Implementation	1,500,000	250,000
	Calciner Bldg. Unit Sub. Replacement	1,606,800	1,306,800
	MP - Tainter Gate Trunnion Pin Replacement	1,098,000	163,300
	IT - Enterprise Service Bus	1,055,000	1,055,000
	IT - Mainframe Migration and Transition	1,000,000	500,000
		116,760,642	
	84%		
	Annual Projects ***		
	Electric - Services & Line Extensions	12,711,528	2,000,000
	Electric - T & D Systems	16,327,958	2,569,000
	Electric - Street, Building & Outdoor Protective Lighting	11,662,827	1,835,000
	Water - System Improvement	13,099,000	2,364,000
	Common - Fleet Vehicles & Equipment	10,188,289	1,603,000
	Water - Street Reconstruction	6,370,000	922,628
	Capital Spending - Annual Projects		11,293,628
	8%		
	FY 2018 Capital Spending - Major Projects		128,054,270
	% of \$139.5M Requested Capital Budget		92%



** These represent the major ETT projects.

*** Annual projects have some level of spending each year.

The project total represents 6 year spending.



Next Steps

- Request the Board approve the FY 2018
 Operating & Capital Budgets
 - Request approval at May 23rd Board meeting
 - City Charter calls for budget adoption by June 1, 2017
- File FY 2018 Operating Budget & Capital Budget with the City Clerk within 10 days after approval



PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Fiscal Year 2018 Operating and Capital Budget

RESOLVED, that the annual Operating Budget covering Fiscal Year 2018 is hereby approved as presented; and

RESOLVED, that the annual Operating Budget has been presented with a potential and estimated rate increase. The potential and estimated rate increase is a projection and has not been approved through a public rate hearing process. The potential and estimated rate increase will be reviewed and adjusted as necessary during a formal rate setting process as per Lansing City Charter, Section 5-205 which refers to the BWL authority to set just and reasonable rates and defines the public hearing process; and

RESOLVED, that the Fiscal Year 2018 Capital Budget is hereby approved as presented; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Corporate Secretary be directed to make the appropriate filings with the Lansing City Clerk's office in accordance with the Lansing City Charter regarding the above actions.

<u>Staff Comments</u>: In accordance with the provisions of the Lansing City Charter, Article 5, Chapter 2, Section 5-203.5, staff recommends an operating and maintenance budget of \$267.3 million and a capital budget of \$139.5 million for Fiscal Year 2018. The capital budget includes \$50 million exclusively attributable to the new natural gas plant and the remainder provides for on-going services to our utility customers and to sustain our plant facilities for future operations. Staff recommends that the Finance Committee approve these budgets and resolution for presentation and adoption by the Board at its May 23, 2017 board meeting.