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To: Board of Representatives Fiscal Committee

From: William P. Brink, P.E., BCEE, Executive Director

Date: March 8, 2021

Re: SWPCA FY 2021-2022 Operating and Capital Budgets

Staffing: SWPCA's FY 21-22 Operating Budget includes no staffing changes. FY20-21 budget delayed filling open positions for Assistant Plant Supervisor and Mechanic-in-Training until January 1, 2021. These positions are fully funded in FY 21-22.

Services and Programs: No change in services or programs.

Significant changes in line item expenses compared to FY 20-21:

1. Contracted Services increased by \$100,000 to \$350,000 to include \$213,000 to complete the development of a Sludge Management Plan started in FY 20-21.
2. Reduced Process Control Electric Utility by \$81,809 to \$1,650,000 (-4.7%) due to construction of more energy efficient aeration blowers and mixers as part of the treatment plant upgrade,
3. Reduced Process Control Chemicals by \$139,000 to \$400,000 (-25.8%) expected from reduced methanol use from process modifications as part of the treatment plant upgrade.
4. Increased Sludge Processing Natural Gas by \$80,971 to \$450,000 (+21.9%) based on greater historical use and expected increase in sludge quantity from population growth.
5. Other line item adjustments were made based on review of historical costs.

The proposed FY21-22 Operating Expense Budget, including debt service, is \$27,247,638, representing a decrease of (\$162,568) or -0.6% compared to FY 20-21..

Revenues: The proposed FY21-22 Operating Revenue Budget is \$27,864,138. Although operating expenses decreased, the FY21-22 Operating Revenue Budget needs to increase by \$149,332 or +0.5% compared to FY20-21 to meet the coverage ratio of 1.15 required by SWPCA's revenue bonds' indenture.

Capital Budget Request: None (previously requested in FY20-21 for 2020 revenue bond issue).

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