

Water Utility

Agency Number: **64**
 Budget Function: **Public Works and Transportation**

The mission of the Madison Water Utility is to provide and maintain an adequate supply of safe water for consumption and fire protection, with quality service and at a reasonable price, for present and future generations.

<u>Major Service</u>	<u>2005 Actual</u>	<u>2006 Budget</u>	<u>2006 Projected</u>	<u>2007 Request</u>	<u>2007 Executive</u>	<u>2007 Adopted</u>
Water Supply	0	0	0	0	0	0
Agency Total	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Adopted Budget Highlights

The Budget includes:

1. Funding for continuation of existing services.
2. Funding of \$80,000 to complete 4 wellhead protection plans for existing wells. In 2006, funding of \$40,000 was provided for 2 wellhead protection plans.
3. Funding of \$220,000 for the unidirectional flushing program. In 2006, \$65,000 was budgeted for the spring and fall flushing program.
4. Increased funding of \$47,679 for testing of water samples at the City Health lab. This funding is used to monitor City water for manganese, iron, and turbidity.
5. Funding of \$300,000 to implement Phase 2 of the action plan resulting from the completion of the Strategic Business Planning Initiative begun in 2006 with EMA Inc.
6. Net increase of 2.70 FTE. Addition of a Water Hydrant Inspector (1.0 FTE), an Engineer 1 (1.0 FTE), a Water Construction Inspector (1.0 FTE) and two Public Maintenance Worker 3's (2.0 FTE). These positions will staff the increase in demand for new and replacement water mains, as well as fully staff the unidirectional flushing program. Elimination of a Utility Vehicle Worker (1.0 FTE) and two Clerk-Typists (1.3 FTE). All three positions (2.3 FTE) deleted are currently vacant and are no longer needed.
7. The Water Utility filed a formal rate case with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin in 2006 and the revenue amounts in the 2007 operating budget include an estimated 9% rate increase. The rate increase is pending PSC approval and is projected to start during the April 2007 billing cycle and take full effect with the October 2007 billing. The last full rate increase was granted in December 2005 with an average increase of 7%.
8. A revenue bond issue of approximately \$17,000,000 is anticipated in the summer of 2007. The last revenue bond issue by the Water Utility was in June 2006.

The agency submitted no supplemental budget requests.

