# Citrus Heights Water District Operations Briefing

Customer Advisory Committee Meeting January 16, 2024

## Tonight's Agenda

- Agenda Review and Participant Introductions
- More about CHWD- Presentation
- CAC "Get to Know Each Other" Activity
- Chair / Vice Chair Nominations
- Discuss Next Steps
- Public Comment Period
- CAC Member Take-aways
- Meeting Adjournment

## **Professional Organizations**

## Network of Professional Organizations

- California Association of Public Information Officials (CAPIO)
- California Society of Municipal Finance Officers (CSMFO)
- Municipal Management Association of Northern California (MMANC)
- California Special Districts Association (CSDA)
- American Water Works Association California-Nevada Section (AWWA CA-NV)
- Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA)
- Sacramento Area Water Works Association (SAWWA)
- Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Authority (ACWAJPIA)
- Public Agency Risk Management Association (PARMA)
- American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)



















## Intergovernmental Relationships

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- City Relationships
  - City of Citrus Heights
  - City of Roseville



SACRAMENTO



- County Relationships
  - Sacramento
  - Placer
- Regional Water Authority (RWA)
- Sacramento Groundwater Authority (SGA)





• San Juan Water District (SJWD)



# District Budget

## **CHWD Budget Process Overview**

- CHWD operates on a calendar year budget
- Budget preparation begins during the strategic planning process in the preceding calendar year.
- Budget serves as an action plan for implementing CHWD's strategic planning projects and other district operational priorities.



#### 3-Year Strategic Planning Goals Updated for 2024

- Manage and Diversify a <u>Dependable Water Supply</u> and Empower Customers to Use Water in an Efficient Manner
- 2. Manage the Improvement of and Reinvestment in District Infrastructure and Facilities
- 3. Promote **Organizational Effectiveness** and Enhance Customer Service
- **4. Engage Customers** and Communicate the District's Priorities and Value-Added Programs

#### 3- Year Strategic Goals Updated for 2024

Water Supply Goal #1



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Goal #2



Organizational Wide Goal #3



Customer Engagement Goal #4

- Complete construction for Well Site 7 with ASR
- Begin design for Well Site 8
- 1-2 potential sites for Wells/Water/ Asset storage
- Host in-person and online Water- Smart classes

- Meter testing program
- Joint Purchasing Program
- Complete 75% design of Corporation Yard and develop financing options
- Continue Easement Acquisitions
- Continue condition assessment on Transmission Mains

- Federated Services and single sign on implementation
- Increase customer email list
- ACH Payments
- Retention and recruitment initiatives
- Regional impact of intergovernmental discussions

- Increase customer awareness and favorability of District through traditional and digital media
- Educate customers on intergovernmental activities
- Engage stakeholders via the Garden Corps and Customer Advisory Committee (CAC) and empower members to act as CHWD ambassadors

# Using Customer Dollars Wisely

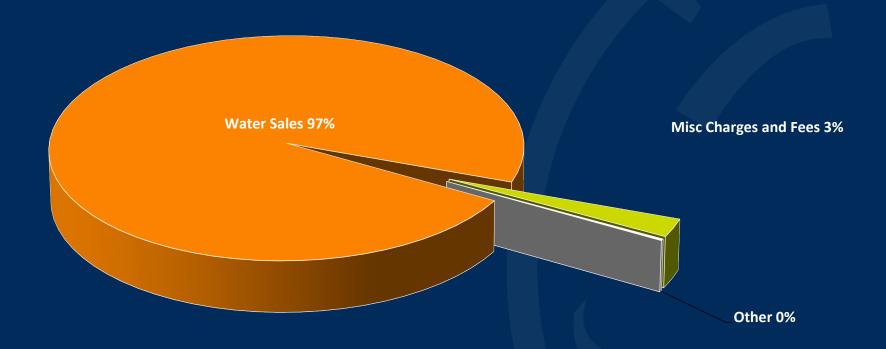
#### CHWD's 2024 budget focuses on:

- Completing important long-range infrastructure and asset management planning
- Expanding CHWD's groundwater program
- Continuing to provide enhanced public services
- Maintaining adequate reserves
- Providing expanded opportunities for customer participation
- Ongoing commitment to operational and financial efficiency



## Revenue Components

2022 Actuals From Annual Financial Report



#### Water Rates vs. Fees and Charges

#### **Water Rates**

- Service and usage charges for providing water to Customers.
- District performs a rate study annually

#### Fees and Charges

- Construction, Installation, Capacity, and Other Charges/Fees
  - Adjustments to Construction and Capacity Fees are updated annually based on The Engineering News-Record Index
  - Adjustments to Water Service Installation Charges, and Other Charges/Fees are updated annually based on the current year input costs

#### Water Rates Structure

#### Components included in the Rate Structure:

- Costs for ongoing operation needs
  - Pass-through for purchasing surface water
  - Staff resources cost
  - Other operational services and maintenances costs
- Costs for Capital Projects
- Costs for future needs
  - Maintaining adequate reserves

#### Other factors impact the Rate Structure:

- Cash flow
- Water usage
- Federal & State mandates

## Investing in the Future







## PROJECT 2030 WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT



- CHWD's service area urbanized mostly between 1960 and 1985, and the life span of a water main is about 70 years
- Project 2030 will replace most of the aging water mains
  - Water main replacement will be about \$8 million annually starting in 2030
  - Project 2030 Dedicated Charge
    - About \$1.25M per year deliciated charges started 2022



#### Transfers to Reserves







Based on annual Board contribution (discretionary)

**Based on existing Board policy (non-discretionary)** 

## Water Meter Replacement Reserve

- Established: January 2017
- Target Balance: to build up for District's future estimated meter replacement
- To provide funds for use in evaluating, replacing water meters to benefit District customers



- Planning for Meter Replacements
- 1<sup>ST</sup> Generation Meters
  - Implemented from 1998-2007
  - 17,500 Connections
  - Actual Cost: \$9.7 million
- 2<sup>ND</sup> Generation Meters
  - Begin replacement starting in the next several years
  - Projected Implementation—Meter Study
  - 20,000 Connections

### Water Supply Reserve

- Established: August 2016
- Purpose: To provide funds for use in evaluating, designing, and constructing, replacing or rehabilitating capital facilities to benefit District customers
- Proposed to use \$2.8 million of reserves in 2025 for Wells #7 and #8



# **Q&A Session**

# CAC Chair and Vice Chair Nominations

#### **CAC Chair & Vice Chair**

#### **ROLE OF THE CAC CHAIR**

- 1. Call the CAC meetings to order
- 2. Lead the Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Turn the meetings over to the facilitator for the agenda review and meeting facilitation
- 4. Manage any voting processes during CAC meetings, as appropriate
- 5. Manage the public comment portion of the CAC meetings
- 6. Close the meetings
- 7. Act as the official spokesperson for the CAC when presenting CAC updates at the CHWD Board meetings

#### **ROLE OF THE CAC VICE CHAIR**

# Next steps for CAC

#### **CAC Program Overview**

#### 2024 (Tentative Future Meeting Dates)

Feb 29 - DEADLINE for required training (Brown Act, AB 1825, AB 1234)

Mar 12 - Tour: CHWD headquarters/BBQ
CHWD Corporation Yard: 6230 Sylvan Rd. @ 5:45PM

Apr 30 - CAC Dinner Meeting

July 16 - Tour: Folsom Reservoir treatment plant, dam

Sept 10 - Dinner meeting: budget process

Oct 8 - Dinner meeting: regional collaboration/statewide issues

Dec 9 - Dinner meeting: year-in-review

#### **CAC Required Training Components**

- AB 1825 Harassment Prevention Training
- AB 1234- Ethics Compliance Training
- Keeping up with the Brown Act: An Overview of the Public Meeting Law
- https://www.csda.net

# **CSDA Training Tutorial**

## **CAC** Webpage

https://chwd.org/cac



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