

**Village Council Budget Questions  
Budget 2018**

*Several funds have lines listed as "other financial uses" and "other financial resources". Could you have these detailed for us?*

<b>Fund</b>	<b>2018 Other Financial Resources Revenues</b>	<b>2018 Other Financial Uses Expense</b>	<b>Reason</b>
Health Insurance		\$80,403	Transfer to the General Fund for administrative expenses
Fleet Services		\$116,826	Transfer to the General Fund for administrative expenses
Equipment Replacement	\$29,000		Proceeds on Sale of Fixed Assets
Police Pension	\$500,000		Gain on Investments
Fire Pension	\$500,000		Gain on Investments
Water	\$6,058,000	\$1,071,440	IEPA loan proceeds; Transfer to the General Fund for administrative expenses
Parking		\$842,987	Transfer to the General Fund for administrative expenses and \$300k transfer for Downtown TIF Debt Service
Capital Projects		\$2,209,719	Transfer to Capital Debt Service and \$300k transfer for OPEB
Downtown TIF		\$3,823,133	Transfer to the Downtown TIF Debt Service Fund
Ogden Ave.		\$84,413	Transfer to the General Fund for administrative expenses
Debt Service Downtown TIF	\$4,123,133		Transfers for Debt Service Payments(from Downtown TIF and Parking)
Debt Service Capital	\$1,909,719		Transfer for Debt Service from Capital

**Water Fund**

*Please provide additional information about the \$6.7 million for the annual watermain replacements. How many watermain segments will be replaced? Where are these mains located? Why is the FY18 replacement cost higher than previous years?*

The Village plans on replacing approximately twice as much linear feet in FY18 than FY17 (13,475 linear feet vs 6,650 linear feet) as part of the WA-028 Annual Element. The proposed list includes:

- Williams Street from 2nd Street to 55th Street 2,350 linear feet
- Grand Avenue from Hill Street to 55th Street 1,400 linear feet
- Grand Avenue from 61st Street to 62nd Street 700 linear feet
- 61st Street from Blodgett Avenue to Fairmount Avenue 700 linear feet
  
- Williams Street from 39th Street to 41st Street 1,875 linear feet
- Washington Street from Summit Street to 55th Street 700 linear feet
- Fairmount Avenue from 55th Street to 59th Street 2,700 linear feet
  
- Curtiss Street from Washington Street to Mackie Place 1,000 linear feet
- Belden Avenue from Curtiss Street to Maple Avenue 500 linear feet
- Hill Street from Grand Avenue to Fairview Avenue 650 linear feet
- Brook Drive from Center Circle to Downers Drive 900 linear feet

*Please provide information on the planned watermain replacements and other capital projects in this fund for the next 3 - 5 years.*

Planned water main replacements through FY20 include the remaining locations submitted as part of the IEPA low-interest loan program (5-year window to complete projects beginning with FY16) as well as sections of main that have multiple failures. In 2018, Public Works and Finance will discuss the possibility of applying for another IEPA loan program, focusing on replacing 4-inch water mains.

*Please provide information about water sales in terms of gallons.*

The Village's water demand over the past five years has steadily declined as listed below.

- 2012 - 2,068,209,000 gal.
- 2013 - 1,852,882,250 gal.
- 2014 - 1,795,048,750 gal.
- 2015 - 1,783,547,500 gal.
- 2016 - 1,739,623,000 gal.

*What has been the trend in water sales over the past 5 years?*

Water demand declined by 12% from 2012 to 2013, but has averaged a decline of about 2% per year since then. Records dating back to 2004 show that the year with the highest water demand was 2005 at 2,427,127,000 gallons.

*Please provide information about the recent water rate study.*

The information can be found on pages 34-36 of the 2015 LRP:

[http://www.downers.us/public/docs/vlg\\_budget/LRFP/Long-RangePlan2015-2017.pdf](http://www.downers.us/public/docs/vlg_budget/LRFP/Long-RangePlan2015-2017.pdf)