



# **ANNUAL REPORT**





## **COUNCIL BLUFFS WATER WORKS**

Safe Drinking Water Is Our Business

### **MISSION STATEMENT:**

THE COUNCIL BLUFFS WATER WORKS IS COMMITTED TO PROVIDING THE BEST POSSIBLE SERVICE WHILE SUPPLYING ADEQUATE QUANTITIES OF HIGH QUALITY TAP WATER TO MEET ALL THE DOMESTIC, INDUSTRIAL AND FIRE PROTECTION NEEDS OF OUR CUSTOMERS AND OUR COMMUNITY.

Front Cover Photo:

Top: Narrows Water Purification Plant and Bottom: Council Point Water Purification Plant

#### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The COVID-19 pandemic continued to dominate the news cycle in 2021. With the advent of a vaccine to combat the virus, which began to be administered in late 2020 and early 2021, we began to have a glimmer of hope that our country would break out of all the restrictions, mask-wearing, and isolation with a return to normal. Vaccines were made available at no cost to employees of the Council Bluffs Water Works through the Pottawattamie Health Department in February of 2021. While many employees took advantage of the opportunity, many did not. We continued to adhere to CDC guidelines to protect employees and limit exposure from the virus.

By mid-summer, the number of cases throughout the country dropped to much lower levels and we had the sense that we had turned the corner and the pandemic would soon be behind us. Since the pandemic's onset the Board had been conducting our monthly business meetings by Zoom. The last Zoom meeting was held on June 15, 2021, and we have met in-person since. Unfortunately, the pandemic was not over and soon we learned of one variant after another until by the end of 2021 the number of cases reached new highs. Even so, we began to learn how to live with the virus in this new normal.

While the pandemic overshadowed the mission of the Water Works, at no point did we fail to meet our customers growing water needs. In fact, we delivered a record, 4,374,000,000 gallons of water to our 22,000 plus customers. A safe drinking water supply is the lynch pin for maintaining public health, public safety, and economic sustainability. The employees of the Council Bluffs Water Works are essential in the continuous effort to accomplish that mission. As time went on the organization adapted to the new pandemic normal.

Several projects were completed through the year including the roll-out of a new customer friendly website that improved customer access to information and ease of utility bill payment. Web based payment is the fastest growing form of our utility bill payment. The Valley View Reservoir restoration project was completed in 2021. With a price tag of \$491,975, this 2-million-gallon steel ground storage reservoir was completely rehabilitated from inside to out over a one-year period without interrupting service to our customers. Originally constructed in 1979, the blue and white striped reservoir behind Iowa School for the Deaf will continue to serve our customers for years into the future. Distribution water main replacement projects continued through 2021 including the next phase of Wendy Heights, 1<sup>st</sup> Street Neighborhood, East Manawa, and others. As is typical water main replacement accounted for over 50% of our total capital improvements program. Of course, the abovementioned projects account for just a portion of our investments in 2021, as constant upkeep and maintenance is an ongoing necessity to meet the water supply needs of our customers.

Even in the midst of a pandemic we adapted, as the Board of Water Works Trustees and employees met the challenge to fulfill its obligation and mission to our customers to provide a safe, dependable and an affordable supply of high-quality drinking water from the tap. Please read this report that details the accomplishments and challenges of the dedicated employees of the Council Bluffs Water Works.

Caitlin A. Beresford Chairperson

Trustees: Martin L. Brooks Maureen R. Kruse Michael J. Wallner Keith R. Jones

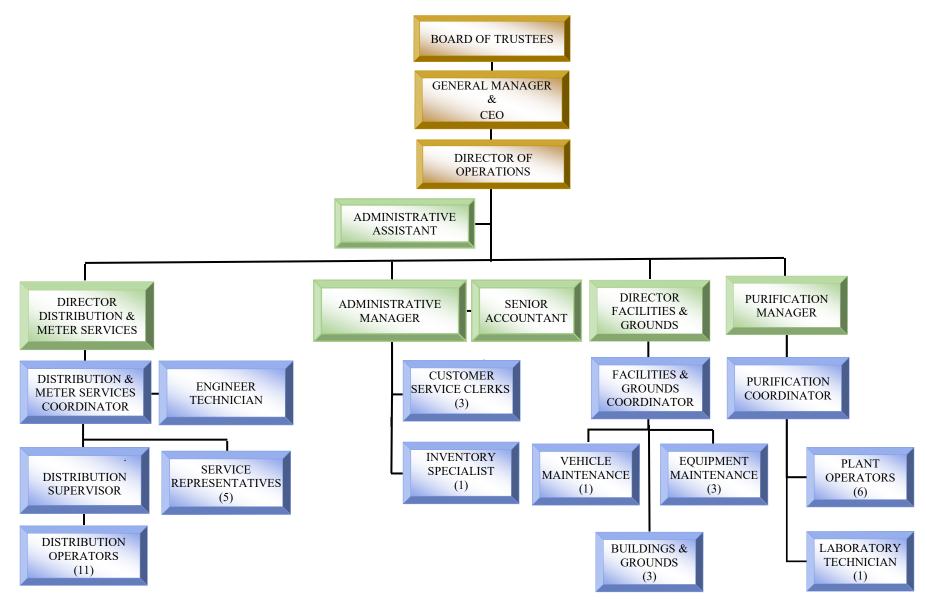
#### 2021 RATE SCHEDULE

Monthly Retail Volume Charges			
Monthly Billing		y Billing	
	Inside City (\$/CCF) Outside City (\$/CCF)		
First 1,500 Cubic Feet	\$3.70	\$5.55	
Next 28,500 Cubic Feet	\$2.69	\$4.04	
Over 30,000 Cubic Feet	\$1.70	\$2.55	

Bi-Monthly Retail Volume Charges		
	Bi-Monthly Billing Inside City (\$/CCF) Outside City (\$/CCF)	
First 3,000 Cubic Feet	\$3.70	\$5.55
Next 57,000 Cubic Feet	\$2.69	\$4.04
Over 60,000 Cubic Feet	\$1.70	\$2.55

Cubic foot = 7.48 gallons 100 cubic feet (CCF) = 748 gallons

### **COUNCIL BLUFFS WATER WORKS ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**



### ORGANIZATION

### AND

### PERSONNEL

#### **BOARD OF WATER WORKS TRUSTEES**

Chairperson	Caitlin A. Beresford	term expires June 30, 2024
Trustee	Martin L. Brooks	term expires June 30, 2025
Trustee	Maureen R. Kruse	term expires June 30, 2022
Trustee	Michael J. Wallner	term expires June 30, 2022
Trustee	Keith R. Jones	term expires June 30, 2027

#### **STAFF**

CEO and General Manager:	Douglas P. Drummey	Iowa Grade IV Operator
Administrative Assistant:	Celestine Powell	
Director of Operations:	Brian T. Cady	Iowa Grade IV Operator

#### **PURIFICATION DEPARTMENT**

Purification Manager:	John M. Meads	Iowa Grade IV Operator
Coordinator:		
Personnel:	Rodney A. Scott Timothy C. Parker Joseph S. Rhoades Brandon L. Wear Ian J. Cassidy Jacob D. Henry Joshua A. Chipp	Iowa Grade IVOperatorIowa Grade IVOperatorIowa Grade IVOperatorIowa Grade IIIOperatorIowa Grade IIIOperatorIowa Grade IIOperatorIowa Grade IIOperatorIowa Grade IIOperator

#### **DISTRIBUTION & METER SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

Director:	William E. Wiggins Jr.	Iowa Grade IV Operator
Supervisor:	Josh W. Ryan	Iowa Grade IV Operator
Coordinator:	Douglas L. Adkins	Iowa Grade II Operator
Engineering Technician:	Karen R. Cedeno-Perdue	
Distribution Personnel:	Jeffry A. Schuster Robert D. Hildreth Michal J. Tornblom Kyle W. Newsom Jacob J. Slobodnik Sammy J. McNeal Brian O. Guthrie Timothy R. Rhoades Jeffrey S. Chanley Chad D. Underwood Tylor L. Story	Iowa Grade IIOperatorIowa Grade IIOperatorIowa Grade IIOperatorIowa Grade IIOperatorIowa Grade IOperatorIowa Grade IOperator
Meter Personnel:	Russell D. Osbahr Kenny C. McKeighan Chad M. Springer Travis M. Black Jordan D. Freeman	

#### FACILITIES & GROUNDS DEPARTMENT

Director:

Coordinator:

Personnel:

Robert J. Sekera Elden D. Tackett James L. Smith Jr. Joseph A. Masker Shane E. Ruckman Andrew D. Diller Matthew B. Truax Cody A. Neighbors

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Iowa Grade I Operator

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Iowa Grade II Operator

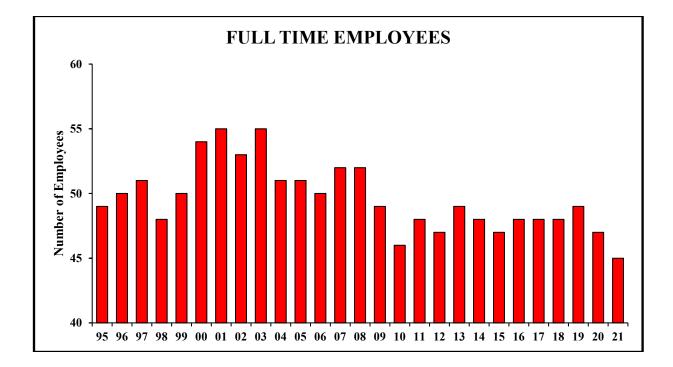
#### **CUSTOMER SERVICE & ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT**

Administrative Manager:

Karen A. Wisniski

Personnel:

Travis P. Anderson Lisa A. Hammer Loni N. Neve Amy M. Driver Alyssia J. Wiebold



### HIGHLIGHTS

### AND

### STATISTICS

#### **PURIFICATION DEPARTMENT**

The Purification Department's primary responsibility is to produce safe drinking water in compliance with all Federal and State Drinking Water Standards. The Council Bluffs Water Works delivered 4,374,272,000 gallons of potable water to our customers in 2021. The Narrows Water Purification Plant produced 3,100,422,000 gallons for an average of 8.5 million gallons per day. The Council Point Water Purification Plant produced 1,273,850,000 gallons for an average of 3.5 million gallons per day. In typical fashion, our peak month occurred during the summer in July, when more than 478,000,000 gallons of water was pumped to the system at an average daily flow of 15.4 million gallons of water per day. The peak day occurred on June 16<sup>th</sup>, when 19,332,000 gallons was pumped to the system.

The Council Bluffs Water Works Certified Bacteriological Laboratory processed a total of 2,559 bacteriological samples in 2021. Of the samples processed, 1,610 were for the Council Bluffs Water Works, 342 for other public water supplies, 112 pool samples, and 328 "Special Purpose" samples which consist of samples taken after water main breaks. The Purification Department collected 128 samples for disinfection by-product analysis and 250 Total Suspended Solid (TSS) samples for NPDES/Sanitary Discharge Compliance.

Throughout the year, the department ran thousands of tests on water quality parameters to maintain the optimal performance of both the Narrows and Council Point Water Purification Plants. To do so, plant operators carefully adjusted the application of numerous water treatment chemicals, including lime, ferric sulfate, liquid chlorine, soda ash, polymer, powder activated carbon, sodium hydroxide, sodium permanganate, hydrochloric acid, anhydrous ammonia, aqua ammonia, phosphate and fluoride in order to provide our customers the highest quality drinking water.

#### 2021 Water Quality Facts and Figures

#### **Narrows Water Purification Plant**

Total Gallons Pumped to System	3,100,422,000	
Average Gallons Pumped to System (daily)	8,494,000	
Maximum Gallons Pumped to System (single day)	14,438,000	
Average Gallons Used Per Person Per Day	192	
Source of Water	Missouri River & Missouri River Alluvium	
Finished Water Chemical Analysis		
pH	9.37	Standard Units
Alkalinity	59	mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub>
Hardness	156	mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub>
Calcium	92	mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub>
Magnesium	62	mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub>
Non-Carbonate Hardness	97	mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub>
Total Chlorine	2.30	mg/L as Cl <sub>2</sub>
Fluoride	0.65	mg/L as F <sup>-</sup>
Turbidity	0.08	Nephelometric Turbidity Units
Annual Average Temperature (Fahrenheit)	59	degrees
Council Point Water Purification Plant		

Total Gallons Pumped to System	1,273,850,000
Average Gallons Pumped to System (daily)	3,490,000

Maximum Gallons Pumped to System (single day)	4,600,000	
Average Gallons Used Per Person Per Day	192	
Source of Water	Missouri River Alluvium	
Finished Water Chemical Analysis		
pH	7.33	Standard Units
Alkalinity	175	mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub>
Hardness	162	mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub>
Calcium	112	mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub>
Magnesium	50	mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub>
Total Chlorine	2.31	mg/L as Cl <sub>2</sub>
Fluoride	0.67	mg/L as F <sup>-</sup>
Turbidity	0.07	Nephelometric Turbidity Units
Annual Average Temperature (Fahrenheit)	57	Degrees

The following chemicals and quantities were used to treat our water:

#### **Narrows Water Purification Plant**

Water Treatment Chemical	<u>Tons Used</u>	<u>\$ Cost</u>
Lime	1,889.72	\$ 415,361
Ferric Sulfate	127.92	100,677
Soda Ash	105.88	30,727
Liquid Chlorine	70.6	50,393
Sodium Hexametaphosphate	4.34	8,346
Sodium Silicofluoride	4.08	6,664
Hydrofluosilicic Acid	6.71	4,435
Polymer	14.5	18,005
Potassium Permanganate	6.45	24,546
Powder Activated Carbon	2.29	2,801
Anhydrous Ammonia	8.70	17,409
Total Water Tr	eatment Chemical Cos	

#### **Council Point Water Purification Plant**

Water Treatment Chemical	<u>Tons Used</u>	<u>\$ Cost</u>
MCI310 Antiscalant	14.0	\$ 29,877
Aqueous Ammonia	15	5,636
Citric Acid	9.0	9,787
Hydrofluosilicic Acid	15	8,355
Hydrochloric Acid	266	57,290

Ortho-polyphosphate	8.0	8,160
Anionic Polymer	8.0	27,585
Kleen MCT – 105, Low pH	.0285	142
Kleen MCT – 405, High pH	.03125	62
Sodium Bisulfite	9.0	4,603
Sodium Hydroxide 30%	133.0	47,172
Sodium Hydroxide 50%	41	13,552
Sodium Permanganate	53.0	85,283
Sodium Chloride	62	12,995
Total Water Treatme	ent Chemical Cost	\$310,499

#### **DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT**

The Distribution Department is responsible for the maintenance and operation of all underground facilities in the water distribution system and fire hydrants, including 313 miles of water main, 7,100 valves and 2,984 fire hydrants. The department responds to emergency call-outs 24/7 under all weather conditions to repair water main breaks and restore water service to Water Works' customers in a timely manner.

In 2021, the Distribution Department continued with the leak survey of our entire system and maintained all fire hydrants as a part of our annual hydrant maintenance program. Additionally, our personnel responded to 161 emergency call-outs throughout the year during all hours and weather conditions to ensure continued water service to our customers.

The Distribution Department's water main replacement efforts this year continued in support of city street and sewer replacement projects. Water mains were also added in new developments. Department personnel repaired approximately 1,344 square yards of Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) paving, and 255 square yards of asphalt overlay was installed by various contractors.

This year the department:

Made 149 small taps, and 14 purification taps Replaced/Killed 42 lead services Checked 1,144 service leaks Turned on/off 46 services Repaired 33 service lines and 105 curb boxes Replaced 33 services from the main to stop box 2 services were moved for construction by Water Works personnel 55 services were connected by contractors Killed 37 services at the main and 17 at the curb stop Answered 9,250 requests for service line or main location Turned 473 large valves, rebuilt 104, replaced 6 and added 8 new valves Installed 8 additional valves with Water Works mains Repaired 62 main breaks, moved 4 water mains Repaired 19 valve boxes Made 9 large taps (4 inches and above) Removed 19 fire hydrants from service which were obsolete, damaged or for main replacement 12 hydrants were replaced by Water Works personnel 3,805 hydrants were listened to while performing leak survey Checked 2,265 hydrants Repaired 104 hydrants Relocated 4 hydrants Flushed 610 hydrants Thawed out 43 fire hydrants Flow tested 39 fire hydrants

Observed installation of 11,607 feet of new mains installed by contractors.

Mains installed by the Distribution Department were:

22 feet of 4 – inch main 1,367 feet of 6 – inch main 186 feet of 8 – inch main 9 feet of 16 – inch main

Mains installed by contractors were:

#### **METER SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

The Meter Department's primary function is to read over 22,000 water meters on a monthly and bi-monthly basis, repair and replace meters as needed, complete disconnect and reconnect orders, collect delinquent accounts and respond to service call requests as needed.

In 2021, the Meter Department continued to upgrade and exchange 339 water meters as part of our meter replacement program. While continuing to maintain and upgrade the Water Works' 22,000 plus water meters, we installed an additional 125 radio read meters to improve meter reading efficiency.

In addition to the meter exchanges this year the department:

Replaced 112 dead meters Removed 18 meters for demolition Repaired 43 leaking meters Replaced 103 frozen meters 5 curb boxes were raised Installed 141 touch pads Installed 125 radio reading devices Exchanged 40 radio reading devices Exchanged 109 radio reading batteries Set 84 new addresses with meters Set 6 new addresses with large meters Exchanged 118 small meters Exchanged 7 large meters 339 meters were exchanged for the Meter Exchange Program There were a variety of 453 non-scheduled orders 81 meters were tested for accuracy or malfunction Wired 53 new construction homes Rewired 80 existing customer homes Monitored 370 new construction homes Checked 28 homes for low water pressure Surveyed 142 accounts for leaks Set and Removed 103 Hydrant Meters Performed 3,099 final readings Read 3,336 RMMS (Reading Meter Management System) Researched 102 high bill orders Verified 8 meter readings 1,336 notes were left to read the meter Turned on 479 delinquent accounts for Customer Service 6,079 cards were left for delinquent accounts Turned on 855 water services

Turned off 754 water services Inspected Pump Stations 2,197 Investigated 6 water main leaks Investigated 142 service leaks There were 143,956 meter readings

#### FACILITIES & GROUNDS DEPARTMENT

The Facilities and Grounds Department is responsible for the maintenance of all facilities, equipment, buildings and grounds, including the Narrows and Council Point Water Purification Plants, Administration Building, five (5) Booster Pump Stations, four (4) Ground Storage Reservoirs, and five (5) Elevated Storage Tanks. The eleven (11) locations account for approximately 217 acres of land spread throughout the city, along with the equipment at and within those facilities, including but not limited to HVAC systems, pumps and their control systems, telemetry and process monitoring equipment. The Facilities and Grounds crew takes pride in maintaining the appearance of all Water Work's properties and facilities.

The department maintains the organization vehicle and equipment fleet with over forty (40) pieces of equipment including automobiles, service trucks, dump trucks, backhoes, tractors, mowers, compressors, welders, trailers and specialty equipment used for concrete and water main repair.

Power and fuel are essential to our operations. It took 10,306,680 kWh of electricity at a cost of \$679,988.99 to process and distribute nearly four billion gallons of water. We also used 17,356 gallons of lead free gasoline at a cost of \$41,518.71 and used 11,081 gallons of red diesel fuel at a cost of \$26,485.31 to fuel the Water Works fleet. We used 38,014 thousand cubic feet (MCF) of natural gas at a cost of \$22,824.05 to heat our buildings and structures.

#### CUSTOMER SERVICE & ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

#### Information Technology System Hardware/Software Updated

During May 2021, Oxen Technology installed new servers and workstations for the Water Works. Also, with the computer upgrades, Cogsdale Corporation upgraded our Microsoft Great Plains Dynamics Financials and Cogsdale Customer Service/Utility Billing System Software.

#### Website – Update

The Water Works hired JM Online to design, modernize and update our website. We worked with the Web Development Relationship Manager to get the website updated. The new website was launched on August 24, 2021. With the new website, we have new features available for our customers. Customers are now able to sign up, start, transfer, and stop service. Customers will still be able to view their accounts and make payments on our website using our current web module from the Cogsdale Corporation. The old website was launched in November 2007. Please visit our new website at www.cbwaterworks.com.

#### **Customer Service**

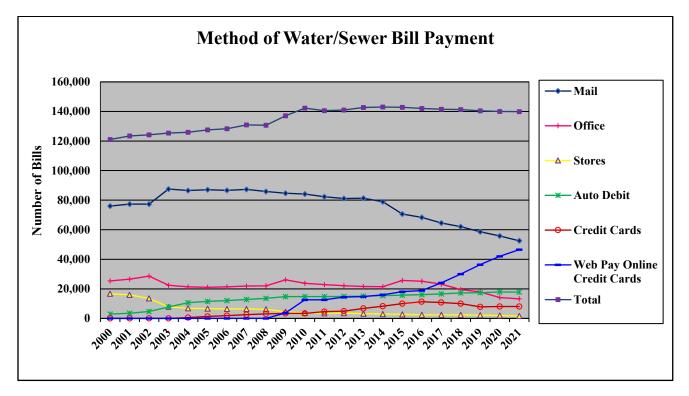
Our Customer Service Representatives do an excellent job assisting Water Works customers with their questions concerning their bills, turning on/off services, signing up for service and paying bills whether it is by telephone or in person. If Customer Service need to send a Service Representative to the customer's location, a service order is prepared for the Meter Department and then processed when the order is completed.

In 2021, the department mailed out 141,391 water bills, and sent 31,973 reminder notices and 19,718 shut-off notices to customers. There were 139,834 payments processed. There were 17,820 automatic bank payments. There were 6,739 service orders processed for final readings, high bills, dead meters, or to install new meters. There were 762 meters installed or replaced. Customer Service Representative made 862 payment arrangements with customers. 371 water bills were paid on the day of shut-off and 733 services were discontinued for non-payment. There were 146 returned checks that had to be collected from customers. 3,195 service contracts were processed to transfer, reinstate or add new customers to the system.

The Council Bluffs Water Works continues to see an increase in the number of customers paying their bills on our website. There were 8,096 credit card payments and 46,532 online web credit card payments.

The Accounting Department processed \$22,414,230.65 in receipts and payments in 2021, including processing water and sewer bill payments and making the daily bank deposits. The department is responsible for processing accounts payable invoices, checks, payroll, the budget, fixed assets and other information for the general ledger. The department prepares monthly reports for the Board and other departments. The most recent audit found no irregularities or deficiencies in accounting practices and procedures.

Department personnel oversee the daily operations of the storeroom and warehouse. The Inventory Specialist is responsible for the purchase, storage and allocation of material and resources needed for all departments with an inventory value at \$1,484,495.36.



#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Council Bluffs Water Works has 22,257 active service accounts: 20,402 residential; 1,855 are commercial or industrial.

Last year, total production was 4,374,272,000 gallons.

Residential customers consumed 1,079,823,272 gallons in 2021. The average residential customer used 52,927 gallons at a cost of \$287.72 per year or \$23.98 per month.

Our top ten customers consumed 1,908,776,320 gallons, 44% total production.

#### SERVICES PROVIDED OUTSIDE THE CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA

658 outside-City customers paid \$440,878.24 for 71,854,376 gallons of water.

The City of Crescent paid \$65,877.15 for 20,507,916 gallons of water.

Regional Water paid \$187,432.95 for 53,327,164 gallons of water.

In total, outside City Customers paid \$694,188.34 for 145,689,456 gallons of water. This represents 5.1% of metered water sales and 3.3% of total water production.

#### SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA

The Council Bluffs Water Works provided 47,673,032 gallons of water to the City free of charge, having a value of \$193,045.45. Also, on behalf of the City, the Council Bluffs Water Works collected \$7,709,118.54 in sewer use fees.

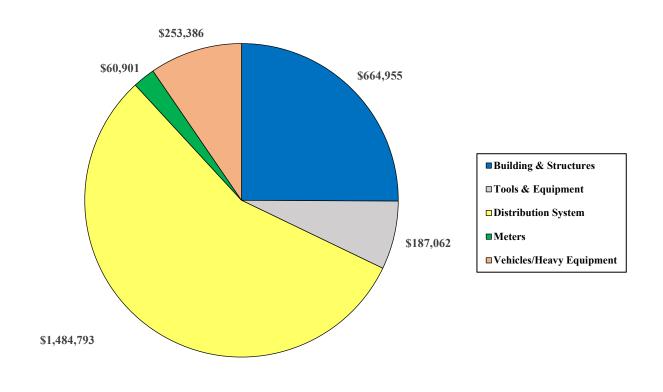
#### TOP TEN CUSTOMERS

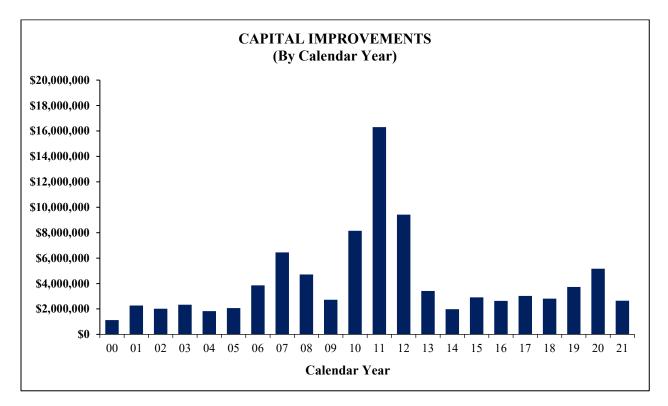
	<u>2021 Rank</u>	<u>2020 Rank</u>
1.	Google, Inc. (Council Bluffs)	1
2.	ConAgra Frozen Foods	2
3.	Tyson Foods, Inc.	3
4.	Plumrose USA, Inc.	4
5.	MidAmerican Energy	6
6.	Tetra, LLC	5
7.	City of Council Bluffs	7
8.	Regional Water	8
9.	Iowa Western Community College	9
10.	Dallas Johnson Greenhouses	unranked

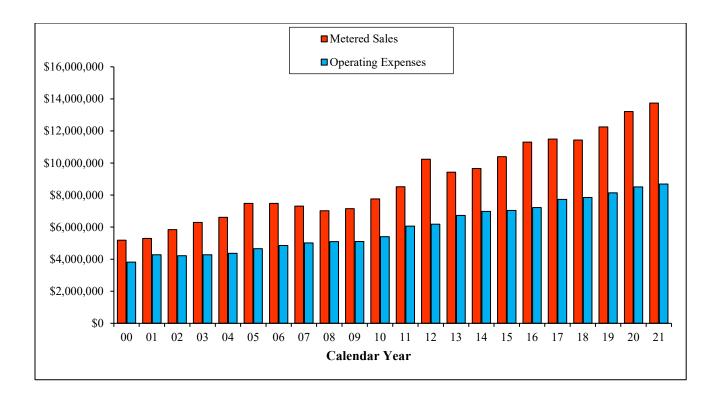
The Council Bluffs Water Works has 313 miles of water mains consisting of:

1-inch main		3,192	feet
$1 \frac{1}{4}$ -inch main	ı	310	feet
$1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch main	-	138	feet
2-inch main	•	1,054	feet
4-inch main		27,040	feet
6-inch main		572,645	feet
8-inch main		384,955	feet
10-inch main		167,111	feet
12-inch main		248,305	feet
16-inch main		172,701	feet
20-inch main		7,953	feet
24-inch main		21,947	
30-inch main		14,691	feet
36-inch main		29,277	feet
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Number of Hydrants:	2,984		
Number of Valves:	7,100		

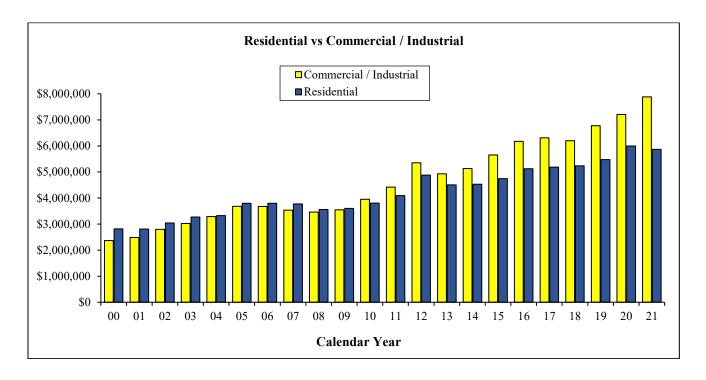
#### 2021 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TOTAL \$2,651,097







#### METERED SALES vs OPERATING EXPENSES



#### WATER REVENUE

#### **COUNCIL BLUFFS WATER WORKS**

#### PUMPAGE & METERED CONSUMPTION (1,000's Gallons) 2021

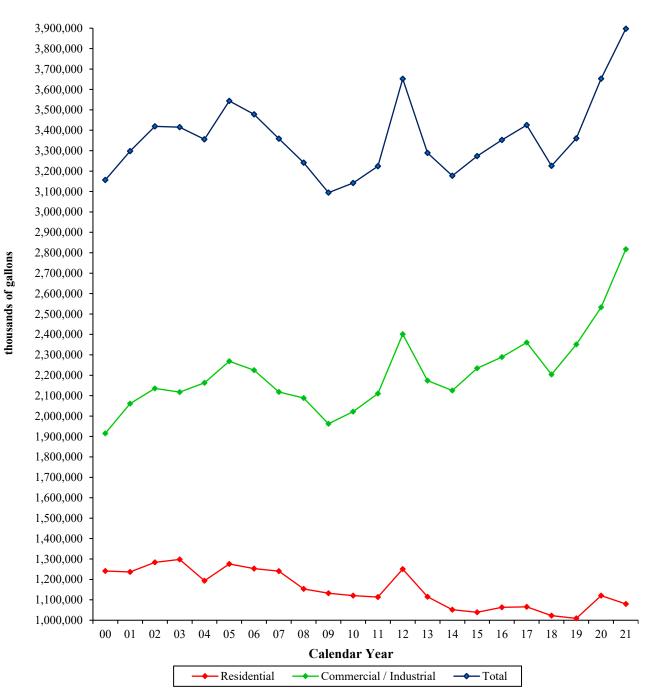
MONTH	PUMPAGE TOTAL	METERED CONSUMPTION TOTAL	CONSUMPTION COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL	RESIDENTIAL
January	294,520	260,885	185,429	75,456
February	271,059	245,748	169,214	76,534
March	320,960	268,583	195,265	73,318
April	331,895	292,235	214,333	77,902
May	371,156	319,882	241,655	78,227
June	471,043	402,452	294,088	108,364
July	478,461	383,869	282,705	101,164
August	465,711	434,540	302,041	132,499
September	413,415	383,161	283,258	99,903
October	360,049	352,516	248,198	104,318
November	298,271	285,143	203,992	81,151
December	297,732	268,274	197,287	70,987
Totals 2021	4,374,272	3,897,288	2,817,465	1,079,823
Ratio		89.1%	64.4%	24.7%
Totals 2020	4,191,778	3,652,832	2,532,645	1,120,187
Ratio		87.1%	60.4%	26.7%
Totals 2011	3,812,510	3,223,701	2,109,993	1,113,708
Ratio		84.6%	55.3%	29.3%

#### COUNCIL BLUFFS WATER WORKS

#### METERED SALES (\$) 2021

MONTH	TOTAL	COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL	RESIDENTIAL
January	\$ 954,007	\$ 530,760	\$ 423,247
February	922,919	498,506	434,413
March	963,975	551,058	412,917
April	1,031,631	591,499	440,132
May	1,111,596	677,543	434,053
June	1,375,176	805,172	570,004
July	1,316,758	788,881	527,877
August	1,502,694	832,251	670,443
September	1,312,433	788,841	523,592
October	1,244,051	688,493	555,558
November	1,021,299	575,045	446,254
December	985,265	553,649	431,616
Totals 2021	\$ 13,741,804	\$ 7,881,698	\$ 5,870,106
Ratio		57.3%	42.7%
Totals 2020	\$ 13,204,776	\$ 7,209,504	\$ 5,995,272
Ratio		54.6%	45.4%
Totals 2011	\$ 8,514,184	\$ 4,418,578	\$ 4,095,606
Ratio	. ,	51.9%	48.1%

#### **RESIDENTIAL VERSUS COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL**



#### **CONSUMPTION**

#### HISTORY

Construction of the Council Bluffs Water System began in 1881 by the American Construction Company of New York City, which had been granted a 25-year franchise by the City of Council Bluffs. Under the franchise, the American Construction Company was to construct and operate a water system. The system constructed was very inferior, and during the life of the franchise, practically no improvements or extensions were made. As a result, along with the poor service rendered by the water company, the renewal of the franchise was rejected by the voters in 1906. In 1911, the City acquired the water system through condemnation proceedings at a cost of \$510,000. On June 1, 1911, the control of the Council Bluffs Water Works came under the Board of Water Works Trustees, which had been appointed by the Mayor. Their first task was to reconstruct or replace practically the entire system. The utility remains under the control of a five-member Board of Trustees, appointed by the Mayor on alternate terms of six years each. Many physical changes have occurred within the water system itself. The system in 1911 consisted of obtaining water from the Missouri River near North 37th Street, settling in large reservoirs, disinfecting, and pumping. Disinfection was begun in 1910 which eliminated illness and deaths from typhoid. In 1952, a conventional lime softening water treatment plant, known as the Narrows was constructed at North 25th Street. The Administration Building was relocated to North 25th Street in 1974. In the ensuing thirty years many other improvements have been made including the construction of the 2,000,000 gallon Valley View Reservoir, a Distribution/Meter Department Office and Warehouse Complex, a 1,500,000 gallon Clearwell, a modern Chlorine Handling Facility, 3 Elevated Storage Tanks, two Pump Stations and one storage reservoir. In 2010 Board began construction of a new groundwater source of supply and integrated membrane water treatment plant known as Council Point, on the south side of the City. This new source of supply began serving the City in 2013.

#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SYSTEM OPERATIONS

The Narrows Water Purification Plant's main source of water is the Missouri River. Four low service pumps are located at the intake pump station. #1 pump is rated at 12.5 million gallons per day (MGD) and is a dual drive pump (electric or gas engine). #2 pump is rated at 5.5 MGD. #3 pump is a variable speed with a maximum capacity of 9.0 MGD. #4 pump is also variable speed with a maximum capacity of 12.5 MGD. Any single pump can be run from a standby generator if commercial power fails.

The secondary source of water is the Missouri River Alluvium. Two wells at a depth of 150 feet have a capacity of 4.5 MGD each.

Traveling screens at the Intake Pump Station remove large debris before it is pumped to twin preliminary settling basins where the sand and heavy silt settle out. Polyelectrolytes are added when necessary to enhance the settling process. Well water is blended with the cold river water in the winter to minimize icing problems within the basins. Water then flows by gravity through the remaining treatment steps.

There are two independent treatment trains at the purification plant. Typically, the plant operates in a split treatment mode where lime is added to approximately 70% of the water to elevate the pH sufficiently to precipitate magnesium and calcium ions. This softened water is blended with un-softened water as needed to adjust the pH and hardness of the water. Soda Ash and Ferric Sulfate are added as required to complete the coagulation and softening process. A series of mixers and flocculators ensure a complete chemical reaction prior to the clarification basins. Solids are recycled to the mixers as a catalyst for the chemical reactions.

Water then flows to 8 gravity multi-media filters. Each filter has a rated capacity of 3.0 MGD. The filters remove any remaining particles. The filters have a granular activated carbon cap that remove dissolved organic compounds and taste and odor causing compounds by adsorption.

Chlorine is added as a disinfectant before and after the filters. Fluoride is added as a prophylaxis. The water then flows through two 1.5 million gallon baffled clearwells to ensure inactivation of microorganisms. Ammonia is then added to convert the chlorine to chloramines to stabilize the chlorine residual and control disinfection by-products.

There are four high service pumps that deliver water to the City. Two of the pumps have a capacity of 10 MGD, one is 7.5 MGD and the smallest is 6 MGD. Pumps can be run in any combination to meet demand. Typical plant discharge pressure is 90 - 100 pounds per square inch. A 500 kW and 100 kW generators provide emergency backup power to the plant in case of commercial power failure.

The Council Point Water Purification Plant's source of water is five wells in the Missouri River alluvium to a depth of 100 feet. The groundwater is pumped to the pretreatment building where it is first aerated to oxidize iron followed by chemical addition to oxidize manganese. Insoluble iron and manganese is removed by ultrafiltration. Dissolved minerals are removed by reverse osmosis. Chlorine is added as a disinfectant. Fluoride is added as a prophylaxis. Finished water is stored in a 3.0 million gallon clearwell. There are three high service pumps that deliver water to the City, each with variable frequency drives and capable of delivering 4.0 MGD. The plant is automated and controlled by the water plant operators from the Narrows Water Purification Plant.

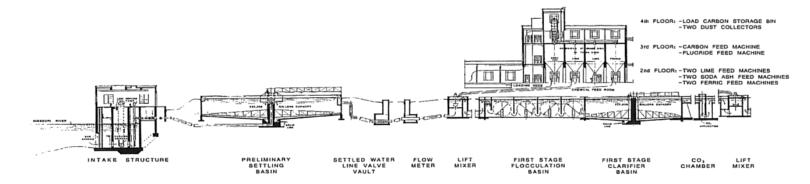
The distribution system has three pressure zones. The first zone is the flat (western and southern) sections of the city and is served by three 2 million gallon reservoirs and one 3-million gallon reservoir. Three of the reservoirs are located downtown and one is located in the southeastern part of the city.

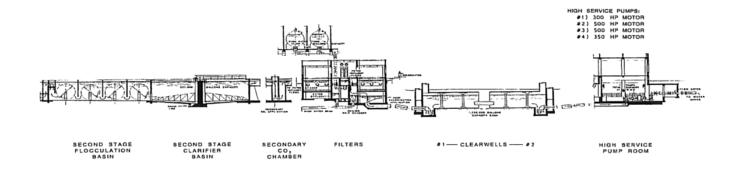
Four booster pump stations and 4 elevated storage tanks with a combined capacity of 1.2 million gallons serve the second pressure zone (bluffs). Lincoln Pump Station has three pumps rated at 600, 750 and 750 gallons per minute (GPM), one is dual drive (electric or gas). Lincoln Pump Station delivers water to the northern section of the City and pumps to a 500,000 gallon elevated tank at Buena Vista Circle and a 200,000 gallon elevated tank at Simms Avenue. Glen Pump Station has three pumps rated at 1500, 800 and 2500 GPM, the largest being a dual drive. This booster pump station delivers to the eastern section of the city and pumps to a 200,000 gallon elevated tank at Memorial Park and a 300,000 gallon tank on Greenview Drive. The Valley View Pump Station has two pumps rated at 750 GPM and 1500 GPM. A gas fired generator provides emergency backup power. This new pump station supports the rapidly growing eastern sections of the city. Oak Street Pump Station has three pumps rated at 400, 700 and 700 GPM, one is a dual drive. This pump station supports both the northern and eastern sections of the bluffs.

A third pressure zone of the distribution system serves the eastern portions of the system. The Airport/Bent Tree pump station has three variable speed pumps each with a maximum capacity of 600 gallons per minute and pump to a 400,000 gallon elevated tank on Highway 6. A gas fired generator provides emergency backup power.

A Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System monitors all pump station and tank operations from the Water Treatment Plant located on North 25<sup>th</sup> Street.







**Council Point Water Treatment Plant** 

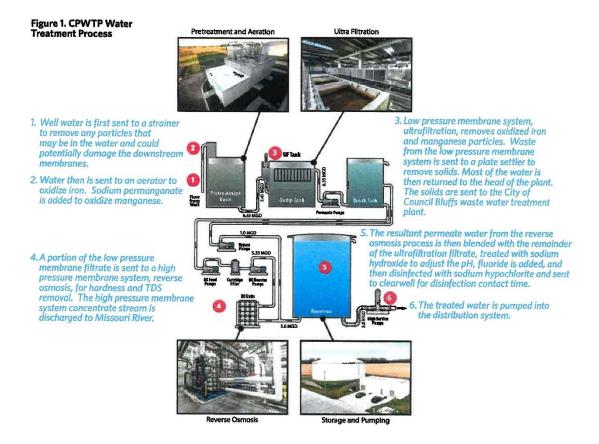


#### Unique Application of Different Technology, Techniques, Materials or Equipment

The CPWTP uses a process which employs the use of semi-permeable membranes (low pressure followed by high pressure) to separate impurities from well water, as shown in Figure 1 below. While membrane technology is not a new technology, the application of low pressure membranes followed by high pressure membranes is a unique application that is a model for other communities to follow. This process has very limited application in the United States and is a unique combination of technology that will serve as a model for other lowa communities.

The CPWTP includes a level of automation that allows remote operation of the facility. Every component of the facility from the raw water supply to the membrane processes and chemical systems is automated, allowing operation from the Narrows WTP through the CBWW SCADA system. The facility is also monitored from the Narrows WTP through CCTV. The processes in operation at the facility can be easily shutdown, started up, and varied, allowing a quick response to system needs. This automation has allowed CBWW to maintain efficient staffing of their treatment facilities, therefore reducing the costs to their customers.

Another unique application of technology is the **on-site chlorine generation**. Salt (very similar to table salt) is delivered to the site and stored as brine solution in large storage tanks. The brine solution is exposed to high level of electrical current in the generators to make a dilute concentration of liquid sodium hypochlorite. The concentration of the chemical is low and the amount generated can be limited to the amount consumed every day or two, so the quantities on site are smaller and the risks from gaseous or liquid chlorine to the employees and neighboring area are greatly reduced.



# COUNCIL BLUFFS CITY WATER WORKS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2021 AND 2020 (With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)

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**Certified Public Accountants** 



#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Board of Trustees Council Bluffs City Water Works Council Bluffs, Iowa

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Council Bluffs City Water Works, Council Bluffs, Iowa (Water Works) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Council Bluffs City Water Works' basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Council Bluffs City Water Works as of December 31, 2021, and 2020, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Council Bluffs City Water Works and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Council Bluffs City Water Works ability to continue as a going concern for the period January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Water Works internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Water Works' ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Other Matter**

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis (pages 1 through 4), Schedule of the Utility's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (page 20) and the Schedule of the Utility's Contributions (pages 21 through 22) be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Information

The Budgetary Comparison Schedule on page 24 has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standard

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 3, 2022 on our consideration of the Council Bluffs City Water Works internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Council Bluffs City Water Works internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Hamilton associates, P.C.

Council Bluffs, Iowa June 3, 2022

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2021

Council Bluffs Water Works provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the calendar year ending December 31, 2021. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with our financial statements, which follow.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The Water Works' operating revenues increased 4.2% or \$586,672 from calendar year 2020 to 2021.
- The Water Works' operating expenses decreased by 2.1% or (\$249,119), in calendar year 2020 to 2021.
- The Water Works' net position increased 40.6% or \$19,693,391, from December 31, 2020 to December 31, 2021.

#### **USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT**

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the Water Works financial activities.

Financial Statements consist of Statements of Net Position, Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, and Statements of Cash Flows. These provide information about the activities of the Council Bluffs Water Works as a whole and present an overall view of the Water Works finances.

Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information further explains and supports the net pension liability and IPERS contributions.

Other Information further explains and supports the financial statement with a comparison of the Water Works' budget for the year.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2021

#### **FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

#### Statements of Net Position

The statements of net position present the assets, liabilities, and net position of the Water Works, as of the end of the calendar year. The purpose of this statement is to present a summary of the Water Works to the readers of the financial statements. The statements of net position include year-end information concerning current assets and liabilities, and net position (assets less liabilities). Readers of the financial statement is a good source for readers to determine how much the Water Works owes to outside vendors and creditors. The statement presents the available assets that can be used to satisfy those liabilities.

The largest portion of the Water Works' net position 87.4% is the investment in capital assets (building and structures, furniture and fixtures, tools and equipment, distribution system, meters and automotive equipment), less the related debt. The restricted portion of the net position .3% includes resources that are subject to restrictions. The remaining net position 12.3% is the unrestricted position that can be used to meet the Water Works' obligations as they come due.

Statements of Net Position				
December 31, 2021	and 2	2020		
		<u>2021</u>		2020
Current assets	\$	8,499,447	\$	4,544,699
Restricted assets		2,443,729		5,035,929
Capital assets		87,467,901	2	71,649,685
Total assets	\$	98,411,077	\$	81,230,313
Deferred outflows of resources	\$	223,816	\$	437,653
Current liabilities (payable from current assets)	\$	3,561,921	\$	3,890,052
Current liabilities (payable from restricted assets)		2,169,397		4,660,945
Revenue bonds payable		23,947,000		25,730,275
Other liabilities	-	1,296,880		3,888,757
Total liabilities	\$	30,975,198	\$	38,170,029
Deferred inflows of resources	\$	1,956,440	\$	80,273
Net investment in capital assets	\$	61,297,284	\$	43,310,042
Restricted		274,331		274,983
Unrestricted		6,575,369		4,868,568
Total net position	\$	68,146,984	\$	48,453,593

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2021

#### Statement of Revenues and Expenses

The Statement of Revenues and Expenses reflects a positive with an increase in the net assets at the end of the calendar year.

In calendar year 2021, operating revenues increased by \$586,762 or 4.2%, due to an 9.6% increase in consumption.

A summary of revenues and expense for the years ending December 31, 2021 and 2020 is presented below:

Statements of Reve December 31,				
		2021		2020
Operating revenues				
Metered water sales	\$	13,730,685	\$	13,206,758
Rental		150,444		145,416
Other	-	721,736		664,019
Total operating revenues	\$	14,602,865	\$	14,016,193
Operating expenses				
Facilities and grounds	\$	904,048	\$	944,193
Inventory adjustment		(5,739)		9,062
Purification		2,258,900		2,353,693
Distribution and meter		1,610,989		1,422,004
Customer accounting		652,999		585,617
Administration and general		2,707,225		2,626,271
Pension and social security		29,794		603,511
Depreciation	1	3,527,892	-	3,390,876
Total operating expenses	\$	11,686,108	\$	11,935,227
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)				
Interest on investments	\$	77,100	\$	150,035
Interest expense		(575,130)		(663,340
Loss on disposal of equipment	-	(21,673)		(1,268
Nonoperating revenues, net	\$	(519,703)	\$	(514,573
Change in net position	\$	2,397,054	\$	1,566,393
Total Net Postion		68,146,984		48,453,593

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2021

#### Statement of Cash Flows

The Statement of Cash Flows presents information related to cash inflows and outflows, summarized by operating, capital and related financing and investing activities. Cash provided by operating activities include metered water sales, miscellaneous water sales, penalty charges, and service charges. Cash used from capital and related financing activities includes: principal payment of revenue bonds, interest paid on consumer deposits, additions to property, plant, and equipment, and contributions-in-aid of construction. Cash used by investing activities includes interest income.

#### **CAPITAL ASSETS**

At December 31, 2021 the Water Works had \$156,963,273 invested in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation of \$69,495,372. Depreciation expense totaled \$3,527,892 for calendar year 2021. More detailed information about the Water Works' capital assets is presented in Note 4 to the financial statements.

#### LONG-TERM DEBT

At December 31, 2021, the Water Works had \$25,887,000 debt outstanding. See Note 5 to the financial statements for more information.

#### **ECONOMIC FACTORS**

Council Bluffs Water Works continued to support development throughout the community to improve its financial position during the current calendar year.

Facilities and the distribution system operated by Water Works require constant maintenance and upkeep.

Chemical cost, electricity, maintenance of mains and services, and health insurance continue to put pressure on the Water Works resources.

Continued growth in the community requires the Water Works to invest in new infrastructures to meet the growing demands of the community.

Vulnerability and security improvement of our system will be an ongoing process.

#### CONTACTING THE COUNCIL BLUFFS WATER WORKS FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Water Works finances and operating activities. If you have any questions or require additional, information please contact the General Manager, 2000 North 25<sup>th</sup> Street, P O Box 309, Council Bluffs, Iowa 51502.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **COUNCIL BLUFFS CITY WATER WORKS**

#### STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION

December 31, 2021 and 2020

ASSETS	2021	2020
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash (Note 2)	\$ 6,772,055 1,484,496	\$ 5,878,786
Inventory Receivables:	1,404,490	1,142,823
Consumer accounts	1,768,132	1,605,730
Unbilled revenues	412,333	432,345
Total receivables	\$ 2,180,465	\$ 2,038,075
Prepaid expense	506,160	520,944
Total current assets	\$ 10,943,176	\$ 9,580,628
RESTRICTED ASSETS (Note 3)	2,443,729	5,035,929
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT, NET (Note 4)	87,467,901	71,649,685
Total assets	\$ 100,854,806	\$ 86,266,242
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Pension related deferred outflows (Note 9)	\$ 223,816	\$ 437,653
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES (payable from current assets):		
Accounts payable	\$ 199,297	\$ 283,424
Accrued wages and payroll taxes	60,409	51,495
Accrued compensated absences	309,760	310,784
Accrued interest payable	41,997	44,822
Construction costs payable	268,799	343,239
Retainage payable	14,818	383,128
Due to City of Council Bluffs	726,841	590,160
Current portion of long term debt (Note 5)	1,940,000	1,883,000
Total current liabilities (payable from		
current assets)	\$ 3,561,921	\$ 3,890,052
CURRENT LIABILITIES (payable from restricted assets):		
Consumer deposits	\$ 838,635	\$ 837,725
Plant expansion and main extension escrow deposits	1,041,037	3,538,242
Accrued interest on consumer deposits	289,725	284,978
Total current liabilities (payable from		
restricted assets)	\$ 2,169,397	\$ 4,660,945
LONG TERM DEBT (Note 5)	\$ 23,947,000	\$ 25,730,275
OTHER LIABILITIES		
Deferred revenue (Note 6)	\$ 1,245,680	\$ 1,272,760
Net pension liability (Note 9)	51,200	2,615,997
Total other liabilities	\$ 1,296,880	\$ 3,888,757
Total liabilities	\$ 30,975,198	\$ 38,170,029
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Pension related deferred inflows (Note 9)	\$ 1,956,440	\$ 80,273
NET POSITION		
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 61,297,284	\$ 43,310,042
Restricted	274,331	274,983
Unrestricted	6,575,369	4,868,568
Total net position	\$ 68,146,984	\$ 48,453,593
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See Notes to Financial Statements

#### **COUNCIL BLUFFS CITY WATER WORKS**

#### STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
OPERATING REVENUES		
Metered water sales	\$ 13,730,685	\$ 13,206,758
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Total operating revenues	\$ 14,602,865	\$ 14,016,193
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Customer accounting	652,999	585,617
Administration and general	2,707,225	2,626,271
Pension and social security	29,794	603,511
Depreciation	3,527,892	3,390,876
Total operating expenses	\$ 11,686,108	\$ 11,935,227
Operating income	\$ 2,916,757	\$ 2,080,966
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)		
Interest on investments	\$ 77,100	\$ 150,035
Interest expense	(575,130)	(663,340)
Loss on disposal of equipment	(21,673)	(1,268)
Nonoperating revenues,-net	\$ (519,703)	\$ (514,573)
Change in net position	\$ 2,397,054	\$ 1,566,393
NET POSITION - BEGINNING	\$ 48,453,593	\$ 46,439,215
Contributions in aid of construction (Note 7)	17,296,337	447,985
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR	\$ 68,146,984	\$ 48,453,593

See Notes to Financial Statements

# STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

	2021	2020
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash received from customers and users Cash received from other revenues Cash paid to suppliers for goods and services Cash paid to employees and on their behalf (Payments) receipts for City sewer services net of collections Net cash provided by operating activities:	\$ 13,588,295 845,100 (5,138,229) (3,896,996) 136,681 \$ 5,534,851	<pre>\$ 13,044,724</pre>
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES Principal payment of long term debt Long term debt issued Interest paid on long term debt Interest paid on consumer deposits Additions to property, plant, and equipment Plant expansion and main extension escrow deposits Contributions-in-aid of construction Net cash provided by (used in) capital and related financing activities	<pre>\$ (1,883,000)</pre>	<pre>\$ (1,827,000) 3,055,797 (638,789) (29,798) (5,536,673) (2,345,018) 447,985 \$ (6,873,496)</pre>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Interest received on investments Net cash provided by investing activities	77,100 \$ 77,100	150,035 \$ 150,035
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	\$ (1,698,931)	\$ (1,547,463)
CASH - BEGINNING OF YEAR	10,914,715	12,462,178
CASH - END OF YEAR	\$ 9,215,784	\$ 10,914,715
RECONCILIATION TO BALANCE SHEETS Cash Cash included in restricted assets	\$ 6,772,055 2,443,729 \$ 9,215,784	\$ 5,878,786 5,035,929 \$ 10,914,715
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Operating income (loss) Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities: Depreciation	\$ 2,916,757 3,527,892	\$ 2,080,966 3,390,876
Changes in assets and liabilities: (Increase) Decrease in inventory (Increase) Decrease in receivables (Increase) Decrease in prepaid insurance (Increase) Decrease in deferred outflows of resources Increase (Decrease) in accounts payable Increase (Decrease) in salaries payable Increase (Decrease) in accrued compensated absences Increase (Decrease) in due to City of Council Bluffs Increase (Decrease) in deferred revenue Increase (Decrease) in net pension liability Increase (Decrease) in consumer deposits	(341,673) (142,390) 14,784 213,837 (84,127) 8,914 (1,024) 136,681 (27,080) (2,564,797) 910	(9,720) (162,034) (120,563) (48,140) (7,523) (95,240) 6,707 (7,417) (27,080) 414,526 22,370
Increase (Decrease) in deferred inflows of resources	1,876,167	(261,730)
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 5,534,851	\$ 5,175,998

# See Notes to Financial Statements

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

# 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Council Bluffs City Water Works ("Water Works") is a related organization to the City of Council Bluffs, Iowa ("City") and is not included in the City's financial statements. The Mayor, with City Council concurrence, appoints individuals to the Water Works' Board of Trustees. The Water Works' Board of Trustees maintains oversight responsibility and, therefore, is responsible for selection of management personnel and all financial matters. The authority to adopt the annual budget, to incur debt and to fix rates and charges is vested in the Board of Trustees. The Water Works is exempt from state and Federal income taxes. The Water Works' financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis.

# **Reporting Entity:**

For financial reporting purposes, the Water Works has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The Water Works has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the Water Works are such that exclusion would cause the Water Works' financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and 1) the ability of the Water Works to impose its will on that organization or 2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the Water Works. The Water Works has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

# Basis of Presentation:

The accounts of the Water Works are organized as an Enterprise Fund. Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations (a) financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges or (b) where the governing body has decided periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

The Statement of Net Position presents the Water Works assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net position. Net position is reported in the following categories:

*Net investment in capital assets* – Consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation/amortization and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes and other debt attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

Restricted - Use of net position is externally imposed.

Unrestricted – The portion of net position that is not in restricted or net of investment in capital assets.

#### Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting:

The financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider are met.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

# 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

#### Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting - Continued:

Water Works distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the Water Works' principal ongoing operations. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

#### Use of estimates:

In preparing the accompanying financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents:

For purposes of the statements of cash flows, the Water Works considers all highly liquid instruments with a maturity date of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

#### Consumer Accounts Receivable:

The consumer accounts receivable balance includes an assessment for sewer fees, which the Water Works bills on behalf of the City. A corresponding liability represents the amount of consumer accounts receivable that will be remitted to the City upon collection.

#### Revenues:

Metered water sales include amounts billed to customers on a monthly and bimonthly cycle basis and unbilled amounts based on estimated usage from the latest meter reading to the end of the accounting period.

#### Valuation of Inventories:

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost (average cost method) or market.

#### Contributions-in-Aid of Construction and Contributed Capital:

Contributions of cash by governments, customers or developers are maintained by the Water Works as restricted assets and restricted liabilities until expended. When expended the contributor's costs of construction are recorded as property, plant and equipment and contributed capital. Further, a contribution may be in the form of a completed project in which the contributor's costs of construction is recorded directly into the property, plant and equipment and contributed capital accounts. Depreciation expense recognized on these assets is charged to contributed capital.

#### **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

# 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

#### Property, Plant and Equipment:

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method based on estimated useful lives.

Maintenance and repair of property, plant and equipment are charged to operations and major improvements are capitalized. Upon retirement, sale or other disposition of property, plant and equipment, the cost and accumulated depreciation are eliminated from the accounts and gain or loss is included in operations.

#### Deferred Outflows of Resources:

Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. Deferred outflows of resources consist of unrecognized items not yet charged to pension expense and contributions from the employer after the measurement date but before the end of the employer's reporting period.

#### Accrued Compensated Absences:

Accrued compensated absences represent vacation time, which has been earned by employees in the current year to be used in subsequent years. Sick leave does not vest and, therefore, is not accrued.

#### Pensions:

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS) and additions to/deductions from IPERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by IPERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

#### Deferred Inflows of Resources:

Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Although certain revenues are measurable, they are not available. Available means collected within the current year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. Deferred inflows of resources in the financial statements represent the amount of assets that have been recognized, but the related revenue has not been recognized since the assets are not collected within the current year. Deferred year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. Deferred year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. Deferred inflows of resources represent the difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments.

#### Subsequent Events:

Subsequent events have been evaluated through June 3, 2022, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

# 2. Cash and Short-Term Investments

Below is a summary of the deposit and investment portfolios that comprise cash and investments on the December 31, 2021 balance sheet including restricted cash and cash equivalents and investments:

Deposits:

At December 31, 2021, deposits consisted of demand deposits and certificates of deposits and had the following balances:

Book Balance	\$ 9,213,983
Bank Balance	\$ 9,644,999

Of the total deposits, \$250,000 was covered by federal depository insurance and \$9,394,999 was covered by pledged securities that are being held in the pledging bank's trust department in the Board's name in the form of a joint safekeeping receipt.

# 3. Restricted Assets

Restricted assets represent money set aside for payment of bonds, proceeds from bond issues to be used for capital improvements, or contributions of cash by governments, customers, or developers for costs of construction. These contributions are reflected as restricted assets until expended. Details of the accounts comprising restricted assets as of December 31, 2021 and 2020 are as follows:

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Consumer deposit fund cash	\$ 1,131,839	\$ 1,151,266
Plant expansion deposit Main extension deposit	 1,208,628 103,262	 3,884,663
	\$ 2,443,729	\$ 5,035,929

#### 4. Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment at December 31, 2021 and 2020 consisted of the following:

Description	<u>Useful Life in</u> <u>Years</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Land	-	\$ 3,500,307	\$ 3,500,307
Building and Structures	20 - 50	37,234,980	36,829,265
Water Distribution System	20 - 75	91,373,494	68,322,768
Meters	25 - 40	2,351,265	2,290,399
Tools and Equipment	3 - 20	18,483,297	18,486,297
Automobiles and Trucks	5	1,866,913	1,661,359
Office Equipment	15	104,985	104,985
Work in Progress	-	2,048,032	7,217,853
		\$ 156,963,273	\$ 138,413,233
Less Accumulated Depreciation		(69,495,372)	(66,763,548)
		\$ 87,467,901	\$ 71,649,685

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

### 5. Revenue Bonds

In 2010, the Water Works executed the final \$25 million of its \$35.353 million Water Revenue Bonds for construction of a second water treatment facility. The Water Revenue Bonds originally bore interest at 3.00% due in 2040. In 2019 \$7,416,000 of these bonds were refinanced with an interest rate of 1.75%. In 2020 the remaining original balance of \$17,205,000 were also refinanced with an interest rate of 1.75%. The Iowa Finance Authority also charges an annual service fee of 0.25%. As of December 31, 2013, the Water Works had drawn down the \$35,353,000.

In 2015, the Water Works issued Water Revenue Bonds in the amount of \$1,200,000 for the purchase of land adjacent to their treatment plant to protect existing wells from potential contamination by farming practices and industries wanting to locate on adjacent property. The bonds are non-interest bearing, and are due in 2034. The lowa Finance Authority charges an annual service fee of 0.25%.

In 2018, the Water Works issued Water Revenue Bonds in the amount of \$5,025,000 for the construction of a West Broadway transmission water main project. The Water Revenue Bonds bear interest at 1.75% due in 2039. The Iowa Finance Authority also charges an annual service fee of 0.25%. As of December 31, 2021, the Water Works had drawn down \$5,021,000.

All of the bonds require that the Water Works produce and maintain net revenues at a level not less than 110% of the amount of principal and interest on the Revenue Bond falling due in the same year. The Water Works was in compliance with this requirement for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020.

Years ended			Total
December 31,	Principal	Interest	Requirements
2022	\$ 1,940,000	\$ 435,558	\$ 2,375,558
2023	1,999,000	402,652	2,401,652
2024	2,057,000	368,725	2,425,725
2025	2,121,000	333,778	2,454,778
2026	2,185,000	297,710	2,482,710
2027-2031	11,253,000	911,120	12,164,120
2032-2036	2,534,000	264,355	2,798,355
2037-2040	1,798,000	60,673	1,858,673
	\$ 25,887,000	\$ 3,074,571	\$ 28,961,571

Principal and interest requirements to maturity on revenue bonds outstanding at December 31, 2021 are as follows:

#### 6. Deferred Revenue

In 2017, the Water Works signed an agreement that provided the buyer exclusive communications easement and non-exclusive access and utility easement for 50 years. In 2018, the Water Works received \$1,354,000 for a 50-year communications easement. Revenue of \$27,080 will be recognized ratable each year over the 50-year agreement period. The deferred revenue balances as of 2021 and 2020 respectively of \$1,245,680 and \$1,272,760 represent remaining cash received that has not yet been recognized.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

# 7. Contributions-in-Aid of Construction and Contributed Capital

The following is a schedule of contributions of cash by governments and customers or developers:

	Othe Governm		Total
Balances at January 1, 2020	\$ 1,588	3,627 \$ 5,377,84	6 \$ 6,966,473
Contributions-in-aid of construction	346	3 <b>,488</b> 101,49	7 447,985
Transfers – Depreciation of contributed property, plant and equipment	(142	2,094) (612,55	6) (754,650)
Balances at December 31, 2020	\$ 1,793	3,021 \$ 4,866,78	7 \$ 6,659,808
Contributions-in-aid of construction		- 17,296,33	7 17,296,337
Transfers – Depreciation of contributed property, plant and equipment	(140	0,052) (914,51	7) (1,054,569)
Balances at December 31, 2021	\$ 1,652	2,969 \$ 21,248,60	7 \$ 22,901,576

#### 8. Risk Management

The Water Works is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Water Works carries commercial insurance for all risks of loss, including errors and omissions, destruction of assets and natural disasters. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

The Water Works participates in a partially self-funding benefit plan for its employees' health insurance. The plan is administered by a third-party, which estimates The Water Works maximum annual exposure to be \$530,550. The Water Works contributes funds monthly to a separate bank account to supplement the employee's deductible. The balance in this account as of December 31, 2021 and 2020 was \$5,617 and \$39,896, respectively.

#### **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

#### 9. Pension Plan

### Plan Description:

IPERS membership is mandatory for employees of the Water Works, except for those covered by another retirement system. Employees of the Water Works are provided with pensions through a cost-sharing multiple employer-defined benefit pension plan administered by Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS). IPERS issues a stand-alone financial report which is available to the public by mail at 7401 Register Drive P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117 or at www.ipers.org.

IPERS benefits are established under Iowa Code chapter 97B and the administrative rules thereunder. Chapter 97B and the administrative rules are the official plan documents. The following brief description is provided for general informational purposes only. Refer to the plan documents for more information.

# Pension Benefits:

A regular member may retire at normal retirement age and receive monthly benefits without an earlyretirement reduction. Normal retirement age is age 65, any time after reaching age 62 with 20 or more years of covered employment, or when the member's years of service plus the member's age at the last birthday equals or exceeds 88, whichever comes first. (These qualifications must be met on the member's first month of entitlement to benefits.) Members cannot begin receiving retirement benefits before age 55. The formula used to calculate a Regular member's monthly IPERS benefit includes:

- A multiplier (based on years of service).
- The member's highest five-year average salary. (For members with service before June 30, 2012, the highest three-year average salary as of that date will be used if it is greater than the highest five-year average salary.)

If a member retires before normal retirement age, the member's monthly retirement benefit will be permanently reduced by an early-retirement reduction. The early-retirement reduction is calculated differently for service earned before and after July 1, 2012. For service earned before July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.25 percent for each month that the member receives benefits before the member's earliest normal retirement age. For service earned starting July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.50 percent for each month that the member age 65.

Generally, once a member selects a benefit option, a monthly benefit is calculated and remains the same for the rest of the member's lifetime. However, to combat the effects of inflation, retirees who began receiving benefits prior to July 1990 receive a guaranteed dividend with their regular November benefit payments.

#### **Disability and Death Benefits:**

A vested member who is awarded federal Social Security disability or Railroad Retirement disability benefits is eligible to claim IPERS benefits regardless of age. Disability benefits are not reduced for early retirement. If a member dies before retirement, the member's beneficiary will receive a lifetime annuity or a lump-sum payment equal to the present actuarial value of the member's accrued benefit or calculated with a set formula, whichever is greater. When a member dies after retirement, death benefits depend on the benefit option the member selected at retirement.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

# 9. Pension Plan – Continued

# Contributions:

Contribution rates are established by IPERS following the annual actuarial valuation which applies IPERS' Contribution Rate Funding Policy and Actuarial Amortization Method. State statute limits the amount rates can increase or decrease each year to 1 percentage point. IPERS Contribution Rate Funding Policy requires the actuarial contribution rate be determined using the "entry age normal" actuarial cost method and the actuarial assumptions and methods approved by the IPERS Investment Board. The actuarial contribution rate covers normal cost plus the unfunded actuarial liability payment based on a 30-year amortization period. The payment to amortize the unfunded actuarial liability is determined as a level percentage of payroll based on the Actuarial Amortization Method adopted by the Investment Board.

In the year ending December 31, 2021, pursuant to the required rate, Regular members contributed 6.29 percent of pay and the Water Works contributed 9.44 percent for a total rate of 15.73 percent.

The Water Works' total contributions to IPERS for the year ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 were \$279,809 and \$289,698, respectively.

<u>Net Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows</u> of Resources Related to Pensions:

At December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Water Works reported a liability of \$51,200 and \$2,615,997, respectively, for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Water Works' proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Water Works' share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all IPERS participating employers. At June 30, 2021, the Water Works' collective proportion was (.014831) percent which was a decrease of .052070 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2020. At June 30, 2020, the Water Works' collective proportion was nincrease of .000778 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

# 9. Pension Plan – Continued

<u>Net Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows</u> of Resources Related to Pensions - Continued:

For the year ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, the Water Works recognized pension expense of (\$189,736) and \$386,078, respectively. The Water Works reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources at December 31:

\$141,065 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the Water Works contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2021. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions as of December 31, 2021, will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

	2021			2020					
	Deferred Deferred		Deferred		Deferred				
		tflows of		flows of sources	_	Outflows of		Inflows of Resources	
		sources	110	sources		esources	rte	sources	
Differences between expected and	•		•	00.440	•				
actual experience	\$	38,955	\$	39,113	\$	2,890	\$	62,006	
Changes of assumptions		33,488		-		134,278		-	
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		-	1,	855,007		147,060		-	
Changes in proportion and differences between Water Works contributions and proportionate share of contributions		10,308		62,320		15,054		18,267	
Water Works' contributions subsequent to the measurement date		141,065				138,371		-	
	\$	223,816	\$1,	956,440	\$	437,653	\$	80,273	

# Year Ended December 31,

2022	\$	(461,420)
2023		(463,502)
2024		(432,187)
2025		(515,476)
2026		(1,104)
Total	\$ (	1,873,689)

There were no non-employer contributing entities at IPERS.

#### **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

#### 9. Pension Plan – Continued

#### Actuarial Assumptions:

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2020 actuarial valuations were determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Rate of inflation (effective June 30, 2017)	2.60 percent per annum
Rates of salary increase (effective June 30, 2017)	3.25 to 16.25 percent, average, including inflantion Rates vary by membership group.
Long-term investment rate of return (effective June 30, 2017)	7.00 percent, compounded annually, net of investment expense, including inflation.
Wage growth (effective June 30, 2017)	3.25 percent per annum based on 2.60 percent inflation and .65 percent real wage inflation.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2020 valuation were based on the results of an economic assumption study dated March 24, 2017 and a demographic assumption study dated June 28, 2018.

Mortality rates used in the 2020 valuations were based on the RP-2014 Employee and Healthy Annuitant Tables with MP-2017 generational adjustments. Mortality rates used in the 2021 valuation were based on the RP-2014 Generational Mortality Tables, with age setbacks and age set forwards as well as other adjustments based on different membership groups.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a buildingblock method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Asset Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic Equity	22%	4.43%
International Equity	17.5	5.15
Global smart beta equity	6	4.87
Core-plus fixed income	28	-0.29
Public Credit	4	2.29
Cash	1	-0.18
Private equity	11	6.54
Private real assets	7.5	4.48
Private credit	3	3.11
Total	100%	

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

# 9. Pension Plan – Continued

#### Discount Rate:

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7 percent for 2021 and 2020. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the contractually required rate and that contributions from the Water Works will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

# Sensitivity of the Water Works' Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate:

The following presents the Water Works' proportionate share of the net pension liability recorded at December 31, 2021 using the discount rate of 7 percent, as well as what the Water Works' proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.0 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.0 percent) than the current rate.

	1%	Discount	1%
	Decrease	Rate	Increase
	(6.0%)	(7.0%)	(8.0%)
Water Works' proportionate share			
of the net pension liability - 2021	\$ 1,812,084	\$ 51,200	\$ (1,424,536)

The following presents the Water Works' proportionate share of the net pension liability recorded at December 31, 2020 using the discount rate of 7.0 percent, as well as what the Water Works' proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.0 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.0 percent) than the current rate.

	1%	Discount	1%
	Decrease	Rate	Increase
	(6.0%)	(7.0%)	(8.0%)
Water Works' proportionate share			
of the net pension liability - 2020	\$ 4,361,955	\$ 2,615,997	\$ 1,152,039

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Years Ended December 31, 2021 and 2020

# 9. Pension Plan – Continued

### Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position:

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued IPERS financial report which is available on IPERS' website at <u>www.ipers.org</u>.

# Payables to the Pension Plan:

At December 31, 2021, the Water Works reported payables to the defined benefit pension plan of \$5,308 for legally required employer contributions and \$3,542 for legally required employee contributions which had been withheld from employee wages but not yet remitted to IPERS. At December 31, 2020, the Water Works reported payables to the defined benefit pension plan of \$4,524 for legally required employer contributions and \$3,019 for legally required employee contributions which had been withheld from employee wages but not yet remitted to IPERS.

# 10. Commitments

As of December 31, 2021, the Water Works had construction contracts in progress with remaining future commitments totaling \$493,103. Funding for these projects is expected to be obtained through drawing down funds on the 2018 Water Revenue Bonds, and contributions in aid of construction from customers and developers.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# SCHEDULE OF THE WATER WORKS' PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY lowa Public Employee's Retirement System Last Year\*, ended June 30

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Water Works' proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	-0.0148305%	0.0372398%	0.0380176%	0.0374052%	0.0369811%	0.0373848%	0.0405283%
Water Works' proportionate share of the net pension liability	51,200	2,615,997	2,201,471	2,367,093	2,463,408	2,352,748	1,607,315
Water Works' covered-employee payroll	3,011,382	3,068,838	2,983,267	2,811,350	2,760,458	2,682,875	2,595,093
Water Works' proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	1.70%	85.24%	73.79%	84.20%	89.24%	87.70%	61.94%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	100.81%	82.90%	85.45%	83.62%	82.21%	87.82%	87.61%

\* The amounts presented for each year were determined as of June 30.

# See accompanying independent auditor's report

**Note:** GASB Statement No.68 requires ten years of information to be presented in this table. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the Water Works will present information for those years for which information is available.

# SCHEDULE OF WATER WORKS' CONTRIBUTIONS

Iowa Public Employee's Retirement System Last Ten Calendar Years, ending December 31 (In Thousands)

	2021	 2020	 2019	 2018
Statutorily required contributions	284	\$ 290	\$ 275	\$ 262
Contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution	(284)	 (290)	 (275)	 (262)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u> </u>	\$ -	\$ 	\$ 
Water Works' covered-employee payroll	3,011	\$ 3,068	\$ 2,912	\$ 2,857
Contributions as a percentage of covered- employee payroll	9.44%	9.44%	9.44%	9.17%

See accompanying independent auditor's report

# SCHEDULE OF WATER WORKS' CONTRIBUTIONS

Iowa Public Employee's Retirement System Last Ten Calendar Years, ending December 31 (In Thousands)

	2017	 2016	 2015	 2014	 2013		2012
\$	249	\$ 243	\$ 235	\$ 234	\$ 228	\$	204
-	(249)	 (243)	 (235)	 (234)	 (228)	-	(204)
\$		\$ 	\$ 	\$ -	\$ _	\$	
\$	2,788	\$ 2,720	\$ 2,628	\$ 2,620	\$ 2,594	\$	2,434
	8.93%	8.93%	8.94%	8.93%	8.79%		8.38%

# NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - PENSION LIABILITY

Year ended December 31, 2021

### 1. Changes of benefit terms

There are no significant changes in benefit terms.

# 2. Changes of assumptions

The 2018 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a demographic assumption study dated June 28, 2018.

- Changed mortality assumption to the RP-2014 mortality tables with mortality improvements modeled using Scale MP-2017.
- Adjusted retirement rates.
- Lowered disability rates.
- Adjusted the probability of a vested Regular member electing to receive a deferred benefit.
- Adjusted the merit component of the salary increase assumption.

The 2017 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of an experience study dated March 24, 2017:

- Decreased the inflation assumption from 3.00 percent to 2.60 percent.
- Decreased the assumed rate of interest on member accounts from 3.75 percent to 3.50 percent per year.
- Decreased the discount rate from 7.50% to 7.00%.
- Decreased the wage growth assumption from 4.00% to 3.25%.
- Decreased the payroll growth assumption from 4.00% to 3.25%.

The 2014 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Decreased the inflation assumption from 3.25 percent to 3.00 percent
- Decreased the assumed rate of interest on member accounts from 4.00 percent to 3.75 percent per year.
- Adjusted male mortality rates for retirees in the Regular membership group.
- Reduced retirement rates for sheriffs and deputies between the ages of 55 and 64.
- Moved from an open 30-year amortization period to a closed 30-year amortization period for the UAL beginning June 30, 2014. Each year thereafter, changes in the UAL from plan experience will be amortized on a separate closed 20-year period.

OTHER INFORMATION

# BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, **EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN BALANCES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL**

Year ended December 31, 2021

			Budget
	2021	2021	Variance Favorable
	Actual	Budget	(Unfavorable)
Operating revenues:		Duuget	
Metered water sales	\$ 13,730,685	\$ 12,400,000	\$ 1,330,685
Rental	150,444	121,000	29,444
Other	721,736	677,000	44,736
	721,100	017,000	
Total operating revenues	\$ 14,602,865	\$ 13,198,000	\$ 1,404,865
Operating expenses:			
Facilities and grounds	\$ 904,048	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 95,952
Inventory adjustment	(5,739)	5,000	10,739
Purification	2,258,900	2,759,000	500,100
Distribution and meter	1,610,989	1,465,000	(145,989)
Customer accounting	652,999	517,000	(135,999)
Administration and general	2,707,225	2,817,400	110,175
Pension and social security	498,855	465,000	(33,855)
Total operating expenses	\$ 8,627,277	\$ 9,028,400	\$ 401,123
Operating income	\$ 5,975,588	\$ 4,169,600	\$ 1,805,988
Nonoperating revenues (expenses): Interest on investments	\$ 77,100	\$ 85,000	\$ (7,900)
Interest expense	(575,130)		
Loss on disposal of equipment		(580,000)	4,870
Loss on disposal of equipment	(21,673)	(5,000)	(16,673)
Nonoperating revenues, net	\$ (519,703)	\$ (500,000)	\$ (19,703)
Surplus (Deficit) from Operations	\$ 5,455,885	\$ 3,669,600	\$ 1,786,285
Debt Service	(1,883,000)	(1,883,000)	-
Capital Outlay	(2,514,194)	(2,845,000)	330,806
Bond Proceeds	156,725	87,500	69,225
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 1,215,416	\$ (970,900)	\$ 2,186,316

Reconcilation to statement of revenues and expenses:

Budget Basis Deficit	\$	1,215,416
Debt Service		1,883,000
Capital Outlay		2,514,194
Bond Proceeds		(156,725)
Pension Expense		469,061
Depreciation and Amortization	·	(3,527,892)
Excess of revenues over expenses	\$	2,397,054

# BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, **EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN BALANCES – BUDGET AND ACTUAL**

Year ended December 31, 2021

# 1. Budgetary reporting

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the Water Works' Board of Trustees adopts a budget following required public notice and hearing. The budget is adopted on a budget basis which consists of accrual basis revenues and expenditures plus cash outlay for debt service and capital improvements and cash receipts of bond proceeds. The annual budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures. In 2021, there were no budget amendments and disbursements did not exceed the amount budgeted.



# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH "GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS"

The Board of Trustees Council Bluffs City Water Works Council Bluffs, Iowa

We have audited the financial statements of the Council Bluffs City Water Works as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021 and have issued our report thereon dated June 3, 2022. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Council Bluffs City Water Works' internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Council Bluffs City Water Works' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Council Bluffs City Bluffs City Water Works' internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

#### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Council Bluffs City Water Works' financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the Water Works' operations for the year ended December 31, 2021 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the Water Works. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

# Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the result of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Hamilton associates, P.C.

Council Bluffs, Iowa June 3, 2022

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

Year ended December 31, 2021

# I. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

None reported

#### **II. OTHER FINDINGS RELATED TO STATUTORY REPORTING**

- II-A-20 <u>Certified Budget</u> We compared the Water Works disbursements for the twelve months ended December 31, 2021 with the published budget and found that disbursements did not exceed the amounts budgeted.
- II-B-20 <u>Questionable Disbursements</u> No disbursements that we believe may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney general's opinion dated April 25, 1979 were noted.
- II-C-20 <u>Travel Expense</u> No expenditures of funds for travel expenses of spouses of Water Works' officials or employees were noted.
- II-D-20 <u>Business Transactions</u> During the course of our audit of Water Works as of December 31, 2021, we looked at many records substantiating disbursements. We noted no business transactions between the Water Works and Water Works' officials or employees.
- II-E-20 <u>Bond Coverage</u> We reviewed the statutory provisions for surety bond coverage of Water Works' officials and employees. The City has an ordinance allowing the City to set bonding requirements for the Water Works. Resolution 83-475 sets the amount of surety bond coverage for board members at \$500 annually. Water Works maintains public officials' liability insurance, which sufficiently meets bond coverage requirements.
- II-F-20 <u>Board Minutes</u> We noted no transactions that we believe should have been approved in the Board minutes but were not.
- II-G-20 <u>Deposits and Investments</u> Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa, requires that public bodies approve the financial institutions and maximum amounts that may be kept on deposit in each approved depository. The Water Works has an approved depository resolution and at December 31, 2021, deposits did not exceed the maximum amount approved for deposit in one financial institution.
- II-H-20 <u>Revenue Notes</u> No instances of non-compliance with the revenue bond and note requirements were noted.