Metropolitan Council Environmental Services

\$60 Million PFA Funding

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Summary

Spending on 2011 PFA loan was exhausted in December 2011

- \$60 million PFA loan requested at all-time low interest rate of apx. 1.6%
- Loan will be used to finance approved capital spending 12+ months

PFA loans expected to provide about 60% of wastewater capital spending in CIP period



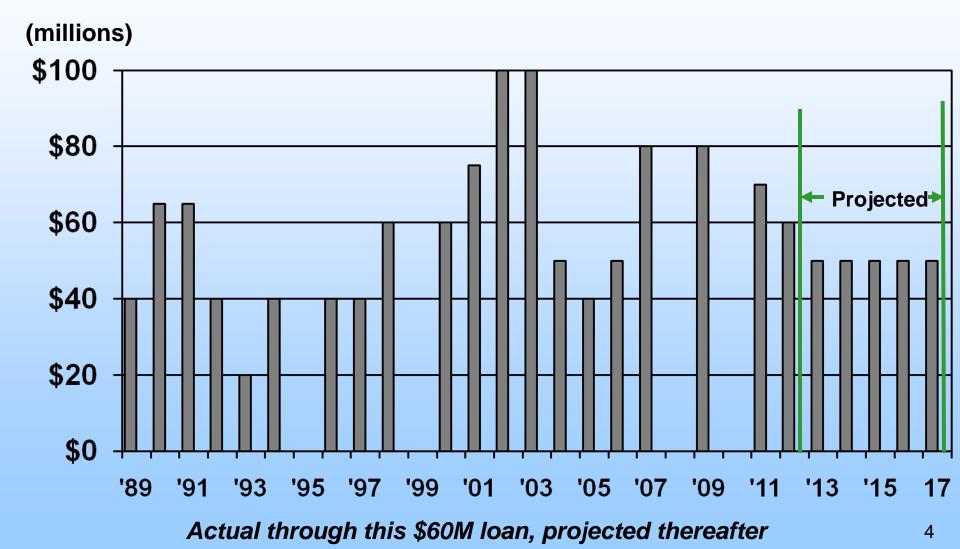
Revolving Clean Water Loan Program

MCES's historical involvement

- Active in program since 1989
- 20 separate prior loan agreements
- \$1.115 billion of prior loans to date
- Interest rates from 1.77% (2011) to 6.42% (1991)
- PFA gets money predominantly from EPA's "State Revolving Fund" (SRF) program; also state bond dollars

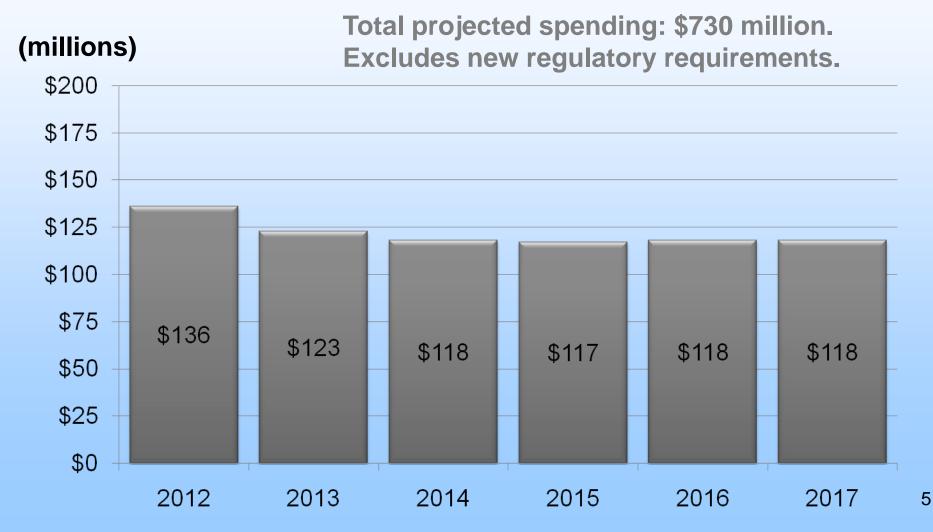


PFA Loans (Actual and Projected)



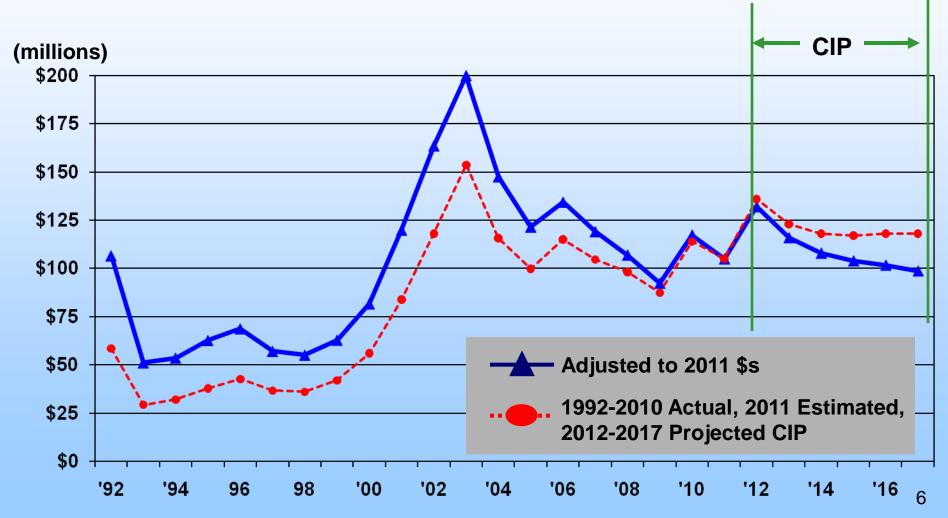


2012-2017 Capital Spending





History and projections





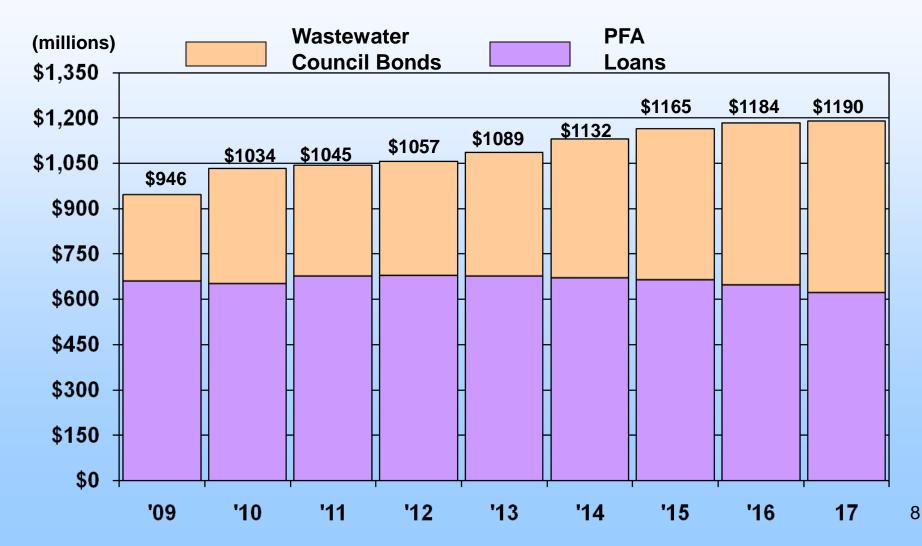
Debt Service Projections

(\$ millions)	Debt Service	Pre-funded D.S.	Budgeted D.S.	Increase
2012	96.9	0	96.9	4.7%
2013	102.0	(1.0)	101.0	4.2%
2014	105.7	0	105.7	4.7%
2015	114.3	(1.5)	112.8	6.7%
2016	123.8	(2.0)	121.8	8.0%
2017	136.0	(3.5)	132.5	8.8%





2009 and 2010 are actual; other years projected





Peer Agencies

Debt per capita (person)*

San Diego	\$43 I
Denver	\$79
Memphis	\$139
Chicago	\$279
Kansas City	\$283
MCES	\$343
Phoenix	\$354
Dallas/Ft Worth	\$415
Washington, DC	\$480

Philadelphia	\$530
Cleveland	\$543
Milwaukee	\$725
Miami	\$734
Detroit	\$738
Nashville	\$768
Cincinnati	\$789
Austin	\$1,085
Sacramento	\$1,154

\$1,287
\$1,572
\$1,593
\$1,861
\$1,872

*2007 data from 2008 NACWA survey



Compared to Council Tax Exempt Bonds

\$60 million loan	(\$ in mi	llions)
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2.98% Council Bonds	\$80.2	\$60.0
1.60% PFA loan*	70.3	52.6
Savings to ratepayers	\$10.6	\$ 7.4
Underwriters discount	\$ 0.5	\$ 0.5
Cost of issuance	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1
Arbitrage savings	\$.3	\$.3
Total Present Value Saving	s \$11.5	\$ 8.3

* 137.5 basis point discount below market rate per formula in PFA rules.



Anticipated Key Loan Terms

- Closing date of loan is in the second week of February (week after Council approval)
- Funds are received after expenses incurred
- No interest accrual until disbursement of funds
- Interest rate is 1.60% (137.5 basis points off market rate); locked in on 12/21/11
- Council must complete projects even after this funding is exhausted
 - Loan backed by Council's general obligation





- Principal repayment schedule over 20 years is slightly modified from level annual debt service
- Refunding or prepayment savings split with PFA
- Sale of assets and management contracts restricted
- Metro Plant Facilities Improvement projects have extra restrictions and must have declaration recorded against title
- Federal prevailing wage rates (Davis-Bacon) must be used



Tentative Calendar

11/28/11	Loan request letter to PFA
12/10/11	Council capital budget authorizes staff to negotiate PFA loans
12/21/11	Locked in interest rate
Jan. 10	Environment Committee info
Jan. 25	Management Committeebusiness item to authorize execution of loan documents
Feb. 8	Council approval
Feb. 9-14	Settlement of the loan