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BPW Update to Council

Bond Ordinance

As I mentioned at the last couple of Council meetings, the Board has elected to fund the Chloramine Alternative Project by selling bonds. Council approved the bonding language and it will be on the August 7th ballot for voters to consider. It is titled proposition "A" and is for \$17.5 million dollars to cover the addition of a Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) filtration to the water treatment process.

I have attended a few local service club meetings to discuss the project and proposed funding mechanism. The discussions have been productive and are a great opportunity to answer questions about this project and other utility topics.

Keep in mind; the Board has been advised that this is not a second vote on disinfecting the drinking water with ammonia. Instead this vote would exclusively be for voters to weigh in on whether the project is funded with bonds or not.

Even without voter approval to sell bonds to fund the project, the Board is still obligated under the current City Ordinance (no. 4759) to remove ammonia from the drinking water process by March 31, 2020. Another funding mechanism would be to lease finance the project, which is estimated to cost an additional \$1.4 million over the life of the debt payments.

Chloramine Alternative Project Update

Matt Munzlinger, BPW Utility & Planning Engineer and project manager for the Chloramine Alternative project will be at the council meeting to provide an update on the project. I anticipate a 60% set of drawings to be available sometime in July, and Matt will have an interesting perspective on the GAC treatment system design.