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TO:

Utilities Committee

FROM:

Paula Vandehey, Director of Public Works

DATE:

January 5, 2022

SUBJECT:

2022 Private Lead/Galvanized Service Replacement Program.

At the December 15, 2021 meeting of the Common Council, the Lead and Galvanized Water Service Line Replacement Ordinance was approved. This Ordinance requires property owners to replace their lead/galvanized service line within one year of notification by the City. The Common Council also allocated \$1 million of ARPA funds for replacing known public lead service lines. Based on the new Ordinance language and funding availability, the following program is recommended for 2022:

2022 Private Lead/Galvanized Service Replacement Program

Property owners will be notified by the city early in 2022 that they have a private lead/galvanized water service that needs to be replaced within one year of notification.

Property owner will be provided the option of:

- (1) Contracting with a licensed contractor to complete the replacement at the sole expense of the property owner within 365 days of notification by the city, or
- (2) Requesting to be included in the Water Utility System Construction Project. The Utility shall include an alternative to the contract requesting unit bid prices for the calculation of the cost for customer-side water service line replacement. These costs shall be covered by the funding allocated to the 2022 Private Lead/Galvanized Service Program, and not assessed back to the property owner. However, all restoration of the owner's property shall be the responsibility of the property owner (including, but not limited to topsoil, concrete, steps, asphalt, bushes, porches, and the like) and not part of the construction project.

In order to participate in the 2022 Program, property owner must notify the city no later than 30 days of written notification that they are requesting to be included in the Water Utility Construction Project and allow city staff access to home to review plumbing to water meter.