



# DETROIT WATER AND SEWERAGE DEPARTMENT NOTICE

## PUBLIC MEETING FOR WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT FY24 DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (DWSRF) PROJECT

The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) announces a Public Meeting regarding its Project Plan for proposed Water Main Replacement in the City of Detroit. DWSD will be seeking low interest Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) loan assistance for FY2024. These projects are comprised of replacing aging water mains at select locations in the neighborhoods of Buffalo-Charles, Dexter-Linwood, Davison, Midtown, Medical Center, Cultural Center and Barton-McFarland. The projects are titled WS-725 (Project A) and WS-TBD (Project B).

Construction will include excavation of existing water mains, installation of new pipes, rehabilitation of pipes, replacement of Lead (Pb) water service lines of two inches diameter or less to connect the water main and the customer water meter, pressure testing, backfill of the excavation required for piping work, and restoration of each work site. All work to be performed within the existing road right-of-way. The impact of the project will be improved customer satisfaction and safe, reliable service delivery of potable water to customers.

The temporary impact of construction activities will be minimized through mitigation measures specified in the contract documents. Adverse impacts on historical, archaeological, geographic, or cultural areas are not expected. This project is necessary to ensure that DWSD will consistently and reliably provide high quality potable water to Detroit residents.

The Project Plan describes water mains in critical need of replacement or rehabilitation. The total cost of this project is currently estimated at approximately \$12.5 million for Project A and \$13.5 million for Project B; a total of \$26 million which is being sought through the DWSRF program. The Water Main Replacement/Rehabilitation inclusive of Lead water service line replacement work is eligible for participating under the State of Michigan low interest DWSRF loan program.

The Public Meeting will present a description of the recommended projects, estimated costs, noting no potential impact for customers. The current rate structure and lease agreement payments will cover the cost. The purpose of the meeting is not only to inform, but to seek and gather input from people that will be affected. Comments and viewpoints from the public are encouraged.

### THE PROJECT PRESENTATION AND PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE DURING THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS MEETING ON:

**DATE:** Wednesday, April 19, 2023

**PLACE:** Detroit Water and Sewerage Department  
Water Board Building  
735 Randolph, 5th Floor, Board Room  
Detroit, Michigan 48226

**TIME:** 2:00 p.m.

**VIRTUAL OPTION:** Via Zoom at  
<https://cityofdetroit.zoom.us/j/81572635118>  
Use Passcode: 482262021

Attend by phone: call one of these numbers:  
+1-301-715-8592  
+1-312-626-6799  
+1-267-831-0333  
Use Meeting ID: 815 7263 5118  
Use Passcode: 482262021

**Information on the Project Plan will be available for review after  
April 1, 2023 at the following locations:**

1. City Website: [detroitmi.gov/dwsd](http://detroitmi.gov/dwsd)
2. By email request to Sonali Patel: [sonali.patel@detroitmi.gov](mailto:sonali.patel@detroitmi.gov)
3. In Person at the Water Board Building

**If you have questions or want to submit written statements  
for the Public Hearing Record, call or write:**

**Call:** Sonali Patel at 313-782-2477

**Email:** Sonali Patel at  
[sonali.patel@detroitmi.gov](mailto:sonali.patel@detroitmi.gov)

**Mail:** Sonali Patel  
Detroit Water and Sewerage Department  
735 Randolph, Suite 901  
Detroit, MI 48226

Written comments will be accepted at the above address if received prior to 2:00 p.m. EST,  
Wednesday, April 19, 2023.

**Participating in Public Comment during the Public Hearing**

You may provide your public comment in-person or via Zoom (see below).

**In-person attendees**

- Upon entering the Water Board Building, DWSD Security will do temperature checks and require everyone to complete a Visitor COVID-19 Questionnaire.
- If you want to make public comment, complete the form available in the Board Room and it will be provided to the Chair. The Chair will call on you during the appropriate time.
  - We respectfully request that you maximize your three minutes by sharing all your comments/questions at one time.
  - You will only be called upon once for public comment.
  - Once the chair closes public comment, there will be no other comments from the public accepted and all public attendees will not be acknowledged during the remainder of the meeting.

**Attending via Zoom**

- During the public comment section, raise your hand using the Zoom hand icon on your desktop or mobile device, or if calling into the meeting by phone, press \*9 to raise your hand (press \*6 to unmute when called upon).
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- You will only be called upon once for public comment.
- Once the chair closes public comment, there will be no other comments from the public accepted and all attendees will remain muted for the duration of the meeting.

**City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department  
Gary Brown, Director**