

MEMO

To: Members of City Council

From: Daniel O'Rourke, Chief of Water Division



Date: January 5, 2016

Re: PCO-8-14-Sub A

Pursuant to PCO-8-14-Sub A, the Water Division is pleased to present the following quarterly report of items referenced in the resolution. They are as follows:

- A. The Water Division replaced/removed nearly two dozen lead services in the Pawtuxet area in conjunction with National Grid and DPW paving of roads.
- B. The relocation of the 16" water main by the Rhode Island Airport Corporation has been completed under the supervision and inspection of Water Department employees. The discontinuance of the existing water main will be completed weather permitting.
- C. The Water Division is presently reviewing proposed plans for the final phase of the Governor Francis sewer project, bridge repairs for the Airport connector, and Bald Hill Road (Rte 2) bridge repairs.
- D. The Water Division has and will continue to increase valve maintenance and leak detection in the winter months with the goal of decreasing the unaccounted percentage of water.

- E. New software programs have been developed to track the status of hydrants, valves, and leak detection activity. This will allow our employees to extract relevant information in order to organize and plan future projects.
- F. New NEPTUNE meter reading equipment purchased last quarter is in service and is being utilized by our meter reading staff.
- G. Water Division staff is currently reviewing the existing infrastructure with the intent of reprioritizing some areas needing to be upgraded and/or replaced in future projects. This will be necessary as part of any future rate increases to support possible revenue bonds.

If you have any questions, please contact me at extension 6604.

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