



County of Los Alamos

Council Meeting Staff Report

July 21, 2021

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| Agenda No.: | 4.G.2. |
| Indexes (Council Goals): | DPU FY26 - 6.0 Develop and Strengthen Partnerships |
| Presenters: | Cornell Wright |
| Legislative File: | 14278-21 |

Title

Planning for Upcoming Board of Public Utilities Annual Boards & Commissions Presentation to Council on September 21, 2021.

Recommended Action

None

Staff Recommendation

None

Body

On September 21, 2021, the Chair of the Board of Public Utilities is scheduled to give the annual Boards & Commissions presentation to Council. The agenda will be a presentation of 2021 DPU / BPU initiatives and actions. In preparation for the upcoming presentation, the Board should discuss possible topics. A draft presentation will be prepared and presented at August's BPU meeting, prior to the presentation to Council.

The following DPU and BPU actions are suggested for inclusion: Review of FY 2022 Strategic Goals and Objectives

2021 Focus Areas

- * White Rock Water Resource Recovery Plant Design (Construction in FY 2022- to FY 2023)
- * Advanced Metering Infrastructure and Software implementation - FY 2021 to FY 2022
- * Carbon Free Power Project (pending actions in the near future)
- * Refinance existing loans to 1% interest rates with similar repayment terms
- * Energy Imbalance Market - addition of a power analyst FTE
- * Otowi Well #2 Pump House and Otowi Well #4 MCC Replacement (Construction in FY 2022)
- * Pursued a grant to stabilize LA Reservoir Road

2022 Focus Areas

- * Integrate Resource Plan Update
- * Los Alamos Wastewater storage and filtration projects to expand reclaimed water usage.
- * Renew the profit transfer ordinance to support continued renewal and replacement of necessary infrastructure.
- * There are significant cost pressures with bids and a need to refinance loans to cover these cost increases for water and sewer projects (It is anticipated to refinance the White Rock Water Resource Recovery Plant, but this needs to occur upon completion of the construction of the plant.)
- * A review of water and electric rates are necessary.

Alternatives

None

Fiscal and Staff Impact

None

Attachments

