

Consent Item 10:**Resolution Accepting Lead and Copper Rule Revision Inventory Funding****Background:**

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) of 2021 and North Carolina General Statute (NCGS) 159G have authorized the making of loans to aid eligible, drinking-water system owners in financing the cost of inventorying and replacing lead service lines. OWASA pursued this funding to support the cost of our internal efforts to inventory service line materials throughout the service area as well as the cost of consultant assistance with the inventory and machine learning in compliance with Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) and the proposed Lead and Copper Rule Improvements (LCRI).

The North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality has offered OWASA a Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Lead Service Line Replacement loan in the amount of \$1,000,000. The loan offer must be accepted by the governing body via resolution.

OWASA intends to conduct said project in accordance with a scope of work that was approved by the North Carolina Division of Water Infrastructure.

Action Needed:

Adoption of the Resolution Accepting Lead and Copper Rule Revision Funding.

September 12, 2024

Resolution Accepting Lead and Copper Rule Revision Funding

Whereas, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) of 2021 and North Carolina General Statute (NCGS) 159G have authorized the making of loans to aid eligible, drinking-water system owners in financing the cost of inventorying and replacing lead service lines; and

Whereas, the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality has offered a Drinking Water State Revolving Fund- Lead Service Line Replacement (DWSRF-LSLR) loan in the amount of \$1,000,000 to conduct a service line inventory, hereafter referred to as the "Project"; and

Whereas, the Orange Water and Sewer Authority intends to conduct said project in accordance with a scope of work that was approved by the North Carolina Division of Water Infrastructure:

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, By the Board of Directors of Orange Water and Sewer Authority:

1. That Orange Water and Sewer Authority does hereby accept the DWSRF-LSLR loan offer in the amount of \$1,000,000.
2. That Orange Water and Sewer Authority does hereby give assurances to the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality that they will adhere to all applicable items specified in the standard "Conditions" and "Assurances" of the Department's funding offer, awarded in the form of a 0% interest loan.
3. That Orange Water and Sewer Authority, and successors so titled, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish such information, as the appropriate State agency may request, in connection with such application to the Project; to make the Assurances as contained above; and to execute such other documents as may be required in connection with the application.
4. That Orange Water and Sewer Authority has complied substantially or will comply substantially with all Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the Project, and to Federal and State grants and loans pertaining thereto.

Adopted this the September 12, 2024.

Melody Kramer, Chair

ATTEST:

Pedro Garcia, Secretary

FORM FOR CERTIFICATION BY THE RECORDING OFFICER

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Clerk to the Board of Orange Water and Sewer Authority does hereby certify: That the above/attached resolution is a true and correct copy of the resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the State of North Carolina, as regularly adopted at a legally convened meeting of Orange Water and Sewer Authority Board of Directors Meeting duly held on the 12th day of September 2024; and, further, that such resolution has been fully recorded in the journal of proceedings and records in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 12th day of September 2024.

Andrea Orbich, CMC, NCCMC
Clerk to the Board