



Public Lighting Department

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The mission of the Public Lighting Department is to provide reliable, economic and efficient street light and electric energy services to residents, businesses and tourists in an effort to improve quality of life for those that live, work and visit the City of Detroit.



FY2013 Adopted Budget

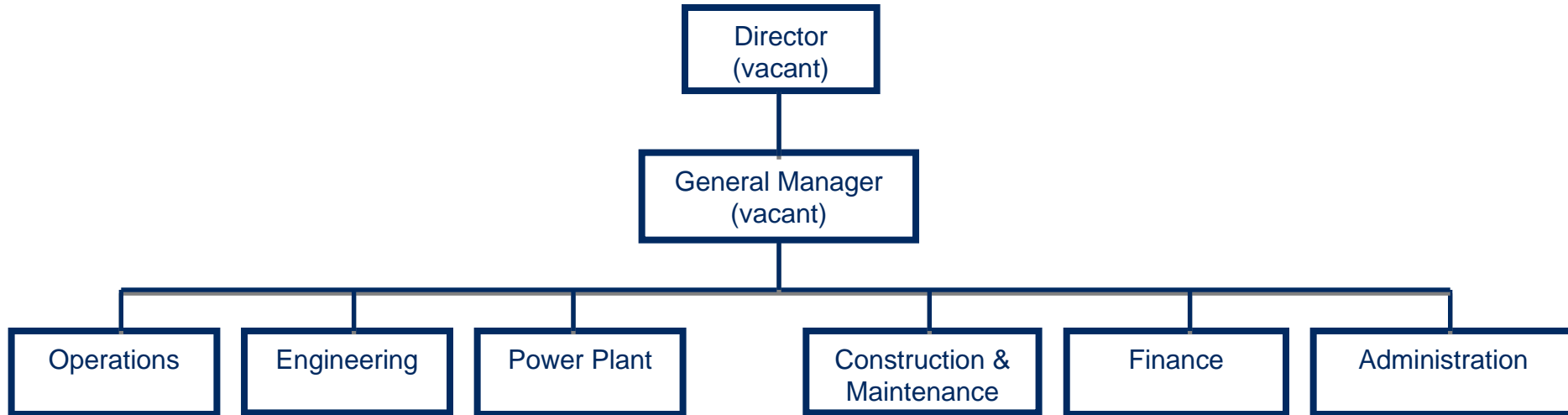
	General Fund	General Grant	TOTAL
Expenditures	\$56,655,938	\$628,000	\$57,283,938
Revenues	47,217,141	628,000	47,845,141
Net Tax Cost	\$ 9,438,797	\$ 0	\$ 9,438,797
Positions	129	0	129



Positions

Adopted: 129

Actual: 101



The Administration expects to name a permanent director within the next month, as well as have final word on the status of pending legislation.



Major Services

Residential Street Lighting:

Operation and maintenance of residential street lights. Focus is on bulb replacement and responding to reported outages as well as maintaining circuit lights.

Main street and special area lighting:

Mainly consists of addressing infrastructure issues on major thoroughfares that are causing outages (series circuit).

Steam and Electric power production for customers:

Includes purchase of bulk electricity as well as limited steam generation at Herman Kiefer.



Residential Street Lighting

Maintain, operate and power City's street light system.



Main street & special lighting area

The City will use \$1.2M in bond proceeds sold in FY2011 that can be used to improve antiquated street light infrastructure. The City will invest this amount in transformer coils to fix series lights if Authority legislation fails.



Steam & electric power production for customers

Budget consists of approximately \$33M for purchase of electricity and \$4M used for maintaining Mistersky operations and limited steam generation for Herman Kiefer.



What PLD has done: FY2012 accomplishments

- Developed strategy and plan to transfer street light operations to Authority that has the ability to raise \$160M in bond proceeds to overhaul system
- Repaired 6,500 residential lights

Long-term lighting plans are based on several assumptions

- 1 All currently working lights in the neighborhoods will stay on
- 2 Entire backlog of 3,300 reported outages will be fixed in first six months of Authority
- 3 New call center will dispatch crews to fix outages within one week of reporting
- 4 20,000 alleyway lights will be removed

HB 5688 and HB 5705 enable the creation of municipal lighting Authorities and funding for streetlight upgrades in Detroit

Legislation to create a Public Lighting Authority

- Legislation will establish legal basis state-wide for communities to establish lighting Authorities

Legislation to use Utility Users' Tax

- \$12M per year allocated to pay bonds associated with Authority
- Police budget will NOT be affected
- Resident non-filer income tax will backfill proceeds used from utility tax

Incremental Revenue Support

Legislation to suspend income tax rollback and to require suburban employers to withhold income tax on Detroit residents

- Proceeds pledged to Police to backstop Utility Tax
- Elimination of rollback provision in City's income tax

Long term legislation change opportunity

- Basis for a piggyback system
- Mechanism to use income tax revenue as credit support



What PLD is doing: FY2013 Projects/Goals

- Restored power to major portions of Lafayette St. and West Outer Drive
- Fix backlog of 3,000 reported outages and increase capacity to enable department to fix 10K bulb outages per month
- Replace 5,000 new residential light bulbs and fix 1,000 series outages at an approximate cost of \$10M (if legislation passes)
- Ensure bulbs are replaced on 3,000 lamps that have been reported out and Invest \$1M in components to fix series circuit outages (if legislation fails)
- Get involved with efforts to adjust electricity rates



What PLD is planning to do: FY2014 Plans/Projects

- Complete Phase II overhaul of lighting system (if legislation passes) \$20M>
- Build capacity of department and fix additional 2,000 series outages



Thank you.

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