

City of Providence

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

CHAPTER 2011-73

No. 555

AN ORDINANCE

making an Appropriation of Eight Hundred Forty Six Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Six Dollars (\$846,536) for the Water Supply Board Scituate Watershed Protection Fund for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2012.

Approved November 22, 2011

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

Section 1. WATER SUPPLY SCITUATE WATERSHED PROTECTION FUND BUDGET 2011-2012

REVENUES:

|                                   |           |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Carryover from prior year         | 846,536   |
| TOTAL REVENUE & OTHER FIN SOURCES | \$846,536 |

EXPENSES:

|                                 |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Land Acquisition/Other Services | 200,600   |
| TOTAL EXPENSES                  | \$200,600 |

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) | \$645,936 |
|-------------------|-----------|

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect retroactive to July 1, 2011.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
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 READ AND PASSED

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 PRESIDENT

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 ACTING CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE

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 Mayor

Date: 11/22/11

**Providence Water Supply Board  
FY 2010 vs. FY 2012  
Changes to Classification and Compensation Ordinances**

**Classification Ordinance:**

|        |   |  |
|--------|---|--|
| Add    | 1 | Assistant Dispatcher                     |
| Add    | 1 | Engineering Aide III                     |
| Add    | 2 | Engineering Project Coordinator          |
| Add    | 1 | Manager – Engineering Customer Service   |
| Add    | 2 | Senior Equipment Mechanic                |
| Add    | 1 | Systems Analyst                          |
| Delete | 1 | Account Collector                        |
| Delete | 1 | Aide to Chief Engineer                   |
| Delete | 1 | Associate Engineer III                   |
| Delete | 1 | Associate Engineer IV                    |
| Delete | 1 | Clerk I                                  |
| Delete | 2 | Confidential Assistant to Chief Engineer |
| Delete | 1 | Land Management Specialist               |
| Delete | 1 | Manager – Accounting                     |
| Delete | 1 | Manager – Personnel                      |
| Delete | 1 | Manager of Regulatory                    |
| Delete | 1 | Manager – Training and Communications    |
| Delete | 1 | Material Handler                         |
| Delete | 1 | Senior Manager of Information Systems    |
| Delete | 0 | Supervisor of Security and Enforcement   |
| Delete | 1 | Utility Worker                           |
| Delete | 1 | Utility Maintenance Worker               |
| Delete | 1 | Water Plant Operator I                   |
| Delete | 4 | Watershed Inspector                      |

**Compensation Ordinance:**

|        |   |
|--------|---|
| Add    | Assistant Dispatcher \$19.69/hr                   |
| Change | Deputy Director of T&D from M26 to M22            |
| Change | Director of Special Projects from M27 to M25      |
| Change | Manager of Planning & Development from M17 to M18 |
| Adjust | Utility Worker in Training to \$16.872/hr         |
| Adjust | Scheduler/Dispatcher to \$22.68                   |

## Highlights of Providence Water's Budget for Fiscal Year 2011-2012

### Overall

- Operating and Restricted budgets are balanced.
- Revenues are based on rates approved by the PUC.
- Providence Water residential rates are still among the lowest in the State.
- Enterprise Fund with no impact on City Finances.

### Revenues

- FY 2012 revenues are set based on rates approved by the PUC. No rate increase is needed. Revenues are projected to increase approximately \$1.9 million or 3% over FY 2011.
- Miscellaneous revenues are based on 3 year average.

### Restricted Transfers

- Restricted funds have been established by the PUC, the tax agreement or legislature and are based on amounts approved in Docket 4061.
- Restricted funds increased \$.2 million or less than 1% over FY 2011.

### Expenses

- Salary expense includes funding for 263 positions. Also, a 1% contractual decrease was deducted from the salaries line item as a result of the amended union contract.
- Fringe Benefits are projected to increase approximately \$460,000 or 7% over FY 2011. Fringe Benefits are based on actual rates for fiscal year 2011 with an estimated increase of 11% for health insurance and a small increase in union trust benefits.
- Retirement Contribution is based on the actuarial amount provided from the Buck report. This amount actually decreased \$33,499 from FY 2011.
- Services are expected to increase \$.8 million or 13% this was the result of increases in heat, electricity, repairs to streets as well as private contractor fees.
- Materials increased \$.15 million or 9%. This was a result of increases in hydrant parts, gate valves and motor fuel.
- Property taxes are based on FY 2011 actual bills with an estimated statutory limit of 4.5%. The exceptions are the Towns of Scituate and Glocester, which are based on the the tax treaty with each Town. Because of these treaties, is treaty total Property Tax expense is projected to decrease \$91,720 from FY 2011.

### Personnel

- There is no change in the number of maximum positions of 265 for FY2012.

| PROVIDENCE WATER SUPPLY BOARD                   |  |                    |                        |                     |                        |              |
|---|--|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Operating Budget Prior Fiscal Years vs. FY 2012 |  |                    |                        |                     |                        |              |
| REVENUE   |  | FY 2010            | FY 2011                | Net                 | FY 2012                |              |
|   |  | Budget             | Budget                 | Change              | Proposed               | % CHANGE     |
| <b>Water Revenue:</b>                           |  |                    |                        |                     |                        |              |
| Service Charge                                  |  | 717,438.2          | \$ 7,965,764           | \$ -                | \$ 7,965,764           | 0.00%        |
| Hydrants  |  | \$ 1,853,920       | 2,063,805              | 0                   | 2,063,805              | 0.00%        |
| Wholesale consumption                           |  | 16,402,040         | 15,805,703             | 0                   | 15,805,703             | 0.00%        |
| Retail consumption                              |  | 33,343,957         | 32,640,443             | 0                   | 32,640,443             | 0.00%        |
| Consumption adjustment                          |  | 0                  | 0                      | 1,427,421           | 1,427,421              |              |
| <b>Total Water Revenue</b>                      |  | <b>58,774,299</b>  | <b>58,475,715</b>      | <b>1,427,421</b>    | <b>59,903,136</b>      | <b>2.44%</b> |
| <b>Miscellaneous:</b>                           |  |                    |                        |                     |                        |              |
| Misc Revenue                                    |  | 672,530            | 896,450                | 5,887               | 902,337                | 0.66%        |
| Misc State Revenue                              |  | 220,748            | 190,531                | 16,208              | 206,739                | 8.51%        |
| <b>Total Operating Revenues</b>                 |  | <b>59,667,577</b>  | <b>59,562,695</b>      | <b>1,449,517</b>    | <b>61,012,212</b>      | <b>2.43%</b> |
| Interest on Delinquent Accts                    |  | 406,953            | 412,587                | 25,642              | 438,229                | 6.22%        |
| Mains & Services                                |  | 631,018            | 468,101                | 155,099             | 623,200                | 33.13%       |
| Water Quality Protection Fund                   |  | 2,512,893          | 2,106,313              | 182,666             | 2,288,979              | 8.67%        |
| State Surcharge \$.0133                         |  | 1,823,573          | 1,573,947              | 133,896             | 1,707,843              | 8.51%        |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>                            |  | <b>65,042,013</b>  | <b>\$ 64,123,643</b>   | <b>\$ 1,946,820</b> | <b>\$ 66,070,463</b>   | <b>3.04%</b> |
| Transfer from IFR (Labor Reimb.)                |  | 980,128            | 998,154                | -110,000            | 888,154                | -11.02%      |
| Transfer from IFR (Material Reimb.)             |  | 106,447            | 109,640                | -50,000             | 59,640                 | -45.60%      |
| Transfer from Property Tax Refund               |  | 375,000            | 0                      | 0                   | 0                      | 0.00%        |
| Transfer from Revenue Reserve                   |  |                    | 1,113,852              | 0                   | 1,113,852              | 0.00%        |
| Transfer to Capital                             |  | -2,450,000         | -2,450,000             | 0                   | -2,450,000             | 0.00%        |
| Transfer to Infrastructure Replacement          |  | -14,950,000        | -16,000,000            | 0                   | -16,000,000            | 0.00%        |
| Deferred IFR Transfer                           |  | 0                  | -1,113,852             | 278,463             | -835,389               |              |
| Transfer to Equipment                           |  | -600,000           | -600,000               | 0                   | -600,000               | 0.00%        |
| Transfer to Insurance                           |  | -2,555,903         | -1,777,062             | 0                   | -1,777,062             | 0.00%        |
| Transfer to AMR/Meter Replacement               |  | -1,000,000         | -1,000,000             | 0                   | -1,000,000             | 0.00%        |
| Transfer to Chemical/Sludge Fund                |  | -3,003,599         | -2,458,942             | 0                   | -2,458,942             | 0.00%        |
| Transfer to Western Cranston                    |  | -62,069            | -62,069                | 0                   | -62,069                | 0.00%        |
| Transfer to Revenue Reserve                     |  | -1,418,792         | -1,113,852             | 0                   | -1,113,852             | 0.00%        |
| Transfer to Water Quality Protection            |  | -2,512,893         | -2,106,313             | -182,666            | -2,288,979             | 8.67%        |
| Transfer to State Resources Board               |  | -1,823,573         | -1,573,947             | -133,896            | -1,707,843             | 8.51%        |
| <b>Total Transfers</b>                          |  | <b>-28,915,254</b> | <b>\$ (28,034,391)</b> | <b>\$ (198,099)</b> | <b>\$ (28,232,490)</b> | <b>0.71%</b> |
| <b>OPERATING EXPENSES:</b>                      |  |                    |                        |                     |                        |              |
| Salaries  |  | 13,376,174         | 13,256,454             | 494,883             | 13,751,337             | 3.73%        |
| Fringe benefits                                 |  | 5,642,468          | 5,925,870              | 463,256             | 6,389,126              | 7.82%        |
| City Retirement                                 |  | 2,788,304          | 2,589,285              | -33,499             | 2,555,786              | -1.29%       |
| Services  |  | 6,415,064          | 6,371,464              | 821,207             | 7,192,671              | 12.89%       |
| Materials                                       |  | 1,468,467          | 1,614,764              | 150,500             | 1,765,264              | 9.32%        |
| Special Items                                   |  | 30,000             | 21,000                 | 0                   | 21,000                 | 0.00%        |
| Equipment                                       |  | 1,000              | 3,000                  | 47,100              | 50,100                 | 1570.00%     |
| Property Taxes                                  |  | 6,387,772          | 6,183,241              | -91,720             | 6,091,521              | -1.48%       |
| Other Unemployment                              |  | 16,489             | 16,489                 | 3,511               | 20,000                 | 21.29%       |
| <b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>                 |  | <b>36,125,739</b>  | <b>\$ 36,086,568</b>   | <b>\$ 1,855,237</b> | <b>\$ 37,836,805</b>   | <b>5.14%</b> |
| <b>REVENUE BILLED - EXPENSES</b>                |  | <b>1,021</b>       | <b>\$ 2,684</b>        |                     | <b>\$ 1,168</b>        |              |