# THE CONSENT DECREE: NEXT STEPS

Council Work Session April 30, 2019





## Agenda

- Overview of Consent Decree Efforts to Date
- Impact of Efforts to Date
- Rate Impact of Current Construction Schedule Projections for FY20 and FY21
- Projected Residential Sewer Rates Benchmarked With Other Cities



## **Expenditures**

- Capital Expenses:
- Studies/Plans/Management

\$253,465,260

\$34,847,679

Total to Date:

\$288,312,939



## **State Funding Sources to Date**

- Vigorous pursuit of grants and low interest loans (1.75%) financed through the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority(KIA) (sanitary projects only)
  - Consent Decree grant funded total:
  - Consent Decree loan funded total:
  - Total to date:

\$6,546,000 <u>\$144,210,509</u> \$150,756,509



#### **Impact on our Streams**

 Since 2007, over 54 million gallons of annual, untreated sewer overflow volume has been eliminated from Fayette County streams.





## **Efficiencies**

- 2011 Presentation to the Committee of the Whole projected a minimum 5% annual increase to the sewer user fee
- Sound project management and value engineering efforts have:
  - Cut costs by about \$95 million to date
  - Avoided the annual increases projected in 2011 moving forward
    Only two years with increases other than CPI
- The time is now to adjust sewer rates to fund the next phase of required improvements

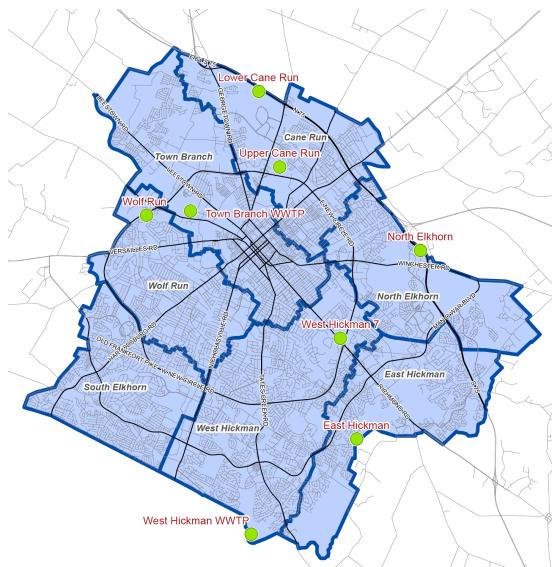


## FY20 – FY22 Capital Expense Projections

- Prior to FY20 storage tanks were cost driver:
  - 7% of the total Remedial Measures Plan (RMP) projects
  - 56% of the plan's projected capital cost
- By the end of 2019, six of the ten storage tanks should be in service
- Pipelines are primary focus for next three fiscal years
- Projected three year capital expenses
  - FY20 \$118.1 million
  - FY21 \$84.2 million
  - FY22 \$69.1 million
  - Total \$271.4



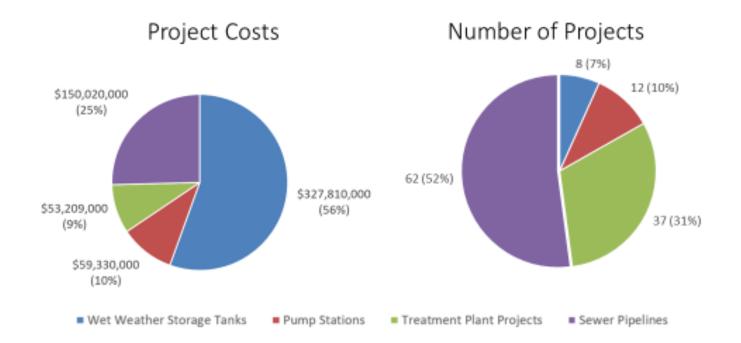
### **Planned Tanks Locations**





### **Remedial Measures Plan Projects Breakdown**

#### **RMP** Projects Breakdown



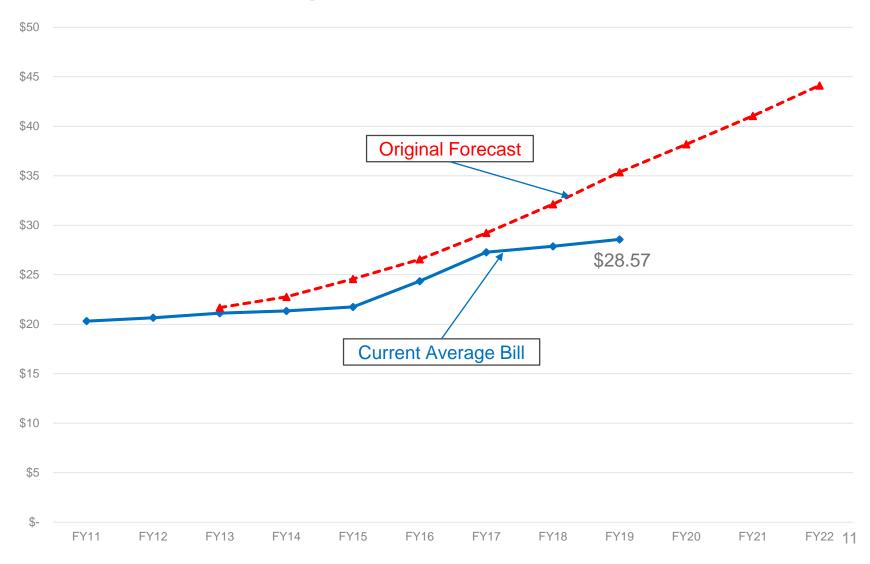


#### **Impact on Rates of Current Construction Schedule**

	<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Fiscal Year</b>
	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	2022
	Jul-18	Jul-19	Jul-20	Jul-21
Rate Increase	2%	5%	5%	5%*
Avg. Residential Monthly Bill	\$28.57	\$30.00	\$31.50	\$33.07
Funding Sources				
Capital Fund Balance	\$84,405,581	\$15,974,012	\$9,007,741	\$7,252,192
Cash	\$17,354,671	\$10,955,471	\$11,731,362	\$12,208,784
KIA Loan Proceeds	\$12,622,577	\$8,382,851		
Revenue Bond Issue		\$55,000,000	<u>\$35,000,000</u>	\$40,000,000
Total Funding	\$114,382,829	\$90,312,334	\$55,739,103	\$59,460,976
Capital Needs				
Bondable Projects	\$73,694,423	\$81,304,592	\$48,486,912	\$39,265,250
KIA Projects	\$24,714,395			<u> </u>
Total Needs	\$98,408,818	\$81,304,592	\$48,486,912	\$39,265,250
Capital Balance	\$15,974,012	\$9,007,741	\$7,252,192	\$20,195,726
*Currently projected				

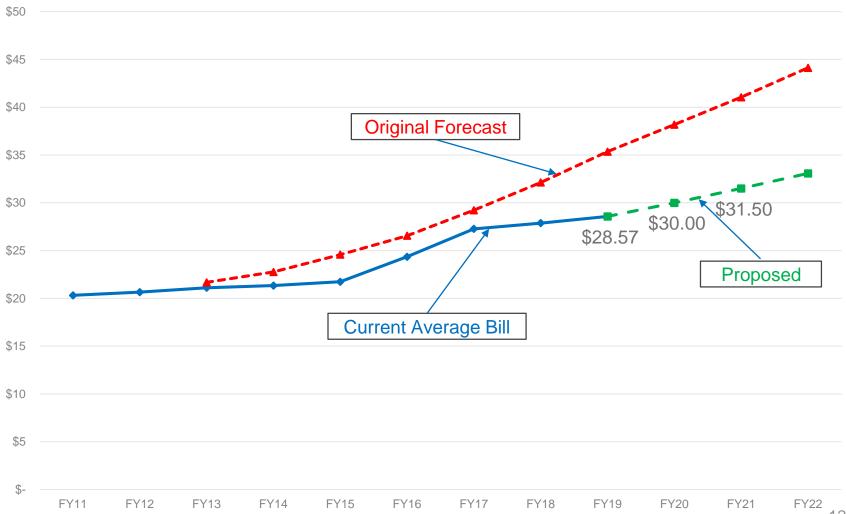


#### **Impact on Average Residential Bill**





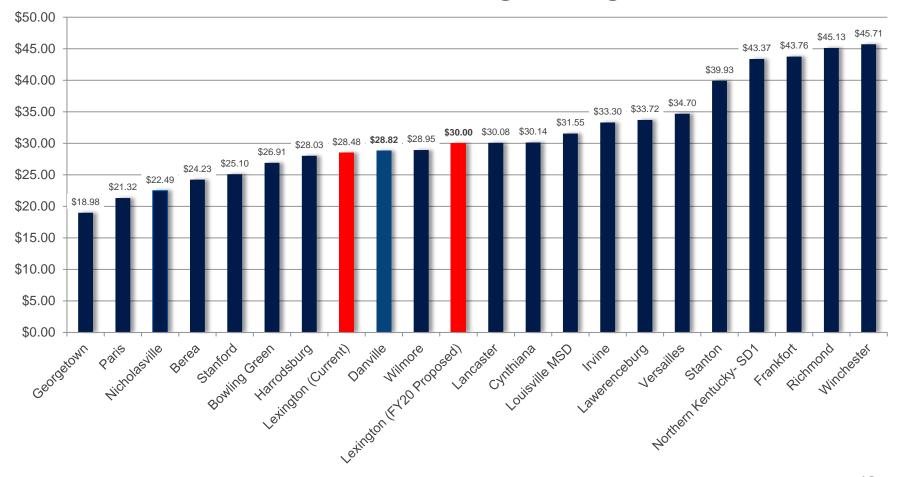
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## **Rates in Nearby Cities**

#### 4,000 Gallon Sewer Usage: Average Bill





## **Action Items**

- Sanitary Sewer Rate increases needed to fund Consent Decree requirements and finance debt service:
  - 5% increase on July 1, 2019
  - 5% increase on July 1, 2020
  - These rates include the CPI increase
- Second Reading by May 28<sup>th</sup>

## **Questions?**

