

GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

AGENDA DATE: May 11, 2022

AGENDA ITEM: Consider a motion to declare a Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP)

Operator vacancy exists and authorize the internal posting and external

advertising, if needed, for the position.

PREPARED BY: Julie Kennedy, General Manager

BACKGROUND:

On April 22, 2022, Jim Thelen, Wastewater Operator, submitted his retirement notification effective July 20, 2022. Jim has served GRPU as a Wastewater Operator since August 2018. We wish Jim well in his upcoming retirement.

Though we are currently working toward changing the hours of operation at the WWTP, that transition will not take place for 9 to 12 months and we will not be in a situation by July 20 to not replace Jim. I am recommending the Commission declare a vacancy exists, and authorize the internal posting and external advertising, if needed, for the position.

RECOMMENDATION:

Consider a motion to declare a Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Operator vacancy exists and authorize the internal posting and external advertising, if needed, for the position.