

TO: Public Works Committee  
FROM: Dan Smith, Water Resources & Sustainability Director  
DATE: February 22, 2024  
SUBJECT: Barnes Lake Management District (BLMD) 2024 Budget and Work Plan Review

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1) Recommended Action:

None. These items are presented for information only, as the budget has already been adopted by City Council. A new contract for professional services will be presented in the coming months.

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2) Background:

The BLMD was formed in 2004 to support the annual administration and management of lake and environmental enhancement efforts for the district. In 2022, the LMD and City Council acted to increase funding of lake management efforts, increasing assessments five percent annually, primarily due to rising labor and treatment costs to meet BLMD goals.

Leading advocate and former Chair of BLMD Steering Committee, Gary Bodeutsch, was honored by the National Lakes Management Association as "Volunteer of the Year," as he retired from the helm.

Staff will provide the annual status update for the BLMD, review the 2024 work plan and budget, and outline the process to solicit bids for a new service provider.

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3) Policy Support:

- Ordinance O2004-041, Lake Management District Formation
  - Be a Leader in Environmental Sustainability
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4) Alternatives:

- ☐ Provide additional guidance to BLMD improve administration, lake management, and/or environmental protections.
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5) Fiscal Notes:

The adopted budget provides expenditure authority, representing \$60,000 for professional services over the biennium. As a Special Revenue Fund, all revenues are directed for use solely by BLMD in support of management efforts. The 2024 fund balance is \$48,215.62.

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6) Attachments:

- A. 2023-2024 Budget Update
- B. 2024 Proposed BLMD Work Plan