#### Citizens Rates and Governance Advisory Committee

## **KVID Committee Update**

Monday February 25, 2019

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## Governance Transition - Progress

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- Since our last meeting we have:
  - Met with the Board of Supervisors
    - Work session to provide a progress update and receive feedback
    - Received direction and support for continuing to pursue a July 1 transition date
  - NAPEBT Engagement (Health Benefits)
    - Received confirmation that KVID can continue with NAPEBT benefits
    - Confirmation that KVID's cost structure will remain the same as other entities participating in NAPEBT
    - Included in their monthly stakeholder meetings
    - · Working on details to finalize KVID's new membership

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- Since our last meeting we have (cont):
  - ASRS Engagement (Retirement)
    - Received confirmation that KVID staff will be eligible to participate in ASRS
    - Confirmation the KVID will not incur additional costs compared to other participants in ASRS
    - Working on the process to enroll KVID with ASRS
  - New Accounting Methods
    - Determined state and local reporting standards for DWIDs
    - Building a new chart of accounts for KVID
    - Setting up the financial system for KVID



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- Since our last meeting we have (cont):
  - Working with Other County Department
    - Human Resources
      - Willing to provide HR and payroll services to KVID for at least the first year
      - Services can be provided at the normal interdepartmental rates
      - Working towards a draft IGA for these services
    - Treasurer
      - Banking services provided by the Treasurer (by statute, IGA is unnecessary)
      - Provides services to districts County wide (fire, school, water, etc.)
      - Has expertise regarding districts that will be available to KVID both before and after the transition
      - These services are provided at no cost to KVID



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#### Pending Items

- Auditor Engagement
  - Using an auditing firm to review our financial set up and processes, making sure procedures support KVID's need for annual audits
- Coconino County Finance Department
  - Work with Finance to duplicate services they are currently providing
  - Finance has indicated their support, but we are still implementing
- Elections
  - Meet with County elections officials, understand KVID's election process, responsibilities, and costs



- During our rate analysis process we developed a financial plan that would support the utility's operations, infrastructure, qualified staff, and also facilitate the transition of KVID from County stewardship to governance by a local Board of Directors
- We planned for an additional \$155,000 of expenses annually to facilitate the transition
- Additionally, KVID will not incur County indirect costs, freeing up approximately \$70,000 annually (based on FY15-FY17 data)

- Planned Increases
  - KVID expects to pay more for the following services after the transition:
    - Management Services
      - KVID compensates the County for the management support provided by the Public Works Department (About \$10,000 annually)
      - This service will be replicated by adding an Assistant Utility Director (at a cost of about \$98,000 in salaries and benefits annually)
    - Financial Services
      - KVID currently pays the County about \$15,000 for financial services
      - We are upgrading our Business Manger position and half of our Account Tech II position to be needed to provide financial services to KVID in house (an additional cost of about \$50,000 annually in salaries and benefits)

- Cost Neutral Items
  - KVID expects the costs of the following services to remain unchanged:
    - NAPEBT KVID will get the same rate as other NAPEBT members
    - ASRS KVID will get the same rate as other ASRS participants
    - Human Resource and Payroll Services KVID expects to receive these services at the normal interdepartmental rate (about \$12,000 annually)



- Cost Savings
  - KVID will pay less for the following services after the transition:
    - Treasurer Services (about \$3,000 annually, changing to zero)
    - County Board of Supervisors (about \$12,000 annually, changing to \$2,000)



- The Unknowns
  - Election Costs
    - Still finalizing these costs, anticipated \$5,000 annually for expenses
  - Attorney Costs
    - Vary based on KVID annual need for an attorney (between \$2,000 and \$26,000 annually)
    - In addition to the \$7,000 dollar annual average expense with the County, we have added \$7,000
  - Auditing and CPA Costs
    - Anticipated \$5,000 annually



#### **Transition Financial Summary**

| Additional Revenue |           |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Rates              | \$155,000 |
| County Savings     | \$70,000  |
|                    |           |
| Total              | \$225,000 |

| Expenses                    |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Assistant Utility Director  | \$98,000 |
| Internal Financial Support  | \$50,000 |
| Human Resources and Payroll | \$12,000 |
| Board of Directors          | \$2,000  |
| Elections                   | \$5,000  |
| Attorney                    | \$14,000 |
| Auditing and CPA cost       | \$5,000  |

| Total | \$186,000 |
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| Difference \$39,000 |
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## Governance Transition - Next Steps

- Governance Open House (March 11)
- Advisory Committee meeting and appreciation (April 8)
- Board of Supervisors work session governance update (April 16, morning)
- Board of Supervisors agenda item set public hearing and DWID decision date (April 16, evening)
- Notice sent to district landowners (April 23)
- Second Open House (May 1)
- Board of Supervisors public hearing DWID conversion, appointment of new Board of Directors (May 21)
- New Board of Directors assume their roles as the Water Board for KVID (July 1)

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- Financial Information
  - Tom Bourassa CPA
- Infrastructure Information
  - Civiltec representative
- Board of Supervisors Representation
  - Supervisor Ryan
- Governance Information and Transition Process
  - Steve Wene
- KVID Operations
  - Sam Mossman
  - Mike Lopker



## Governance Transition - Open House

- Informational hand out, history, process and FAQ
  - KVID History and County Stewardship
  - KVID's Progress and Preparation for the Transition
    - Infrastructure, Rates, and Governance
  - Frequently Asked Questions
- Committee Involvement
  - Additional items to include in the handout, or at the open house
  - Review/contribution to the informational hand out
  - Social media posting
  - Open house attendance



# Questions and Discussion