Capital Improvement Planning and Implementation in Practice

A CASE STUDY OF THE TOWN OF PLATTSBURGH







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AGENDA

- Introductions
- Common Challenges
- Constraints
- ➤ It CAN be Done!
- Town of Plattsburgh
 - > Capital Improvement Planning
 - Capital Improvement Financing
 - > Capital Improvement Communications
 - Capital Improvement Implementation









COMMON CHALLENGES





- Aging & Deteriorating Infrastructure
- Consent Orders
- Increased demands from economic development and population growth
- Expansion of service area

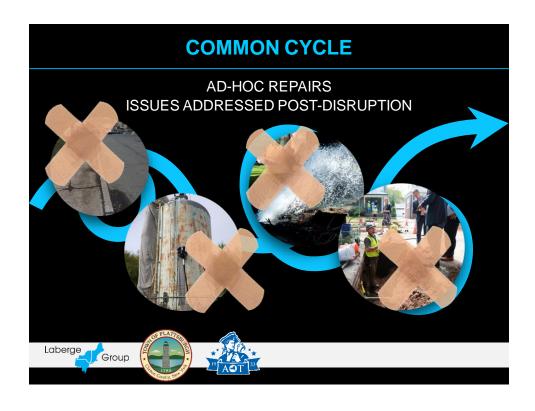
Of course the issue is not a LACK OF WILL to address these issues.

- · Financial Constraints
- Time and Team Bandwidth Constraints
 - Political Constraints











STRATEGIC SOLUTION

CAPITAL PLAN - THE ULTIMATE PROACTIVE SOLUTION

- ✓ Inventory Assets and their Condition
- ✓ Identify Problems / Prioritize Needs (STAKEHOLDERS!)
- Formulate a Path to Move Forward
- ✓ Document Costs (Both Implementation and O&M)
- ✓ Identify Debt
- Determine Funding Strategies
- ✓ Incorporate Public Input
- ✓ Develop Implementation Plan
- ✓ Establish Transparent Process
 (Open and PROACTIVE communications with Press and Public)

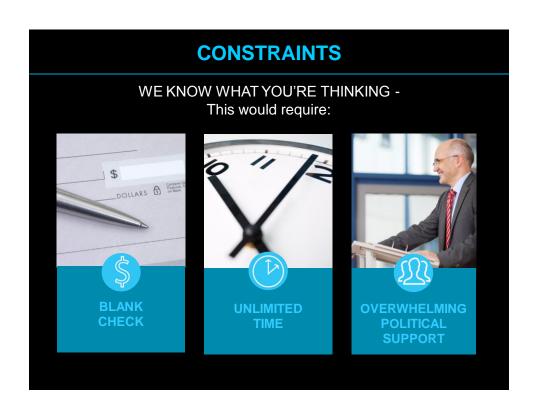


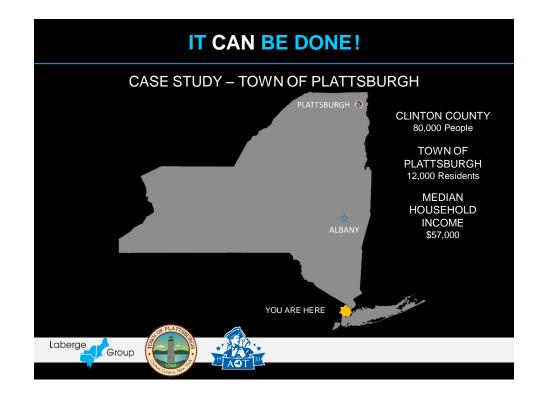
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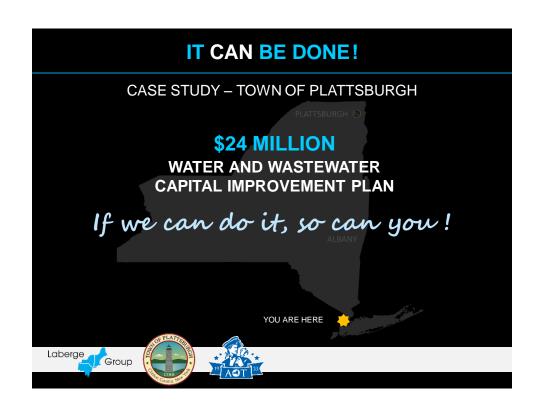
















PLATTSBURGH CAPITAL PLANNING

IDENTIFY PROBLEMS

WATER

\$17.8 MILLION

- Only 1 of 9 Storage Tanks in Good Condition
- Water Supply Capacity Becoming Inadequate
- Water Storage Approaching Capacity due to Growth
- Meters were Old and Under-Reading
- > Old Transite Watermains Require Replacement

WASTEWATER

\$6.2 MILLION

- > All Lift Stations were in Need of Repair
- Old Transite Sewers Required Lining







CAPITAL PLANNING

IDENTIFY PROJECTS

WATER

Consolidated Water District

- Existing Water Storage Facilities
- Salmon River Road
- Quarry Road

Base Water District

- District Storage
- Water Mains

Non-District Specific

- Source of Supply
 - Additional Supply Capacity
 - Bullis Road Pump Station

 - Well 2 Testing2,000,000 Gallon Storage Tank
- Metering
- Asset Management System

CAPITAL PLANNING

DETERMINE COSTS

WATER

Consolidated Water District

Existing Water Storage Facilities	\$6,232,843
Salmon River Road	\$750,000
Quarry Road	\$750,000

Base Water District

District Storage	\$1,500,000
Water Mains	\$2,750,000

Non-District Specific

Source of Supply

 Additional Supply Capacity 		\$2,000,000
 Bullis Road Pump Station 		\$750,000
 Well 2 Testing 		\$50,00
 2,000,000 Gallon Storage Tank 		\$1,750,000
Metering		\$1,200,000
Asset Management System		\$30,000
	TOTAL	\$17,762,843

CIP PLANNING

PRIORITIZE NEEDS

Cadyville Water Tank	2017	
Champlain Park Tank	2017	
Cumerbland Corners Tank	2017	
Hammond Lane Water Tower	2018	AGGRESSIV
Bullis Road Pump Station	2018	
2,000,000 Gallon Storage Tank	2018	SCHEDULE
Additional Supply Capacity	2018	
Metering	2018 - 2023	20 projects
Well 2 Testing	2019	over 3 years
Base Water Storage	2019	over o years
Asset Management System	2019	
Base Water Main Improvements	2019	
Kimberly 1 Tank	2019	
Kimberly 2 Tank	2019	
Salmon River Road	2019	
Quarry Road	2019	
Kimberly 3 Tank	2019	

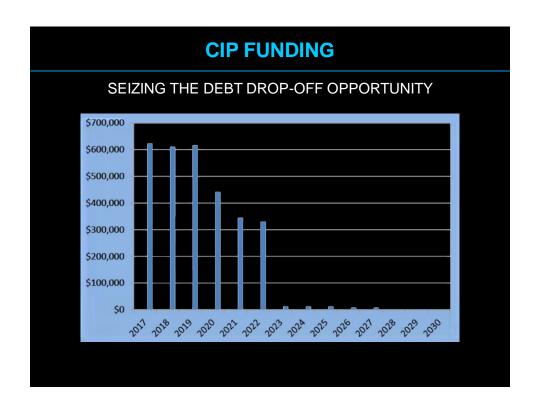
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING

PLANNING LEADS TO IMPLEMENTATION

> _	2000	Cadyville Water Tank	2017
> _	2001	Champlain Park Tank	2017
> _	2002	Cumerbland Corners Tank	2017
>	2003	Hammond Lane Water Tower	2018
> _	2004	Bullis Road Pump Station	2018
> _	2005	2,000,000 Gallon Storage Tank	2018
> _	2006	Additional Supply Capacity	2018
> _	2007	Metering	2018 - 2023
> _	2008	Well 2 Testing	2019
> _	2009	Base Water Storage	2019
> _	2010	Asset Management System	2019
> _	2011	Base Water Main Improvements	2019
> _	2012	Kimberly 1 Tank	2019
> _	2013	Kimberly 2 Tank	2019
> _	2014	Salmon River Road	2019
> _	2015	Quarry Road	2019
>	2016	Kimberly 3 Tank	2019



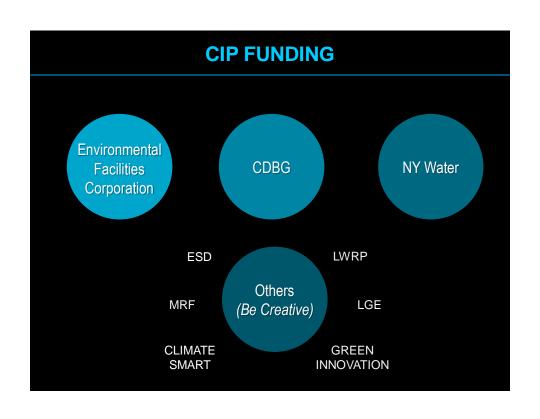


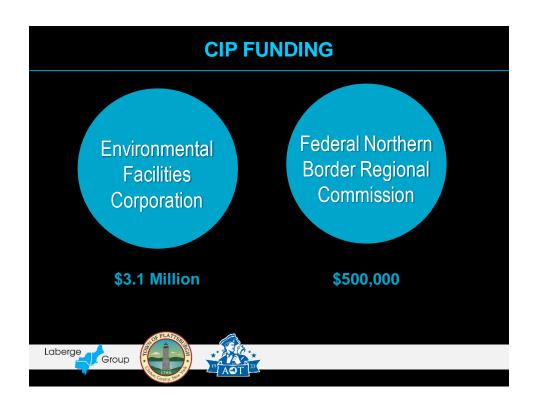


FUNDING STRATEGY

- Borrowing (BANs and Serial Bonds)
 - Strategic Debt
- Reserves
- Grants
- Impact on Rates
- Estimated Payment Schedule Using Worst-Case Financing
- Used Conservative Financial Model
 - 20 Year Financing
 - Assumed No Grants
- Due-Diligence Cost-Reduction
 - Operations & Maintenance Savings
 - Water Storage Contracts
 - Grant Applications







CIP TOOLBOX

LEADERSHIP

VISION

Obligation to not only meet the current needs, but also safeguard the future for the next generation

TEAM-BUILDING

Build a coalition of stakeholders who will not only support implementation, but will actively partner on it

COMMUNICATION

Go beyond transparency – proactive initiatives to engage and inform the public from the earliest stages and throughout







CIP TEAM

- Key Players
 - Town of Plattsburgh
 - Laberge Group
 - Water Advisory Board
 - Local Council
 - Bond Council







CIP COMMUNICATIONS

Stakeholder Team-Building

- Built key partnerships / garnered buy-in early
- Chamber of Commerce and business owners have been key partners for the Town

Public Outreach

- Update the public at every step of the plan and each project, including project initiation, progress, and completion
- Facebook page
- Project page on website
- Graphics such as CIP Map of projects in bubbles
- Brochures and posters
- Public presentations







CIP COMMUNICATIONS

Media Outreach

- Numerous interviews (print and TV) to discuss the plan as a whole and each individual project
- Media van tours of project sites
- Open access to relevant documents
- Made ourselves available
- Hosted informal sessions to share documents



