



Consolidation of Long Beach's Utilities

GAS ♦ WATER ♦ SEWER

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SIMILAR FUNCTIONS

Pipeline Installation

Engineering

Inspection Services

Customer Service

Quality Control

Meter Installs

Meter Reading/AMI

Utility Billing

Regulatory Affairs

Warehouse

Purchasing

Electrical

Utility Call Center

Accounting

Personnel Administration

Utility Rate Setting

Payroll

Regulatory Compliance

Pipeline Maintenance

Budgeting

Accounts Payable

Planning

Commodity Procurement

Welding

Industry Organizations

Executive Administration

Construction Crews

24-hr Emergency Response

Safety

Security

Marketing

Street Paving

Leak Detection

Training

Conservation

SCADA Systems

GIS

Dispatch

24-hr System Control

Pipeline Repair

Customer Turn-Ons

Customer Turn-Offs

Legislative Affairs

Cathodic Protection

Equipment Maintenance

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EXPECTED BENEFITS

IMPROVED:

- seamless delivery of services to both gas and water customers
- coordination of gas and water pipeline projects in streets
- consistency in setting customer programs and policies

INCREASED:

- flexibility in resource deployment, including personnel and equipment
- economies of scale should equate to more efficient operations
- availability of resources increases emergency response capability

EXPECTED BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

FOR FIRST TIME:

- one governing body regulating both utilities
- gas and water rates holistically vetted in public hearings
- one manager overseeing both utilities, accountable to one governing body

EMPLOYEES WILL:

- have opportunities for cross training within utilities, increasing career development
- NOT lose jobs due to consolidation, as efficiencies will be gained over time through attrition

GENERAL MANAGER HIRING/OVERSIGHT

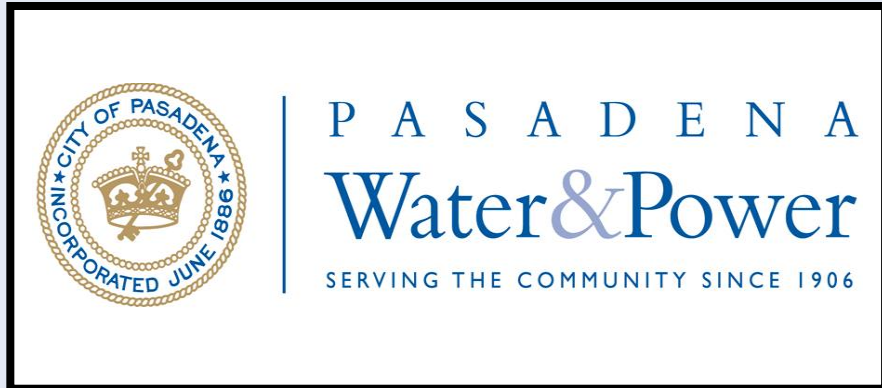
CURRENTLY

- City Manager hires and oversees the Director of the gas utility
- Water Commission hires and oversees the GM of the water utility

PROPOSED

- the Public Utilities Commission and the City Manager would jointly select the General Manager
- thereafter, the General Manager would be accountable to, and serve at the pleasure of, the Public Utilities Commission

CONSOLIDATED MUNICIPAL UTILITIES





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