

Financial Plan Calendar

FY 2021 and 2022 Biennial Budget & Five-Year Financial Planning Cycle

The Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) Financial Planning Cycle includes:

1. FY 2021 and 2022 Biennial Budget
2. FY 2021 through FY 2025 Five-Year Financial Plan
3. FY 2021 through FY 2025 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan
4. FY 2021 Schedule of Revenues and Charges

The schedule below reflects planning for the comprehensive GLWA Financial Plan.

Date	Activity
Friday, August 30, 2019	Internal – Deadline for Cost Center Budget Request
Thursday, October 17, 2019	Charges Rollout Meeting #1 – Water & Sewer Capital Improvement Plan Update
Thursday, November 21, 2019	Charges Rollout Meeting #2 – Units of Service Update
Sunday, December 1, 2019	GLWA and DWSD (City) - Exchange shared services to be provided and related costs (Shared Services Agreement 5.4)
Thursday, December 19, 2019	GLWA Audit Committee Meeting – Revenue Requirement Status Report
Wednesday, January 1, 2020	DWSD – Preliminary two-year budget forecast including key assumptions and impact statement due to GLWA (Water and Sewer Services Agreement 5.3a)
Wednesday, January 8, 2020	GLWA Board Workshop – Review of Proposed FY 2021 and 2022 Biennial Budget (Revenue Requirement) and Five-Year Financial Plan
Thursday, January 9, 2020	Charges Rollout Meeting #3 – Proposed FY 2021 Revenue Requirement
Friday, January 17, 2020	GLWA Audit Committee Meeting – Regular Meeting
Wednesday, January 22, 2020	GLWA Board Meeting – Status Report FY 2021 Service Charges, FY 2021 and 2022 Biennial Budget (Revenue Requirement) and Five-Year Financial Plan
Thursday, January 23, 2020	Charges Rollout Meeting #4 – Proposed FY 2021 Service Charges

Friday, January 24, 2020	Publish notice of the hearing by publication in a newspaper of general circulation (B)
Friday, January 24, 2020	Mail Notice to Member Partners of Public Hearing to be held on February 26, 2020 (minimum 30 days prior to Act 279 Public Hearing) (D)
Saturday, February 1, 2020	DWSD – Current capital improvement plan due to GLWA (Water and Sewer Services Agreement 5.3d(i))
Wednesday, February 26, 2020	GLWA Board Meeting – Public Hearing FY 2021 & FY 2022 Biennial Budget (A)
Wednesday, February 26, 2020	GLWA Board Meeting – Public Hearing FY 2021 Schedule of Revenues and Charges (Act 279, minimum 120 days before effective date) (C)
Wednesday, February 26, 2020	GLWA Board Meeting – Proposed Approval of the FY 2021 & FY 2022 Biennial Budget (A)
Wednesday, February 26, 2019	GLWA Board Meeting – Proposed Approval of FY 2021–2025 Capital Improvement Plan
Wednesday, February 26, 2020	GLWA Board Meeting – Public Hearing & Proposed Approval of FY 2021 Schedule of Revenues and Charges (Act 279, minimum 120 days before effective date) (C)
Monday, March 2, 2020	Mail Notice to Member Partners of Approved Charges
Monday, March 23, 2020	DWSD – Local system adopted biennial budget due to GLWA (Water and Sewer Services Agreement 5.3b)
Friday, May 1, 2020	DWSD – Local system provides direction to GLWA on how to apply lease payment (Water and Sewer Services Agreement 4.3)
Wednesday, July 1, 2020	GLWA – Effective date of FY 2020 and 2021 Biennial Budget, FY 2020 Schedule of Charges, and FY 2020-2024 Capital Improvement Plan

(A) thru (D) - The above schedule is designed to meet applicable statutory and contractual requirements with excerpts shown below.

- A. **Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, Act 2 of 1968, Section 141.434**, “Before final passage of a general appropriations act by the legislative body, a public hearing shall be held as required by 1963 (2nd Ex Sess) PA 43, MCL 141.411 to 141.415, and the open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275.” (For purposes of Public Act 2, the GLWA Board is the legislative body.)

- B. **Budget Hearings of Local Governments, Act 43 of 1963 (2nd Ex. Sess.), Section 141.412**, “The local unit shall give notice of the hearing by publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the local unit at least 6 days before the hearing.” (For purposes of Public Act 2, the GLWA Board is a local unit.)
- C. **Home Rule City Act, Act 279 of 1909, Section 117.5e**, “Municipal water or sewage system; annual audit; public hearing before proposed rate increase. A municipal water or sewage system established by a city incorporated under this act which serves more than 40% of the population of the state shall:(b) Hold at least 1 public hearing at least 120 days before a proposed rate increase is scheduled to take effect. Each hearing shall be conducted in compliance with Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of 1976, being sections 15.261 to 15.275 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. Notice of the time, date, and place of each hearing shall be given in the manner required by Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of 1976, shall be prominently printed in a daily newspaper of general circulation within the area, and shall be mailed to each city, village, or township served by the system not less than 30 days before each hearing. A final vote by the governing body of the city to implement a proposed rate increase shall not be taken until the hearings provided for in this subdivision are concluded and the results of those hearings are considered by the city's governing body.” (Emphasis added)

It should be noted that the Home Rule City Act does not apply to GLWA. It is relevant to GLWA’s planning cycle, however, as it is referenced in the *Wholesale Customer Model Water Contract* as noted below.

- D. **GLWA Wholesale Customer Model Water Contract Section 7.02** provides: “Notification of Rates. As soon as possible in the ratemaking process, the Board shall provide information on proposed rates and the draft data and information used in the calculation of proposed rates in a format that will enable Customer to assist in the ratemaking process. Not less than thirty calendar days prior to the hearing required by Act 279, the Board shall provide Customer with written notice of a proposed rate and the underlying data used to calculate the rate. The Board shall meet with Customer to review the rate and the data.” (Emphasis added; Act 279 is the Home Rule City Act noted above.)