

# COMBINED UTILITY SYSTEM

## Description and Mission

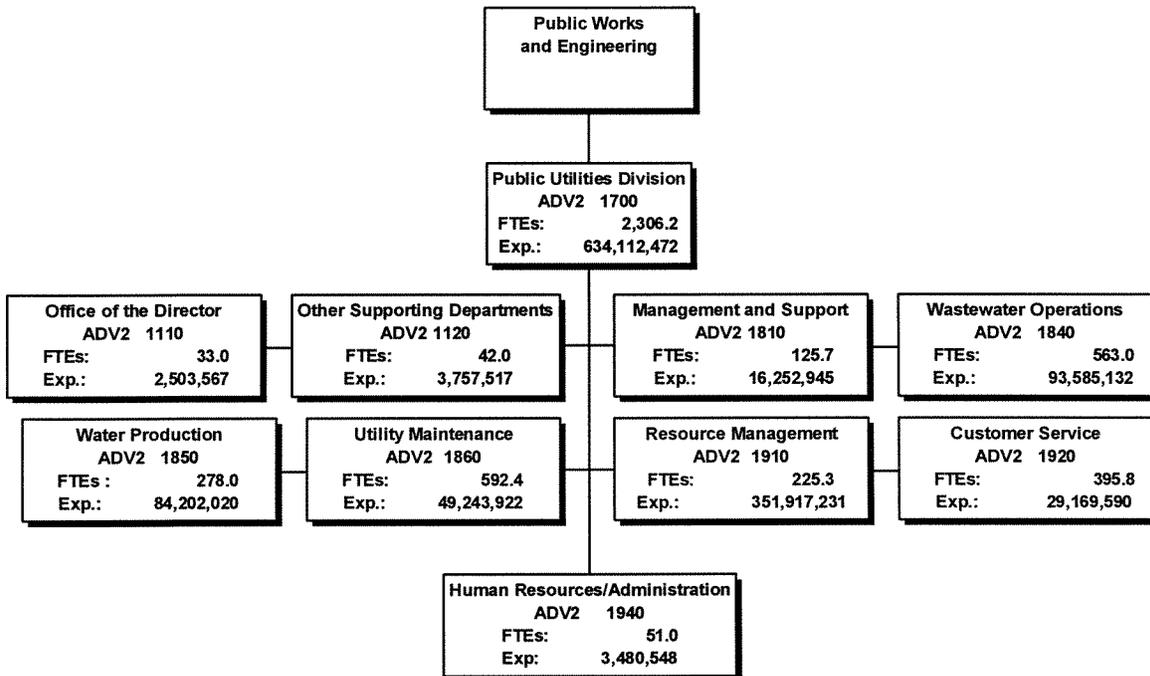
The Combined Utility System of the Public Works and Engineering Department is composed of three separate funds: the Water and Sewer System Operating Fund (Fund 701); the Combined Utility System Operating Fund (Fund 702); and the Combined Utility System General Purpose Fund (Fund 708) the latter two funds are described under their appropriate sections.

The Division primarily provides drinking water to homes and businesses as well as untreated water to major contract customers. Wastewater is collected throughout the city and treated for a safe return to local streams. It is one of the largest and most complex Public Utility Systems in the entire United States. The System continues to implement competitive work practices; install technology; implement procedures and enhance training in order to deliver high value service to customers; preserve facilities; and meet environmental and regulatory standards.

The Mission of the Public Utilities Division is to:

- Supply drinking water throughout the Houston Metropolitan Regional Area.
- Treat domestic and industrial wastewater.
- Meet all regulatory mandates and requirements.
- Provide regional, state and national leadership.
- Plan future water supplies for the region.

## Organization



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**FISCAL YEAR 2006 BUDGET**

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**Fund Summary**

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Fund Name : Pub Wrks & Engr/Public Utilities  
Department Name : Public Works and Engineering  
Fund/Department No. : 701 / 20

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	<u>FY2005 BUDGET</u>	<u>FY2005 ESTIMATE</u>	<u>FY2006 BUDGET</u>
Beginning Fund Equity	24,714,671	24,714,671	<b>25,644,389</b>
Provision for Bad Debt	0	0	0
Current Revenues	<u>630,146,001</u>	<u>631,480,136</u>	<u><b>637,819,230</b></u>
Total Available Resources	<u><u>654,860,672</u></u>	<u><u>656,194,807</u></u>	<u><u><b>663,463,619</b></u></u>
Maintenance and Operations	328,140,117	303,076,828	<b>352,213,766</b>
Debt Service	65,703,005	65,703,005	<b>64,524,757</b>
Operating Transfers	<u>239,719,213</u>	<u>261,770,585</u>	<u><b>217,373,949</b></u>
Total Expense	633,562,335	630,550,418	<b>634,112,472</b>
Planned Ending Fund Equity	<u>21,298,337</u>	<u>25,644,389</u>	<u><b>29,351,147</b></u>
Total Budget	<u><u>654,860,672</u></u>	<u><u>656,194,807</u></u>	<u><u><b>663,463,619</b></u></u>