

Executive Summary

Master Plan Update Purpose and Objectives

In order to address current and future needs of the water distribution and sanitary sewer collection systems in a proactive and economical manner, the City of Manhattan contracted with Camp Dresser & McKee Inc. to develop this Master Plan Update. CDM teamed with BG Consultants, Inc. of Manhattan to complete vital portions of the project, including all necessary fieldwork and system surveys and assessments. This report documents the assumptions made, criteria used, methods employed, evaluations made with project results obtained and culminates with a long-range capital improvements program for both utilities through the year 2030.

Hydraulic modeling analysis tools, in the form of easy-to-use and readily adaptable software models, are provided to the City so that this Master Plan Update will truly be a living document. The tools will enable staff to readily assess development impacts on current utility infrastructure so that the City can maintain quality drinking water and wastewater utility services for customers.

Project Definition

A contract was signed with Camp Dresser & McKee Inc. on November 20, 2001 to complete the distribution and collection system analysis. The agreement required examination of the distribution system including pumping stations, tanks and water lines. Raw water supply and drinking water treatment needs are not included in this project as the City examined them as part of an earlier study.

Additionally, the sanitary sewer collection system including lift stations, sewer lines and forcemains were to be analyzed and improvements identified for reinforcement of the existing system and for expanding services to new locations throughout Manhattan. Hydraulic modeling was contractually limited to one collection system basin with system-wide needs extrapolated from information provided by City staff. Wastewater treatment and biosolids management issues are not included in this project as the City previously studied them as part of a facilities planning effort completed by others in 2001.

The following Agreement tasks were completed for the distribution and collection systems during the course of the project by the Camp Dresser & McKee Inc. and BG Consultants, Inc. team:

- Task 1 - Data Collection and System Surveys
- Task 2 - System Assessments
- Task 3 - Utility Operations Evaluations
- Task 4 - Maintenance Management Planning
- Task 5 - Systems Modeling and Alternatives Development
- Task 6 - Capital Improvements Program Development
- Task 7 - Master Plan Update Preparation

Population and Growth

Growth and development in a community drive the need for utility service improvements and the scope of infrastructure needs for new customers. Growth rates and patterns used in this Master Plan Update were taken from the *Manhattan Urban Area Comprehensive Plan* completed on behalf of the City in 2002 by Clarion Associates.

Comprehensive Plan Projections

The *Manhattan Urban Area Comprehensive Plan* reviewed the growth rate projections of two organizations, the Housing Element of the Manhattan Urban Area Comprehensive Plan and the Kansas Water Office, comparing them to Manhattan's historic growth over several decades. At the conclusion of the comprehensive planning effort, the Kansas Water Office population growth rate of 1.31 percent per year was selected by the comprehensive plan steering committee as the most appropriate planning projection for the Manhattan urban area. This growth rate was used as the basis for population projections, and subsequently water demand and wastewater flow projections, for this Master Plan Update.

City of Manhattan Projections

The City's population was 46,722 in 2002 according to the City of Manhattan Community Development Department. Future population is projected to be 67,265 within the existing urban service area boundary and using a 1.31 percent annual growth rate. Figure ES-1 shows the population growth projected for Manhattan over the next 27 years at the various rates examined in the comprehensive plan.

It is highly probable that the City will expand over time and the net result will be the addition of new customers to the City's service area already residing in the urban area. To account for these annexed customers, potential future service area boundaries were established in consultation with Public Works and Community Development Department staff through 2030. Figure ES-2 displays the *Manhattan Urban Area Comprehensive Plan* study area outlined in red, Manhattan's current city limits outlined in blue and the Master Plan Update study area delineated in green. It is projected that the City will serve 2,096 existing urban area residents by year 2030 should service areas expand as expected. Assuming an expanded service will be realized, the resultant 2030 population used in this Master Plan Update is 69,361. (2030 projected population for the City of Manhattan of 67,265 plus an existing population of 2,096 through annexation.)

Utility Usage Projections

Historical records maintained by the Public Works Department and land use and population growth rates as defined in the *Manhattan Urban Area Comprehensive Plan* define the parameters necessary to determine future water demands and sanitary sewage flows. All of these components went into the usage projections derived for the City. Usage projections are summarized below for each utility.

Water Demands

Manhattan's average water consumption for the years 2000 and 2001 was 7.25 and 6.78 million gallons per day, respectively. Average water consumption is defined as the total water sold during a one-year period divided by the 365 days in the period. Using a combination of land use designations from the comprehensive plan to determine projected commercial, institutional, governmental and industrial water usage and population growth rates to define projected residential usage, the 2030 average daily demand is expected to be approximately 11.1 million gallons per day. This represents an increase of roughly 61 percent over the next 27 years. The corresponding maximum daily demand and peak hour demands are expected to be about 24 and 34 million gallons per day, respectively, at the end of the planning period, which is significantly higher than the current maximum daily demand of approximately 15 and peak hourly demand of approximately 21. Water demand projections are shown on Figure ES-3.

It should be noted that water demand projections presented in this Master Plan Update do not include wholesale water sales to other communities or water districts. The City should expect future inquiries from surrounding communities about buying drinking water from Manhattan. Drinking water regulations are getting stricter each year and many utilities are opting to purchase water from regional suppliers rather than construct, maintain and operate treatment facilities that come at a substantial price tag. It is suggested herein that wholesale water sales requests be handled on a case-by-case basis. Each request can be evaluated rapidly with the distribution system modeling tools provided to determine infrastructure requirements and costs in support of a request for water.

Sanitary Sewage Flows

Manhattan's average sewage flow for the year 2000 was 5.55 million gallons per day or an average of 120 gallons per person per day. Average sewage flow is defined as the total sewage flow metered at the influent to the wastewater treatment plant during a one-year period divided by the 365 days in the period. At a population growth of 1.31 percent per year (obtained from the *Manhattan Urban Area Comprehensive Plan* for the City's core area) and population growth expected through annexation as previously discussed, sewage flows were computed through 2030. The average daily flow to the wastewater treatment plant is expected to be approximately 8.3 million gallons per day in 2030. This represents an increase of roughly 50 percent over the next 27 years. The corresponding peak monthly and peak hourly flows are expected to be about 11.7 and 20.8 million gallons per day, respectively, at the end of the planning period. The current average daily flow is approximately 5.7 mgd and the peak monthly flows are around 8.0 mgd. Wastewater flow projections are shown on Figure ES-5. Sewage flows in the Wildcat Creek Basin, the focus of this planning effort, were measured at 1.4 million gallons per day during the 2002 flow-metering program. Average daily flows in the Wildcat Creek Basin are expected to grow to 2.9 million gallons per day by 2030. Peak monthly flows in this basin are expected to be 4.1 million gallons per day by 2030.

per day as suggested in the *Water and Wastewater Facilities Plan and Cost of Services Study* report of 2001, Master Plan Update demand estimates indicate Manhattan will not need additional wastewater treatment capacity until well after 2030.

The wastewater treatment plant accepts flow from 192 miles of gravity line and 9.5 miles of forcemain. The City's collection system is composed of five sanitary sewer basins or sewersheds. Nine lift stations operate within the collection system to serve outlying area or those sewersheds where gravity interceptors have yet to be extended. Figure ES-7 shows schematically the components of Manhattan's current and future sanitary sewer collection system through 2030. Improvements identified include those modeled in this study as well as those identified by City staff.

Existing Sanitary Sewer System Hydraulic Evaluation

A detailed hydraulic analysis of the Wildcat Creek Basin was performed for the first time using a computer-based modeling program. The program evaluated and selected by the City is *SewerCAD5.0*®, which will be provided to City staff at project completion. A flow-monitoring program conducted by BG Consultants, Inc. during the spring of 2002 was used to calibrate the model to actual field conditions under both dry and wet weather flows. Once existing system model calibration was achieved, several scenarios were examined to identify where the Wildcat Creek Basin's capacity is currently limited under peak wet weather flow events. As is generally the case for municipal collection systems, the Wildcat Creek Basin's collection system has more than sufficient capacity to convey dry weather sewage flows. However, capacity limitations were identified when the facilities were subjected to significant 10-year storm events. Collection system improvements are identified and discussed in Section 5 to alleviate these wet weather capacity issues. Implementing the suggested improvements will increase the collection system and Wildcat Lift Station capacity thereby reducing the risk of sanitary sewer overflows or basement backups in the lower elevations of the sewershed.

Modeling of the existing Wildcat Creek Basin indicated:

- The Wildcat Lift Station's firm capacity needs to be expanded now from 7.8 to 13.2 million gallons per day in order to transport existing wet weather sewage flows to the Central Basin from a 10-year storm event.
- A new 3,000-foot Wildcat Lift Station forcemain is needed from the Wildcat Lift Station to the Central Basin before wet weather capacity improvements are implemented upstream. The forcemain will run from the Wildcat Lift Station under Wildcat Creek to a downstream manhole in the Central Basin where sewage flows by gravity to the wastewater treatment plant.
- Achieving adequate wet weather conveyance capacity in the Wildcat Creek Basin will require the installation of approximately 8,300 feet or 1.6 miles of relief sewers and forcemains ranging in size from 8 to 18 inches.

■ **North Basin**

- Installation of approximately 14,700 feet of gravity sewer lines largely concentrated in the East Knox Village area ranging in size from 10 to 15 inch. Of that amount, 7,500 feet of sewer line is needed to extend service from Casement Road to new customers in the area north of Marlatt Avenue and east of Tuttle Creek Boulevard.
- Abandoning the Northfield Lift Station after extension of appropriate gravity sewer lines to convey sewage flows to the wastewater treatment plant.

■ **Central Basin**

- Replacement of about 7,600 feet of gravity sewers in the downtown area due to age and condition and installation of a new swimming pool drain line.
- Installation of a parallel or replacement interceptor from the wastewater treatment plant to the Wildcat Lift Station. This line is approximately 20,000 feet in length and ranges in size from 54 to 24 inch.

■ **Gateway and School Creek Basins**

If service is extended to the area:

- Construction of a new School Creek Lift Station and installation of 14,900 feet of sewer lines and forcemains.
- Installation of about 17,400 feet of gravity interceptor from the Gateway Basin under the Kansas River and to the City's wastewater treatment plant.

■ **Elbo Creek Basin**

If service is extended to the area:

- Construction of a new Elbo Creek Lift Station.
- Installation of 6,200 feet of interceptor sewers and construction of 15,600-foot forcemain to provide service in this new area.

Sanitary Sewer Collection System Conditional Assessment

The physical condition of the sanitary sewer collection system was documented by BG Consultants, Inc. under Task 2 of the Agreement during the summer and fall of 2002. Manhole, sewer line and lift station inspections were completed. As is the case for most utilities, Manhattan's collection system needs repair/rehabilitation work to reduce the amount of infiltration and inflow getting into the system. Reducing infiltration and inflow will be beneficial to Manhattan as treatment of these extraneous flows is expensive, and its reduction will lessen the City's risk of sanitary sewer overflows and basement backups. Lift stations, on the other hand, are generally

Follow-Up Activities

Described previously are the recommended projects that will improve and enhance existing system condition and operation and extend services to new areas. Suggested follow-up activities for the Public Works Department after review and acceptance of this Master Plan Update are as follows:

- Update the cost-of-services study incorporating the impacts of this Master Plan Update's capital improvements program identifying potential impacts to utility rates and examining possible funding mechanisms,
- Complete field surveys of manholes and hydraulic modeling of the collection system's four remaining basins to better define needed wet-weather capacity improvements that will mitigate the impact of wet-weather flows and substantially reduce the likelihood of sanitary sewer overflows and basement backups,
- Maintain and regularly update the distribution and collection system software models to incorporate completed infrastructure projects from the previous year and, lastly,
- Revisit the capital improvements program annually adjusting project sequencing and cost estimates to reflect changes in priorities, which are driven by variable growth rates and development patterns.