

# **2021 ANNUAL REPORT**



John Duffy Utilities Director

# Meeting the Needs of Today and Our Future

Each year the City of Carmel Utilities department provides the Annual Report as a good overview of our performance and activities from the prior year. As we present this year's report, there is much reflection on what our Utilities departments have achieved, overcoming

many obstacles during these unprecedented global pandemic times. There have been significant developments in the past year and I'm proud to highlight these accomplishments and the impact they will have on our customers.

## **Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion**

To meet Carmel's continued growth, the Wastewater Treatment Plant, located at 96th Street and Hazel Dell Parkway, expanded its capacity from 12 million gallons per day to 14 million gallons per day. The expansion included the addition of two new aeration tanks, and one final clarifier along with piping/pump replacements and additions. The project was financed through a low interest loan (2.5%) offered through the Indiana Finance Authority State Revolving Loan Fund.

Since the completion of the expansion project, a series of improvement projects began, allowing the plant to biologically or chemically remove phosphorus from Carmel's wastewater effluent. Effective December 1, 2021, final effluent limitations of phosphorus are permit-regulated by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management.

### **Water Main Expansion**

The Home Place expansion project added more than 44,000 feet of water main to the Carmel Utilities' system, providing a total of 400 residences ready access to municipal water, who had been previously served by private wells. Completed in 2021, this expansion



aides in maintaining water quality, eliminating dead-end mains and improving flow rates through more system redundancy.

## Water Meter Upgrade Project

In early September 2021, the City of Carmel Utilities began replacing aging water meters across the community with new, enhanced equipment allowing for more accurate readings and better water efficiency. With an expected completion date of late 2022, the project will replace approximately 29,000 meters.

The results outlined in these pages demonstrate our commitment to providing safe and reliable water and wastewater services at rates far lower than our surrounding communities, all while continuing our responsibility of environmental sustainability and dedication to our community.

We are looking forward to another great year in 2022.

John Duffy, Utilities Director

### **WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT EXPANSION**







**New Clarifier Tank** 

**Two New Aeration Tanks** 

**Plant Expansion Aerial** 

# WATER UTILITY

ANNUAL WATER PRODUCTION

3,892,255,000

**AVERAGE WATER DEMAND** 

# **10.66 MILLION**

**GALLONS PER DAY** 

## **FACILITY INFORMATION**

**4** TREATMENT PLANTS

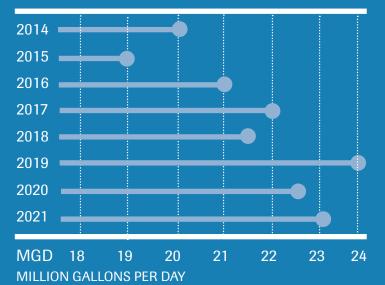
TREATMENT CAPACITY MGD

CURRENT: **34 MGD** MILLION GALLONS PER DAY EXPANSION: **38 MGD** MILLION GALLONS PER DAY

SIZE OF SERVICE AREA SQ. MILES/ACRES:

**50.23 SQ MILES** 





# Water Sense PARTNER





# 2021 TOTALS

**\$11,610,471**OPERATING BUDGET

**\$168,621,723**TOTAL ASSET VALUE

**59**NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

365

NUMBER OF DAYS
IN OPERATION

**31,592**NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS

**852 TOTAL** 

NUMBER OF CUSTOMER CALL-INS FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSES

2,255

NUMBER OF WORK ORDERS SERVICED

573

MILES OF WATER MAINS

7,242

NUMBER OF FIRE HYDRANTS
INSPECTED/SERVICED

40,164

NUMBER OF 811 WATER LINE LOCATES

The numbers listed above reflect 2021 totals.

**City of Carmel Utilities Partners** 

# **2021 TOTALS**

**\$8,206,086**OPERATING BUDGET

**\$62,048,620**TOTAL ASSET VALUE

**47** NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

365

NUMBER OF DAYS
IN OPERATION

**16,898**NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS

127

NUMBER OF CUSTOMER CALL-INS FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSES

22,713

NUMBER OF WORK ORDERS SERVICED

265

MILES OF SANITARY MAIN

# 716,652 FEET OR 135.7 MILES

SANITARY SEWER MAIN CLEANED/TV INSPECTED

20,313

NUMBER OF 811 SEWER LINE LOCATES

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# **WASTEWATER UTILITY** ANNUAL WASTEWATER FLOW 3,645,000,000 CLASS IV CONVENTIONAL-ACTIVATED SLUDGE-TYPE PLANT 9.98 MILLION **GALLONS PER DAY** 3.000 **AWARD WINNING Resource Recovery Award** \*Laboratory Excellence Award (2001-2021)**Both awards received from (IWEA) Indiana Water Environment Association** \*Awarded 20 years in a row AVERAGE MILLION GALLONS PER DAY OF TREATED WASTEWATER 2014 2015 = 2016 = 2017 = 2018 = 2019 = 2020 2021 =

MGD 9.8 • 9.92 • 10.05 • 10.16 • 10.78 • 10.82 MILLION GALLONS PER DAY

#### RESIDENTIAL TRASH & RECYCLING



30,501 NUMBER OF **CUSTOMERS** 

34,941 TONS OF TRASH **DISPOSED OF IN 2021** 

8,539 TONS OF RECYCLING **COLLECTED IN 2021** 



### **HOLIDAY LIGHTS RECYCLING DRIVE**

Carmel Clay Schools Green Teams, City of Carmel Utilities, Tech Recyclers and White's Ace Hardware worked together to make it a green holiday season, offering a Holiday Light Recycling Drive.

Beginning in December 2021, residents had the opportunity to recycle used and unwanted holiday lights at White's Ace Hardware or at any Carmel Clay Schools Green Teams drop-off through January 2022.

Due to the overwhelming community participation, a total of 5,839 pounds of lights were recycled through the 2021-2022 winter season program.



Since the start of the collaborative program ten years ago, more than eight tons of holiday lights have been recycled!

## THERE MUST BE SOMETHING IN THE WATER

**Congratulations to our Carmel Utilities** employees and their 2021 milestones.

- **ENGAGEMENT**
- **MARRIAGES**
- **BABIES**
- RETIREMENTS



**IN MEMORIAM Carmel Utilities lost active** employee Teresa Lewis, a dedicated member of the department for more than 39 years.

**Customer Service & Billing for 2021** 

368,215 (1,473/BUSINESS DAY AVG) NUMBER OF PAYMENTS **PROCESSED** 

417,168 **METER READINGS** 

10,642 NUMBER OF WORK **ORDERS SERVICED** 







