# City of Traverse City, MI

Contract & Partnership Renewal Opportunity: Wastewater Treatment Plant O&M

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# Agenda

History and Milestone Achievements Why Jacobs? Potential Early Renewal Value-Adds

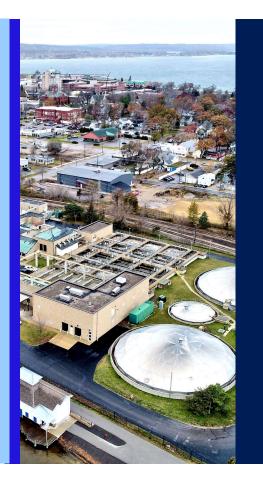


# Partnership History & Milestone Achievements

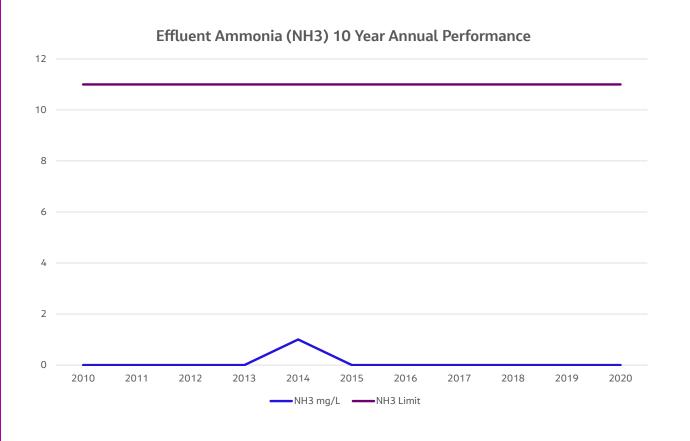
# Traverse City + Jacobs = Historic 30-year Partnership

# **OVER 2.1 BILLION GALLONS**

of wastewater were treated at the TCRWWTP in 2019-2020, producing a high-quality effluent that met and for many parameters, exceeded permit requirements for waterway protection.

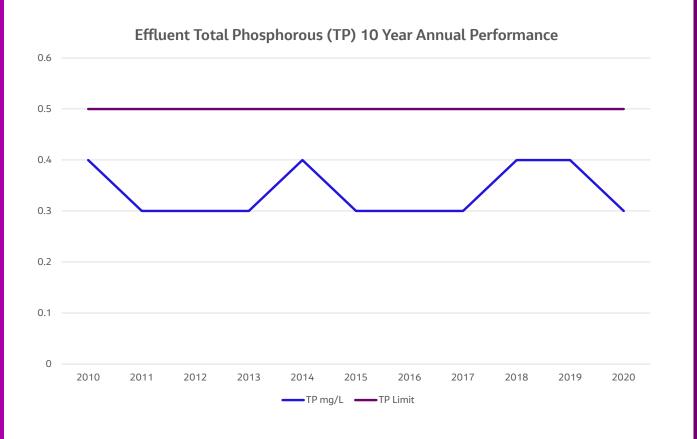


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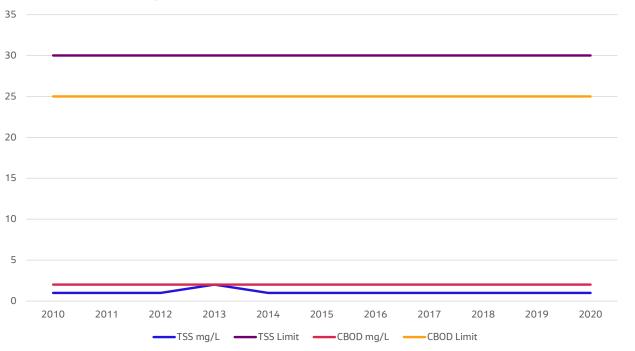
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#### RFP Issued Competitive O&M Re-bids

#### **Early 1990s**

- Traverse City selects Jacobs for O&M of regional WWTP
- Completed \$1.5-million WWTP upgrade
- Added UV disinfection

#### **2004**

City completes \$31-million plant upgrade including newest and largest membrane bioreactor (MBR) in North America; upgrades designed by Jacobs

#### **9** 2006

American Council of **Engineering Companies** (ACEC) and Society of Professional Engineers recognize Traverse City and Jacobs for engineering excellence

#### 2007

U.S. Environmental **Protection Agency** Region 5 Best Operate and Maintained **Facility Award** 

2012

Renewed **M**&0 partnership

# Traverse City partnership timeline

Worked with GE Water Technologies and operating team to replace and upgrade three membrane filtration units in the MBR

**●** 2015

Renewed **M**&0 partnership

2016

Completed upgrades to pumping equipment and infrastructure; replaced membrane cassettes in MBR train 4

2017

Traverse City and Jacobs receive Michigan Water **Environment Association** Large Facility Safety Award

**♦** 2019

- Replaced and installed new membranes in treatment trains 7 and 8
- Collaborated with Michigan State University and Arizona State University to monitor COVID-19 in wastewater influent

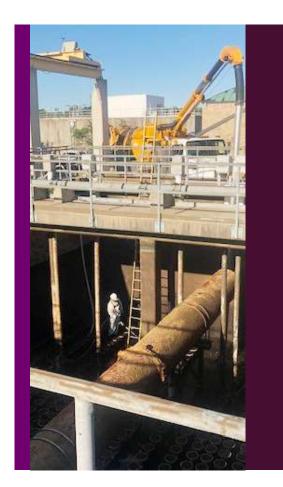
2020

Why Jacobs?

# Supporting the City's goals for sustainability



- Reused roughly 28 million gallons of plant effluent reducing the demand on City water
- Biosolids reuse through land application
- Reduced the amount of natural gas use by using methane gas generated by the anaerobic digesters to heat the digesters and the administration building
- Reuse of plastic carbon canisters and use of activated carbon from coconut shells for odor control



# Supporting the City's goals for sustainability



# PlanBeyond

- Upgraded 80 lighting fixtures in 2019-2020 with LED lighting as they failed
- Recycled 180 gallons of used oil
- Nitrile glove recycling instead of sending them to the landfill
- Install new EV charging station at WWTP to convert fleet to electric
- Evaluate Bio P removal and new monitoring technology viability at WWTP to reduce ferric usage



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# Benefits of having Jacobs as your OM partner

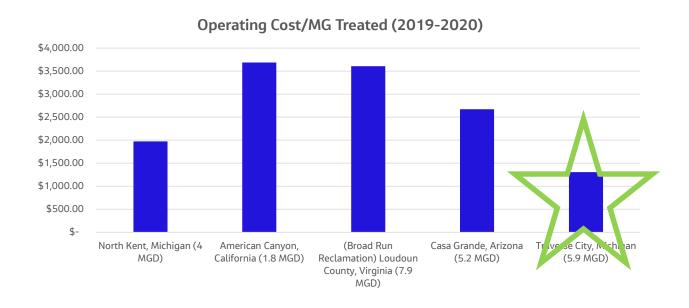
- Cost effective, risk mitigating service delivery for more than 30 years
- Engineering & Operations Management sustainability leader who can help the City achieve its renewable energy & carbon neutrality goals
- Continuity of Operations during Construction

- Deep, diversified bench of qualified O&M, technical and engineering resources
- Partner vs contractor approach, including a willingness to invest
- Continuous improvement and innovation
- We listen and align our goals to the City's



# Benchmarking study confirms cost effective service delivery

# Membrane Treatment Facilities 2019-2020 Budgeted Operating Costs



<sup>\*</sup> Does not include debt service or capital expenditures

# Additional cost-savings delivered to Traverse City

Area of Focus	Description	Estimated Savings
Biosolids Hauling	Jacobs funded install of flow metering for the biosolids loadouts provided a more accurate measurement of what is being hauled. Savings achieved in just three biosolids hauls (3x per year over 5 years)	\$45,000
Aeration Basin	Reduced cost of aeration basin maintenance & cleaning (self-performing vs contracting with a 3 <sup>rd</sup> party) \$58,0	
Membrane bioreactor back pulse pump repair	Using vibration analysis for early detection of maintenance needs prior to catastrophic failure	\$19,000
Odor Control	Devised a way to replace just the carbon in the Phoenix Odor Control building canisters, instead of replacing entire canisters themselves.	\$15,000 every 18 months
Methane Gas Reuse	Used to heat the digesters and the administration building, reducing the use of natural gas at the facility.	Estimated savings unknown

# Highly qualified, award winning team of professionals embedded in the community deliver for Traverse City with a deep national bench



Jacobs' Shane Wyatt and Art Krueger (City Director of Municipal Utilities) accepting award

Jacob's Lane Peterson accepts award

# **CYBERX**(Now Microsoft Azure Defender)

#### **PREDICT**

Proactive exposure analysis Predict attacks Baseline systems

#### **PREVENT**

Harden and isolate systems
Divert attackers
Prevent incidents





**Continuous Monitoring and Analytics** 





#### **RESPOND**

Remediate/make change Design/model change Investigate/forensics

#### **DETECT**

Detect incidents
Confirm and prioritize risk
Contain incidents

# Potential Value Adds as your partner for a long-term renewal

# Proposed Value-Add items 10-year contract offer

Value-Added Component	Jacobs Investments & Discounts to be amortized over 10-yr contract term
Blower Upgrade / Replacement	\$250,000
Digester Gas Reuse Study	\$150,000
Upgrade to LED Lighting	\$100,000 in provided labor
Engineering Services Discount	Up to \$250,000 of services @ 8.5% discount
Solar Study	\$20,000
Annual Innovation Workshops	\$200,000 (\$20,000/y)
Predictive Maintenance / AM (WTP)	\$50,000 annual value

# Value-Add Items in Detail

# Aeration Blower Upgrade & Replacement

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#### Scope

Jacobs to engineer, purchase and install 1 blower, including associated mechanical and electrical modifications.

Cost to be amortized over the term of the new contract.



#### Savings & Benefits to the City

- ✓ Electricity usage ~\$9k/yr (\$102K total cost reduction)
- Reduces annual electrical usage by more than 100,000 kwhr/yr helping to reach City electrical goals
- Improves operational controls to improve treatment removal efficiency and reliability
- Provides risk mitigation on future electrical rate increases by reducing consumption
- Replaces 33+ year old existing equipment well beyond useful life

#### **BEFORE**



**AFTER** 



# **Digester Gas Reuse Study**

#### Scope

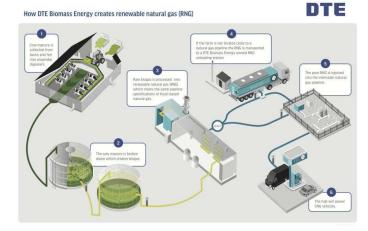
Provide engineering support to evaluate feasibility of selling digester gas to DTE and determine options to maximize digester gas production.

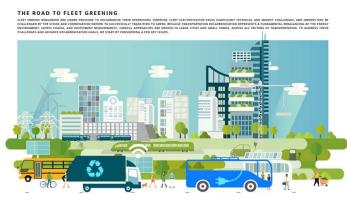
Cost of implementation not included in this phase.



#### Savings & Benefits to the City

- ✓ Greenhouse gas reduction
- ✓ Source of revenue for the City
- Balance environmental sustainability and economics for all stakeholders
- ✓ Take a holistic approach (liquid, solids: thickening, digestion)
- Develop a fresh look that explores new operational options
- Address the key issue of redundancy of digesters
- Evaluate business case for decisions with updated economic, sustainability, and infrastructure criteria





#### **Upgraded Aeration Basin Lighting**

# **Upgrade to LED Lighting**

#### Scope

Replace remaining 488 fixtures with LED lighting, including all necessary supply modifications to support LED.

Materials paid for via Repairs Budget over the term of the contract.

### Savings & Benefits to the City

- ✓ Reduced electricity usage / cost
- ✓ The Jacobs delivery team to provide an estimated \$100K worth of labor over the term of the new contract at no additional cost to the City

(Value estimate based on competitive 3<sup>rd</sup> party quote received from Windemueller Engineers)





**Upgraded Fine Screen Room Lighting** 



## **Engineering Services Discount**

#### Scope

Clearly defined process for utilization of Jacobs consulting engineering support, including:

- preferred client rate schedule to be used for pricing new work includes an overall 8.5% discount;
- separate, clear Task Order process for improved project management & accountability.

<u>NOTE</u>: 8.5% applied to Jacobs standard rates / multiplier for engineering services.

#### Savings & Benefits to the City

- Preferred pricing schedule for up to \$250,000 in client identified engineering services
- ✓ Streamlined access
- ✓ Clear, managed process



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# **Solar Study**

#### Scope

# Update 2016 study; include options for external project analysis. Pricing and incentives have changed.

Possible enduring Innovation Workshop topic

#### Savings & Benefits to the City

- ✓ Identification of opportunities to leverage solar energy within WWTP and City limits
- Discuss and assist the City with prioritization of options identified through the study



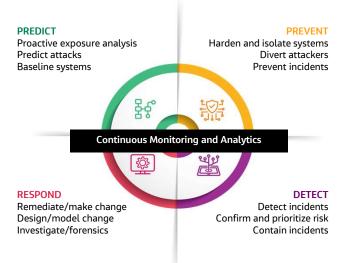


# **Cybersecurity Upgrades**

#### Scope

Jacobs Cybersecurity Specialist on call as needed.

Assist the City with strategy development and maintenance for continued protection and awareness.



#### Savings & Benefits to the City

- Reduce / Eliminate the vulnerabilities that cyber attacks exploit.
- Ensure the integrity of process control systems
- ✓ Protect sensitive utility and customer information
- Reduce legal liabilities if customer or employee personal information is stolen; and
- Maintain customer confidence.
- ✓ Jacobs Regional Cybersecurity expert available as part of the extended Regional Support Team

# **Annual Innovation Workshop**

#### Scope

Annual workshop with Jacobs industry leaders and subject matter experts to review and discuss Traverse City-specific water and wastewater treatment facility management approaches, based on your goals and priorities. Topics for each workshop identified and chosen by the City.

#### **Client experience:**

"The Annual Innovation Workshop was very informative, and it was amazing how much information was packed into 8 hours. It was like attending a WEFTEC\* workshop in your own backyard with all the presentations custom made for your facility."

– Firooz Fath-Azam, South Huron Valley System Manager

#### Savings & Benefits to the City

- Keep city at the forefront of industry w/ up and coming technology reviews, trends lessons learned and alternative approaches
- ✓ Continuous improvement
- Identify & share innovative operational enhancements
- Efficiency identification
- ✓ Capital planning inputs & prioritization



# **EXAMPLE: Innovation Workshop Topics**

- I. Alternative Solutions for 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Biosolids Handling
- II. New/Emerging Regulations
- III. Grit Removal Technologies
- IV. Process Efficiencies
- V. Stormwater Management Utility Formation
- VI. Conveyance
  - a) |&|
  - b) Communications
  - c) GIS/CMMS Solutions
- VII. Pollution Liability (insurance, etc.)

VIII.Laboratory Quality Assurance

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# **Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station**

#### Scope

#### **Savings & Benefits to the City**

Design and install one EV charging station at the City WWTP

✓ Jacobs shares electric fleet goals with the City

✓ Available to both City and Jacobs vehicles





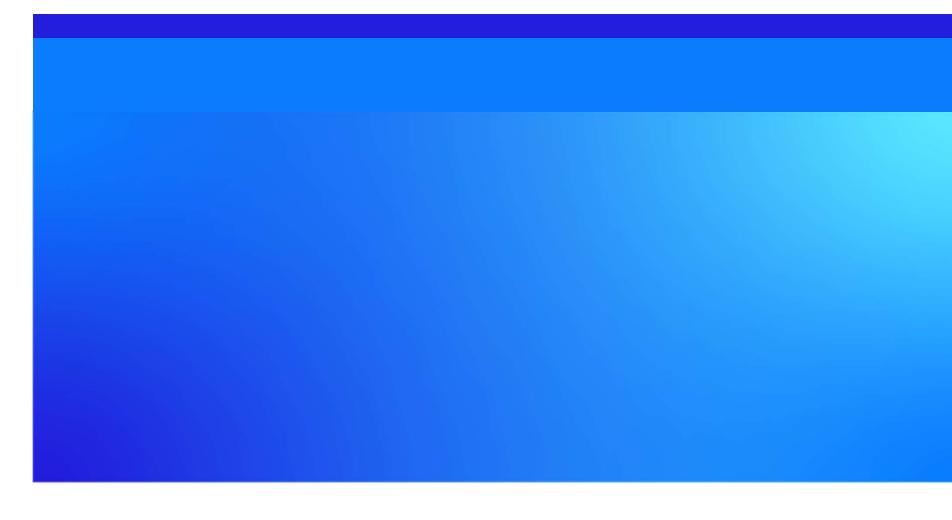
# Aligning and Supporting the City's Goals for the Future

City Goals	Jacobs Alignment & Support
Water-Related Infrastructure Strategic Goal: Address the impacts of high water levels and the needs of underfunded and aging stormwater infrastructure	<ul> <li>Discounted engineering option for infrastructure upgrade / replacement</li> <li>Innovation Workshop to discuss ways to address</li> <li>Periodic (PdM) Maintenance program to extend the life of an protect both new and existing assets for longest life</li> </ul>
Tax Revenue Strategic Goal: Evaluate new sources of local revenue.	<ul> <li>✓ Gas reuse study yields options and considerations for potential new revenue steam</li> <li>✓ Enduring topic for consideration at annual Innovation Workshops</li> </ul>
Green Initiatives Investing in green initiatives for a more sustainable future at least two sustainability projects per year through 2027 creating a plan to become "carbon neutral before mid-	<ul> <li>✓ Gas reuse provides the City with multiple options for energy reuse and reduced carbon impact</li> <li>✓ New, best-in-class blower for lower energy use and more efficient operation</li> <li>✓ LED Lighting for less energy use</li> <li>✓ Solar study to identify solar power opportunities</li> <li>✓ Enduring Innovation Workshop Topic</li> </ul>

EV charging station



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