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INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

BY THE YEAR 1985, IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE CITY OF FORT WAYNE WILL HAVE INCREASED TO AN AREA OF APPROXIMATELY 65 SQUARE MILES WITH A POPULATION OF APPROXIMATELY 224,700 PEOPLE. AS THIS EXPECTED GROWTH MATERIALIZES, IT IS OBVIOUS THAT ADDITIONAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES WILL BE NECESSARY ON THE PART OF ALL DEPARTMENTS OF MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT IN ORDER TO MEET THE INCREASED DEMAND FOR THESE MUNICIPAL SERVICES.

IT WILL BE FAR MORE ECONOMICAL FOR THE CITIZENS OF FORT WAYNE IF THE SERVICES THEY ARE GOING TO NEED BY THE YEAR 1985 ARE PROVIDED AND PAID FOR FROM YEAR TO YEAR ON A SCHEDULED BASIS RATHER THAN TO WAIT FOR THREE OR FOUR YEARS AND THEN PAY FOR SEVERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ALL IN ONE YEAR.

CONSEQUENTLY, THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE CITY OF FORT WAYNE PREPARED THIS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM WITH THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES IN MIND:

1. BY ESTABLISHING IN ADVANCE WHAT PROJECTS WILL BE COMPLETED, THE GUESSWORK FOR LAND DEVELOPERS AND VARIOUS UNITS OF GOVERNMENT IS ELIMINATED.
2. PROGRAMMING A PROJECT ALLOWS IMMEDIATE CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN MUNICIPAL FACILITIES THAT ARE MORE URGENTLY NEEDED WHILE PROVIDING A SYSTEM BY WHICH THEY CAN BE FITTED INTO AN OVERALL PROGRAM WITHIN A DEFINITE PERIOD OF TIME.
3. THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FORECASTS FOR THE BUDGETTING OFFICERS OF THE CITY AND THE COMMON COUNCIL, THE EXPECTED EXPENSES TO BE INCURRED IN THE FUTURE YEARS, THEREBY MAKING BUDGETTING FAR MORE ACCURATE AND CERTAINLY MUCH SIMPLER.
4. IT PROVIDES A SIMPLER METHOD OF COORDINATION OF ACTIVITIES OF ALL UNITS OF THE CITY IN THAT EACH DEPARTMENT WILL KNOW IN ADVANCE WHEN CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS WILL BE MADE AND

