

DES MOINES WATER WORKS
Board of Water Works Trustees



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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 15, 2019

TO: William Stowe, CEO and General Manager

FROM: Peggy Freese, CFO

SUBJECT: Depositories for Des Moines Water Works Funds

Chapter 12C, Code of Iowa, requires a board resolution listing approved depositories and maximum amounts approved each year. The attached list is staff's recommendation of financial institutions and amounts for 2019.

At one time, the State of Iowa maintained a listing of banks approved to accept deposits of public funds. They discontinued this practice a number of years ago and now any bank may accept public funds as long as they collateralize them according to law. Our list of approved depositories includes institutions in addition to Bankers Trust which is our primary bank. This would allow us to change or expand our banking relationship should the need arise. One of our requirements for a bank is that they have a downtown or south side branch easily accessible from DMWW. The banks on the approved depository list are the metro area banks who meet this criterion.

Investments of reserve funds that are invested in securities are not covered by this requirement as they are not direct obligations of the bank. Government backed securities are book entry at the Federal Reserve and are not literally held at the bank. We do, however, need to allow for the maturing of investments from time to time, since proceeds are deposited in our bank accounts by the bank's investment department and reside there until further investment orders are placed.

Attachment

Chapter 12C, Code of Iowa - Deposit of Public Funds

12C.2 Approval — requirements.

The approval of a financial institution as a depository of public funds for a public body shall be by written resolution or order that shall be entered of record in the minutes of the approving board, and that shall distinctly name each depository approved, and specify the maximum amount that may be kept on deposit in each depository.

Recommended depositories and amounts for 2019:

Bankers Trust Company	\$10,000,000
Bank of America	10,000,000
Bank of the West	10,000,000
First American Bank	10,000,000
Iowa State Bank	10,000,000
US Bank	10,000,000
Wells Fargo Bank Iowa	10,000,000
West Bank	10,000,000