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**CITY OF WOONSOCKET TO HOST INFORMATIONAL SESSION
ON NEW WATER TREATMENT FACILITY**

Session to be Held at Bernon Heights Elementary School
July 29, 2015 at 6:00pm

WOONSOCKET, R.I. – In order to satisfy requirements of the State Departments of Health and Environmental Management, the City of Woonsocket will host an informational hearing on the new Water Treatment Facility. This technical briefing will be held next Wednesday, July 29, 2015 at 6:00pm at Bernon Heights Elementary School.

The session is being held to provide technical information about the development and treatment process to the general public. A question and answer session will be held as part of this process.

This long overdue new 7MGD facility will be built on City property; accessed from Jillson Avenue. The process will be a DBO (design, build, operate) approach and the form of treatment will be DAF (dissolved air flotation).

This session will be moderated by Sean Coffey, an attorney at Burns & Levinson, and the technical presentation will be given by Robert Otoski of CDM Smith. Both individuals are agents for the City. City staff will be present to assist with the question and answer session.

Notification of this informational session will be provided via radio announcements, newspaper advertisement and over 1500 postcards, mailed to owners and residents within a half mile of the new facility.

Upon completion of this informational hearing, the City will issue an RFP (request for proposals) to formally start the DBO development process. Tentative completion date is the summer of 2019.

"I am pleased to be the Mayor to move this critical issue towards completion," stated Mayor Lisa Baldelli-Hunt.

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