



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: City Utilities - Water and Light

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: October 5, 2015

Re: Amendment to B149-16, authorizing an agreement for professional engineering services with Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc. for the More's Lake Remediation and site restoration project at the Municipal Power Plant

Executive Summary

Staff is requesting amendment of council memo and agreement to correct the name to More's Lake.

Discussion

While there has been many references to lake at the Columbia Power Plant as Moore's Lake, the accurate spelling is More's Lake. This Amendment is requesting a correction the Council memo and professional services agreement to reflect the correct spelling of this lake.

Elawson More, who lived from 1837 to 1902 was a Yale-educated lawyer and U.S. consul-general to Mexico. More built a 20-room house and the lake that became Mores Lake. The land also was home to two past presidents of Exchange National Bank — now part of Landmark Bank — and it was home to William C. Bowling, who lived from 1888 to 1977, a founder of the Columbia Rotary Club and one-time owner of Tiger Hotel.

After considerable debate and multiple elections, the Columbia City Council arrived at a price to purchase the Columbia Water and Light Company, and city officials drew up plans for drilling two deep wells northeast of town, at More's Lake.

On February 23, 1904, voters overwhelmingly approved the purchase of the utility and sanctioned a \$100,000 bond which marked the beginning of Columbia Water & Light as a Municipal Utility. A 1913 fire at the home of C.B. Bowling on the site is credited with spurring organization of the city's first professional fire department.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: N/A

Long-Term Impact: N/A

Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

[Vision Impacts:](#)



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Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

Date	Action
06/20/2016	Introduction of B149-16

Suggested Council Action

Approve amendment request to change name spelling from Moore's Lake to More's Lake