

APRIL 2021 MAC UPDATE



Municipal Advisory Council of Michigan

NEW MAC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Municipal Advisory Council Board of Trustees are pleased to announce the appointment of Jon Wheatley as successor to Al Diebel as Executive Director. Al publicly announced his plans to retire in December 2020. The Board of Trustees formed an executive search committee in January 2021 and soon accepted applications during the month of February. After interviews with qualified candidates, the selection of Jon was confirmed by the Board. On May 3rd Jon will join Al in a transition period running through June 30th.

Jon is departing the Great Lakes Water Authority where he has served as Public Finance Manager since February 2015. In addition to extensive bond financing duties involving more than 25 water and sewer transactions, he oversaw the creation of the Authority's Water Residential Assistance Program and renegotiation of over 80 wholesale water service contracts over a period of two years across the Authority's service area. Jon's public finance career also includes fifteen years as a municipal advisor at Bendzinski & Co. from 2000 – 2015, where he worked with a wide range of local government issuers to meet their capital requirements through the issuance and sale of municipal bonds.

We wish to extend a warm welcome to Jon in his new position at the MAC.

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