**New Franklin Water Regionalization Project Fact Sheet**

**WHO/WHAT:**

The City of New Franklin in collaboration with Aqua Ohio and the Ohio EPA will begin the first phase of bringing water to areas of New Franklin. The City was successful in obtaining a Water Supply Revolving Loan through the Ohio EPA to fund the $4.2 million dollar project. Through their principal forgiveness program, $2.1 million dollars of those project costs will be eliminated. Aqua Ohio has graciously donated $1.5 million dollars of project costs leaving a balance of $500,000. The City will recoup those remaining dollars through commitment fees from existing businesses on the water route, and future impact fees collected as customers tie on.

**WHEN:**

By fall of 2020, Aqua Ohio will begin laying the critical infrastructure needed for this project; lines should be in and operational by the end of 2021.

**WHERE:**

The service area will extend water lines from South Main Street to West Caston Road, then to Coleman Drive, Catalina Drive, Renninger Road and finally to Manchester Road. The lines will run north to Vanderhoof Road and south to Grace Church (just south of Center Road) totaling approximately 3 miles on the S.R. 93 commercial corridor.

**WHY:**

Public utilities play a significant role in promoting responsible development. When families are considering moving to a new community or a business considers relocating or looks to expand within its hometown, access to city water is a key factor in their decision. In addition, access to water allows the City to assist existing businesses that need water, while promoting New Franklin as a major player for new economic growth and opportunities.

There will be NO MANDATORY assessments, and access to water will be voluntary.