

**AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Agenda Item number: 5d

Title:

Recommendation to Approve an Ordinance Authorizing Changes in Rate Structure for the Water Utility of the City St Charles Effective with Billings Issued After June 1, 2017

Presenter:

Chris Minick, Finance Director

Meeting: Government Operations Committee

Date: April 17, 2017

Proposed Cost: \$N/A

Budgeted Amount: \$

Not Budgeted: **Executive Summary** *(if not budgeted please explain):*

In conjunction with the implementation of the FY 17-18 budget, Staff is seeking approval of the attached Ordinance to enact changes in the utility rate structure. This ordinance reflects the rates utilized in the preparation of the FY 17/18 budget presented to and approved by the City Council on April 3, 2017. The projections and amounts included in the budget presentation are predicated on the rate structure created by the Ordinances attached.

The changes to the rate structures proposed continue the City Council's commitment to assure the long term financial viability and sustainability of the utilities in conjunction with the rate study passed in May of 2011.

If approved as proposed, these rate changes would be effective with bills sent in June.

Attachments *(please list):*

Water Rate Ordinance

Recommendation/Suggested Action *(briefly explain):*

Recommendation to approve Ordinances authorizing changes in the rate structure for the Water Utility for the City of St. Charles effective for billings issued after June 1, 2017.

City of St. Charles, Illinois
Ordinance No. 2017-M-_____

An Ordinance Authorizing Amendment of Title 13 “Public Utilities”, Chapter 13.16, “Water”, Section 13.16.190 “Net Charges for Property with Buildings Connected to System” of the St. Charles Municipal Code

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST. CHARLES, KANE AND DUPAGE COUNTIES, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1. That Title 13 “Public Utilities”, Chapter 13.16 “Water”, Section 13.16.190 “Net Charges for Property with Buildings Connected to System”, of the St. Charles Municipal Code, is hereby deleted in its entirety and in lieu thereof the following language shall be substituted:

“13.16.190 Net Charges for Property with Buildings Connected to System

All property upon which any building has been or may be hereafter erected having a connection with the water system shall pay the following charges:

A. Customer Charge. The following customer charge is for all general service water customers:

Customer Charge

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Per Month</u>
3/4” and under	\$ 8.30
1”	\$ 10.70
1-1/4”	\$ 13.00
1-1/2”	\$ 14.97
2”	\$ 20.21
3”	\$ 32.12
4”	\$ 49.01
7-1/2”	\$ 132.12

B. Water Charge. The following water rates apply to all customers:

Base Water Rate – Three dollars and forty-eight cents (\$3.48) per 1000 gallons.

***Excess Seasonal Water Rate – Five dollars and eighty nine cents (\$5.89) per 1000 gallons.**

***Excess Seasonal Water Rate applies to water use that is billed to the customer starting in the month of June and the next four succeeding months.**

The excess seasonal water rate applies to water used during the above period which is greater than 130 percent of the monthly average of water used during the winter quarter and which is greater than 6,500 gallons per month usage. All other water is billed at the base rate. New customers who have no history of water consumption during the winter quarter will be billed on the basis of actual consumption at the base rate until a winter average is determined.

Section 2. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect ten (10) days from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law; provided, however, that the rates set forth herein shall be effective for the first billing period subsequent to June 1, 2017.

Section 3. That after the adoption and approval hereof this Ordinance shall (i) be printed or published in book or pamphlet form, published by the authority of the Council, or (ii) within thirty (30) days after the adoption and approval hereof, be published in a newspaper published in and with a general circulation within the City of St. Charles.

PRESENTED to the City Council of the City of St. Charles, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois, this 17th day of April, 2017.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of St. Charles, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois, this 17th day of April, 2017.

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of St. Charles, Kane and DuPage Counties, Illinois, this 17th day of April, 2017.

Raymond P. Rogina, Mayor

ATTEST:

Nancy Garrison, City Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE:

Ayes: _____

Nays: _____

Absent: _____