

City Council Agenda Summary Sheet (Non Purchases)

Agenda No: Water/Sewer Rates 2004-0475
Date: May 23, 2004
Prepared By: Julie Jenuwine, Fiscal, x2535
City File No: N/A

Meeting Date: June 2, 2004

PURPOSE:

To approve the recommended water and sewer rate schedule as proposed in the attached ordinance effective July 1, 2004

DISCUSSION:

Each year at this time, the City of Rochester Hills reviews the water and sewer charges to it's customers based on increased costs from Detroit Water and Sewer Department (DWSD). We use the Black & Veatch model to project rates for the water and sewer commodity, customer, and capacity charges as well as the sewer flat rate for sewer only customers. We also update the Industrial Surcharge Rates and the Industrial Waste Control charges from The Oakland County Drain Commission as a pass through to our customers.

The City reviews the meter, taps, hydrant, flow test, and city engineering fees as part of an annual update. The evaluation on these materials is currently being made and a recommendation will be coming forward soon, as the DPS will have up-to-date costs for these materials.

The Water and Sewer Rate changes have been discussed and recommended by the Financial Services Committee over the last few months. A workshop was not held this year.

These changes would go into effect on July 1, 2004 with the September water/sewer bill reflecting the new rates.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

This action will increase water and sewer revenues and include the increases in cost from DWSD.

Staff impact will be minimal requiring the updating of the rates in our water and sewer billing system for the September bills to reflect July and August water and sewer usage.

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend that City Council approve the amended rates and charges as proposed in the attached ordinance effective July 1, 2004.

ATTACHMENTS:

Amended Water & Sewer Ordinance

Department Authorization: Julie Jenuwine

Reviewed by:

Fiscal: *Jean Farris*

Clerks: *Susan Koliba-Galeczka*

Approved by: *Pat Somerville*

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