



CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

August 27, 2013

SUBJECT: Amend the City of Euless Code of Ordinances Chapter 30, "Fees", Section 30-35, "Water & Wastewater Service – Monthly Rates"; Section 30-37, "Monitored Group Class" and Chapter 86, "Utilities", Article II, "Water and Sanitary Sewer Systems", Division I, "Generally", Section 86-26, "Rules, Regulations, Policies and Procedures".

SUBMITTED BY: Janina Jewell, Director of Finance

REFERENCE NO: Ordinance No. 2003

ACTION REQUESTED:

Consider First and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 2003 amending Chapter 30, "Fees", Section 30-35, "Water & Wastewater Service – Monthly Rates" and Section 30-37, "Monitored Group Class" and Chapter 86, "Utilities", Article II, "Water and Sanitary Sewer Systems", Division I, "Generally", Section 86-26, "Rules, Regulations, Policies and Procedures" of the Code of Ordinances.

ALTERNATIVES:

- Modify the request
- Table the request
- Deny the request

SUMMARY OF SUBJECT:

Ordinance No. 2003 amends the fees charged for water service and consumption, reclaimed water use and wastewater service. Proposed rate changes include a 19¢ increase per 1,000 gallons charged for all tiers of residential, commercial, industrial, multi-family, fire hydrant, gas well, and irrigation water meter services. Reclaimed water service rates would increase by 5¢ per 1,000 gallons for non-boosted and "Other" water service customers. Boosted, construction, and gas well meters for reclaimed water would increase 10¢ per 1,000 gallons.

On the wastewater side, proposed rate changes include a 36¢ increase to the volume charge for all customers, including the monitored group class, per 1,000 gallons. As a reminder, residential wastewater charges are capped at 90% of water consumption up to 12,000 gallons.

These fee changes would become effective October 1, 2013.

In addition, Ordinance No. 2003 establishes a requirement regarding reclaimed water usage for all landscape irrigation purposes if, reclaimed water is made available by the City to a property within the City. An exception to the requirement is allowed for residential irrigation of single family homes. The Ordinance also establishes that such usage must be in accordance with all applicable local, state, and federal regulations and would provide for an exemption from the requirements of Drought Contingency Plan's drought restrictions defined in 86-36.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

- Ordinance No. 2003

APPROVED BY:

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City Manager's Office

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City Secretary's Office