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Agenda Item

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Zachary Johnson, Utility Director

DATE: November 2, 2015

RE: Water Rate Ordinance

Issues

Current water rates are insufficient to cover current operating expenditures in the Water Department. Distribution costs have remained steady over the past few years while we have seen a rise in the cost of treatment. Plant maintenance and chemical treatment are two contributing factors to this increase. Additional debt service from the AMI project and other capital improvements make it necessary for a rate adjustment.

Additional revenue from the rate increase will allow the City to begin addressing the delivery point and method of the GNWWC pipeline.

This proposed water rate adjustment will impact the Cameron residential user (5,000 gal) by an additional $5.13 per month. Small commercial users (10,000 gal) will see an increase of $10.18 and large commercial users will see a monthly increase of $27.79.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that Council approve the new water use rate ordinance. Three readings are recommended and will allow for rate to become effective on January 1, 2016.

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AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI REPEALING THE CURRENT WATER RATES AND ESTABLISHING NEW WATER RATES FOR CONSUMERS OF THE CAMERON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

WHEREAS, the City of Cameron owns and operates a water supply, treatment and distribution system as a stand-alone non-profit municipal enterprise to serve the citizens of Cameron, and

WHEREAS, the system must maintain sustainability of operations, which includes meeting increasing for flow and/or quality; and

WHEREAS, the revenue received by the City must be sufficient to treat and deliver water to customers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Repeal the existing subsection (c) of Sec. 12-136, Water Rates, and replace it with a new subsection (c), setting new water rates.

(c) User charges shall be as follows:

Water Rates Effective 01-01-2016

Residential and Commercial

First 1500 gallons……..$12.10

Next 10,500……..$7.73 per 1000 gallons

Next 15,000……..$5.32 per 1000 gallons

Excess……$3.95 per 1000 gallons

Outside City Limits

First 1500 gallons……..$24.20

Next 10,500……..$15.46 per 1000 gallons

Next 15,000……..$10.64 per 1000 gallons

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Excess……$7.90 per 1000 gallons
Minimum Bill……. $24.20

Multiple Dwelling Water

Minimum water charge is $12.10 times the number of units in building.

Clinton County Public Water Supply District #3 (PWSD #3) and WMCC Rate

First 12,000 gallons……$7.78 per 1000 gallons

Next 15,000……. $5.42 per 1000 gallons

Excess……..$4.04 per 1000 gallons

Public Water Supply District #3 (PWSD #3) Resale rate to Public Water Supply District #2 of Caldwell County (PWSD #2).

$4.68 per 1,000 gallons

Minimum Charge is $468.00 per month

Section 2. This ordinance hereby repeals all other ordinances pertaining to all water rates heretofore established for users of water in the City of Cameron, Missouri, and any and all other ordinances inconsistent herewith. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force January 1, 2016.

Section 4. The Mayor is authorized to sign this ordinance approving it on behalf of the City.

Section 5. The City Clerk is hereby directed to attest to the Mayor's signature.

Passed and approved on first reading this 2nd day of November, 2015.
Passed and approved on second reading this 16th day of November 2015.
Passed and approved on third and final reading this 7th day of December 2015.

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Mayor Dennis M. Clark

ATTEST:

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City Clerk/Finance Clerk

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