



Department Source: City Utilities - Sewer/Stormwater

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: March 21, 2016

Re: Amending Chapter 12A of the City Code

## Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for Council consideration an ordinance amending Chapter 12A of the City Code.

## Discussion

The City of Columbia is in the process of implementing new software for the utility billing system. As part of this process, staff has been reviewing ordinances that impact utility billing. Staff has determined that there a number of changes that should be made prior to the implementation of the new utility billing system. Currently, the new system is anticipated to go-live on May 2, 2016. The proposed amendments to Chapter 12A are to clarify processes.

The following are each proposed section changes with a brief discussion of the purpose and reason of the change.

Sec. 12A-151 (d) – Currently, there is not a clear methodology to determine how buildings that have commercial operations on the ground floor and residential units in upper floors are to be charged storm water fees. This proposal provides clarity to staff in how these facilities are to be charged.

Sec. 12A-152 – This section of the code of ordinances has never been used. As it is currently defined, it would be very difficult to administer this section. The proposed change is to eliminate this section and any customer that would apply for a reduction in the storm water charge would present a specific proposal for Council approval.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: No significant impact

Long-Term Impact: No significant impact

## Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

### Vision Impacts:

Primary Impact: Primary, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

### Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Primary, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary



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## [Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Primary, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

### Legislative History

Date	Action
N/A	N/A

### Suggested Council Action

Staff recommends passage of the ordinance.