

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: City Utilities - Water and Light

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: September 3, 2024

Re: Amending Ordinance No. 025735 to Correct a Scrivener's Error

Executive Summary

A scrivener's error was discovered in the ordinance that amended Chapter 27 of the City Code as it relates to water utility rates. Approval of the ordinance will correct the large commercial tier one summer water usage rate in the ordinance.

Discussion

On August 19, 2024, the City Council passed Ordinance No. 025735 (B168-24) that amended Chapter 27 of the City Code as it relates to water utility rates. While updating the water rates in the utility billing system it was discovered that the large commercial tier one summer water usage rate (0 to 70 percent of winter average consumption) did not get amended. The amendment was supposed to change the usage rate from \$3.10 to \$3.22.

Sec. 27-122.2(a)(1) – Large commercial:

Summer water usage:

 Usage of zero (0) to seventy (70) percent of winter average consumption from \$3.10 to \$3.22

An ordinance has been prepared to correct the scrivener's error contained in the ordinance amending Chapter 27 of the City Code as it relates to water rates.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: Estimated \$1.65 million in additional revenues by increasing base fees 4% and usage fees by 4% for tier 1, 4.5% for summer tier 2 and 10% for summer tier 3 Long-Term Impact: Estimated \$1.65 million in additional revenues by increasing base fees 4% and usage fees by 4% for tier 1, 4.5% for summer tier 2 and 10% for summer tier 3

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Reliable and Sustainable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable,

Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable



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Legislative History

Date	BAction
08/19/2024	B168-24: Amending Chapter 27 of the City Code as it relates to
	water utility rates
9/19/2022	B217-22: Amending Chapter 27 of the City Code as it relates to
	water utility rates
9/7/2021	B244-21: Staff recommended this item be withdrawn
8/02/2021	B244-21: Proposed amendments to Chapter 27 of the City Codes
	as it relates to water utility rates
01/22/2019	PH1-19: Proposed amendments to Chapter 27 of the City Codes
	as it relates to water rates
12/17/2018	R199-18: Setting a public hearing: proposed amendments to
	Chapter 27 of the City Code as it relates to water rates

Suggested Council Action

Approval of the ordinance