

Board of County Commissioners November 29, 2022 – Regular Meeting

SUBJECT

Authorization to Advertise and Set a Public Hearing to consider a revision of the Water and Wastewater Rate Fees

Category CONSENT AGENDA

Briefings None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Victor Ortiz, Senior Fiscal Services Manager, ext. 5429

Action Requested

Authorization to advertise and set a public hearing on December 15, 2022 to consider adoption of Resolution R-22-200, establishing revised potable water, reclaimed water and wastewater rates, fees, and other charges for facilities and services furnished or to be furnished by the Manatee County public utilities system for the next five years.

Enabling/Regulating Authority

Section 125.01, Florida Statutes, Chapter 153 and 159, Florida Statutes, Chapter 63-1598, Laws of Florida, as amended, Chapter 2-31, Article IV, Manatee County Code of Ordinances

Background Discussion

The Utilities Department works with outside consultants to complete a rate study to review the water and wastewater rates to ensure adequate funding for operations, capital projects, debt obligations, and cash reserves. The rate study was recently completed and an increase to the Utilities retail and wholesale water and wastewater base and quantity rates is being recommended. The Resolution to be presented on December 15, 2022 will propose the recommended increase and subsequent rates if adopted. The rate increases will provide financial stability, repair and rehabilitation of aging infrastructure, and support its excellent bond ratings.

The agenda item is to advertise and set a public hearing on December 15, 2022

Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Other (if applicable)

Reviewing Attorney

Instructions to Board Records

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Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs