

Regular Workshop – March 23, 2015

Agenda Item 6

Consent Item

Agenda Item: Proposed Ordinance 2015-13, Pass-Through of Manatee County Wholesale Water and Wastewater Rate Increases

Presenter: Public Works Director

Summary: On November 18, 2014, the Manatee County Board of Commissioners enacted Resolution R-14-154 which authorized two consecutive yearly wholesale water and wastewater rate increases. Town Commission direction has been to pass-through Manatee County rate changes to the Town's utility ratepayers, per Town Code. The first Manatee County rate increase was effective on January 1, 2015 and the second will be effective on January 1, 2016.

Ordinance 2015-13 formalizes Town Commission policy direction to pass-through Manatee County rate increases and is placed on the March 23, 2015 Consent Agenda for Commission consideration.

Attachments: 3-13-15 Memo, Assistant Town Manager to Manager;
Regional Water Rate Comparison Survey;
Proposed Ordinance 2015-13;
PRMG Draft Report, Pass-Through of Manatee County Wholesale Water and Wastewater Rate Increases.

Recommended

Action: Approval of the Consent Agenda will forward Ordinance 2015-13 to the April 6, 2015 Regular Meeting for first reading.

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 13, 2015

TO: Dave Bullock, Town Manager
FROM: Anne Ross, PE, Assistant Town Manager
SUBJECT: Proposed Rate Pass-Through of Manatee County Wholesale Water and Wastewater Rate Increases

On November 18, 2014, the Manatee County Board of Commissioners enacted Resolution R-14-154 to increase wholesale water and wastewater rates effective on January 1, 2015. Chapter 51, Sections 51.11 and 51.21 of the Town Code provides for the ability to pass-through wholesale rate increases from Manatee County to the Town utility ratepayers.

Staff has worked with Public Resources Management Group, Inc. (PRMG), the Town's utility rate consultants, to analyze the impact of the wholesale water and wastewater increases. PRMG recommends a minor rate increase to reflect the Manatee County rate increase that became effective on January 1, 2015. The proposed rate revenue increases are 1.8% for water and 2.0% for wastewater (Combined 1.9%). Based on the pass-through calculations as contained in PRMG's report, customers with different usage levels would have different percentage rate increases. The proposed user rate increases are:

- Monthly water service charge 11 cent increase
- Water Usage 9 cent increase per 1,000 gallons
- Monthly wastewater service charge 16 cent increase
- Wastewater Usage 16 cent increase per 1,000 gallons

The Town's rates remain very competitive compared to the surrounding region. Attachment No. 1 presents a bar chart comparing regional water rates as of March 2015. A typical monthly bill increase experienced by a utility customer will be

Current Monthly Utility Bill for 10,000 Gallon Usage	Proposed Monthly Utility Bill for 10,000 Gallon Usage	Equivalent Cost Increase
\$95.78	\$98.07	\$2.29

Notification will be provided to ratepayers advising that the new rates will be implemented on June 1, 2015.

Staff has prepared Ordinance 2015-13 (Attachment No. 2) to pass-through the Manatee County rate increase. A copy of PRMG's report is provided for your review.

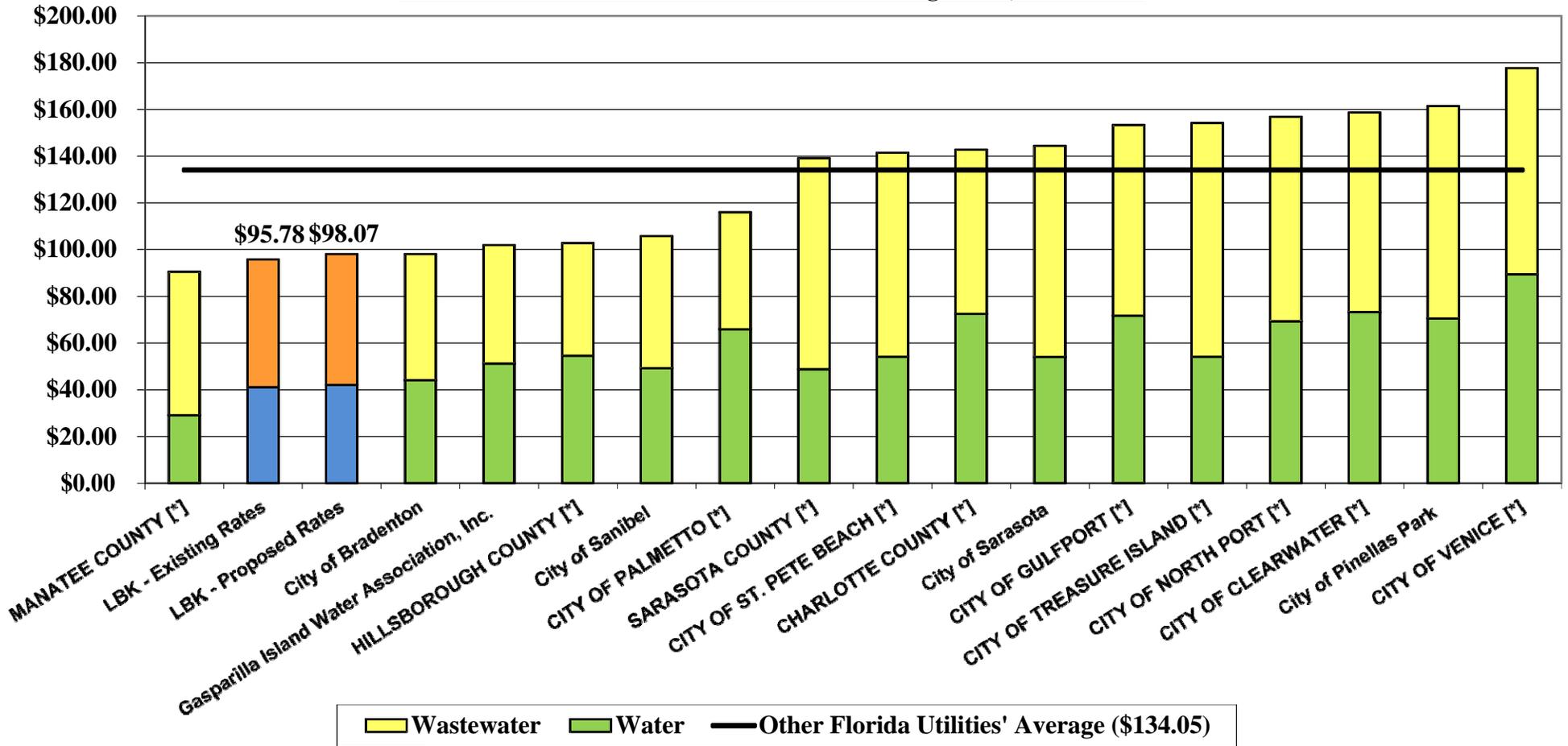
Town staff, utility rate consultants, and our design-build consultant are preparing a study to determine the future rate increase that will be necessary to provide for the second Manatee County rate increase and possibly the subaqueous forcemain project.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

**Bill Comparison
Reflects Rates
Effective as of
March 2015**

**Figure 1
Town of Longboat Key, Florida
Pass-Through of Manatee County Wholesale Water and Wastewater
Rate Increases Effective January 1, 2015**

**Graphical Comparison of Typical Monthly Residential Bills for
Combined Water and Wastewater Service at Usage of 10,000 Gallons**



[*] Utilities in CAPITALIZED letters: i) are involved in rate study; ii) are planning to conduct rate study; or iii) will implement rate revision or price index / pass-through adjustment within twelve months following the comparison preparation date

ORDINANCE 2015-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF LONGBOAT KEY, FLORIDA, ADJUSTING WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 51, CHARGES, RATES AND BILLING OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE TOWN OF LONGBOAT KEY, FLORIDA; APPLYING SECTION 51.11 (B) THE PURCHASE WATER PASS-THROUGH ADJUSTMENT TO RECOVER FROM THE UTILITY CUSTOMERS OF THE TOWN THE INCREASED COSTS FOR POTABLE WATER IMPOSED BY MANATEE COUNTY; APPLYING SECTION 51.21(B) THE WASTEWATER PASS-THROUGH ADJUSTMENT TO; TO RECOVER FROM THE UTILITY CUSTOMERS OF THE TOWN THE INCREASED COSTS FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT IMPOSED BY MANATEE COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Longboat Key receives water and wastewater treatment services from Manatee County; and

WHEREAS, Manatee County enacted an annual wholesale water and wastewater rate increase through Resolution R-14-154 effective January 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission wishes to maintain the financial condition of the Utility Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Town's rate consultant, Public Resource Management Group, Inc. ("PRMG"), has prepared calculations attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A that proposes certain change to the rate structure charged by the Town to customers in order to pass-through the increased costs from the rate increases enacted by Manatee County; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Longboat Key, Town Code, Chapter 51, Sections 51.11 and 51.21 authorize the Town to pass-through the increased rates enacted by Manatee County to the Town's customers; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission finds that it is in the best interest of the public to adopt such pass-through rate increases in the manner proposed by PRMG.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF LONGBOAT KEY, FLORIDA, THAT:

SECTION 1. The above Whereas clauses are true and correct and are hereby ratified and confirmed.

SECTION 2. Chapter 51, Charges, Rates, and Billing, Section 51.11, Water: Rates and Charges, subsection (A) is amended to read as follows:

51.11 Rates and charges.

Monthly user charges shall include for each potable water account: a) a service charge per equivalent living unit; b) a meter / billing charge per meter; c) a usage charge per metered water use; and d) a purchased water pass-through adjustment usage charge.

The rates for all water used through water meters installed shall be due and payable on a monthly basis, commencing the first day of the month, as follows:

(A) Classes of Service.

(1) Residences, apartments, condominiums, mobile homes, hotel/motel, and seasonal furnished rental apartments.

	<u>Effective</u> 11/01/12	<u>Effective</u> 06/01/15
(a) Service charge per month per equivalent living unit	\$11.65	<u>\$11.76</u>
(b) Meter/billing charge per month per meter	\$2.49	<u>\$2.49</u>
(c) Usage charge per 1,000 gallons per month per equivalent living unit:		
0 to 5,000 gallons of usage	\$2.23	<u>\$2.32</u>
5,001 to 10,000 gallons of usage	\$3.16	<u>\$3.25</u>
10,001 to 15,000 gallons of usage	\$4.09	<u>\$4.18</u>
15,001 to 25,000 gallons of usage	\$5.94	<u>\$6.03</u>
25,001 to 50,000 gallons of usage	\$7.79	<u>\$7.88</u>
Over 50,000 gallons of usage	\$9.64	<u>\$9.73</u>

(2) Commercial.

	<u>Effective</u> 11/01/12	<u>Effective</u> 06/01/15
(a) Service charge per month per equivalent living unit	\$11.65	<u>\$11.76</u>
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Commercial users shall be classified as to equivalent living units using one unit per 7,000 gallons per month average annual consumption. Combination users, such as a hotel with restaurant, shall be classified by adding to the number of living units the equivalent living units of the restaurant and shops.

(3) Irrigation or Construction Meters.

	<u>Effective</u> 11/01/12	<u>Effective</u> 06/01/15
(a) Service charge per month per equivalent living unit	\$11.65	<u>\$11.76</u>
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SECTION 3. Chapter 51, Charges, Rates, and Billing, Section 51.21, Sewers: Rates and Charges, subsection (A) is amended to read as follows:

51.21 Rates and charges.

Monthly user charges shall include for each wastewater account: a) a service charge per equivalent living unit; and b) a usage charge based on metered water use. The monthly rates and charges for the services and facilities of the Town's wastewater system shall be as follows:

(A) Classes of Service.

(1) Single Family Residences.

	<u>Effective</u> 11/01/12	<u>Effective</u> 06/01/15
(a) Service charge per month per living unit	\$15.70	<u>\$15.86</u>
(b) Usage charge per 1,000 gallons per living unit of water consumption up to a maximum of 7,000 gallons per living unit per month	\$5.57	<u>\$5.73</u>

(2) All Other Classes.

(a) Service charge per month per equivalent living unit	\$15.70	<u>\$15.86</u>
(b) Usage charge per 1,000 gallons per equivalent living unit of water consumption per month	\$5.57	<u>\$5.73</u>
(c) Commercial wastewater users will be classified in the same manner as for water classification.		

SECTION 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected.

SECTION 5. All Ordinances, parts of Ordinances, or Rates in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. The rates adopted by this Ordinance shall be reflected on the utility bills issued on or after June 1, 2015.

Passed on first reading the _____ day of _____, 2015.

Adopted on second reading and public hearing this ____ day of _____, 2015.

Jack G. Duncan, Mayor

ATTEST:

Trish Granger, Town Clerk

TOWN OF LONGBOAT KEY, FLORIDA



Pass-Through of Manatee County Wholesale Water and Wastewater Rate Increases Effective January 1, 2015

March 23, 2015



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Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Town Commission
Town of Longboat Key
501 Bay Isles Road
Longboat Key, Florida 34228-3196

**Subject: Pass-Through of Manatee County Wholesale Water and Wastewater
Increases Effective January 1, 2015**

On behalf of the Town of Longboat Key (the "Town"), Public Resources Management Group, Inc. (PRMG) has prepared calculations of the pass-through adjustments needed to recover the projected increases in the costs of wholesale service to be incurred by the Town as a result of the increases in Manatee County (the "County") wholesale water and wastewater rates that became effective on January 1, 2015. The County has also adopted additional wholesale water and wastewater rate adjustments by separate resolution that are scheduled to become effective on January 1, 2016. However, PRMG recommends that the Fiscal Year 2016 wholesale rate adjustments be included as a cost component in the rate and financial plan currently being developed for the Town's water and wastewater utility system (the "System") since the implementation of these wholesale rate adjustments is considered to be a future event. PRMG will complete the rate and financial plan once the costs of the Town's subaqueous wastewater force main replacement are finalized.

The following table shows the change in Manatee County wholesale service rates:

	Summary of Increases in Manatee County Wholesale Water and Wastewater Rates			
	Effective November 1, 2012	Effective January 1, 2015	Difference	
			Amount	Percent
<u>Wholesale Water Rates</u>				
Monthly Capacity Charge (\$ / MGD)	\$9,924	\$10,396	\$472	4.8%
Quantity Charge (\$ / kgal)	\$1.59	\$1.67	\$0.08	5.0%
<u>Wholesale Wastewater Rates</u>				
Monthly Capacity Charge (\$ / MGD)	\$15,438	\$16,172	\$734	4.8%
Quantity Charge (\$ / kgal)	\$1.97	\$2.06	\$0.09	4.6%

MGD = million-gallons-per-day
kgal = 1,000 gallons

It should be noted that the January 1, 2015 wholesale service increases by the County are the first adjustments to the Town's rates in over two years. The County currently supplies all of the Town's potable water and treats all of the Town's wastewater. During the Fiscal Year 2014, the cost of wholesale water and wastewater service represented approximately 55.5% of the System's total

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operating expenses (includes indirect or administrative cost reimbursement to General Fund, but does not include depreciation). Because of the magnitude of the level of the wholesale service costs to the total water and wastewater system (the "System") operating expenses and recognizing that the Town has limited alternatives with respect to water supply and wastewater treatment, the pass-through of any wholesale rate increases helps to: i) maintain operating margins such that the System's capital improvement program (CIP) can continue to be funded and the debt capacity of the System is preserved; and ii) minimize any future large single rate adjustments which may be difficult to implement and could eventually result in "rate shock" to the customers. It should also be noted that maintaining margins to preserve, to the extent possible, CIP funding margins is critical to the overall financial health of the System which is a mature utility with the CIP comprising of utility renewals, replacements, rehabilitations and upgrades to the System that benefit existing customers.

The Town Commission of Longboat Key (the "Commission") has historically recognized the importance of passing-through wholesale rate adjustments as part of the financial plan for the System, and has adopted and codified a purchased water and wastewater pass-through adjustment clause in Chapter 51, Sections 11 and 21, respectively, of the Town's Code of Ordinances and has consistently applied the pass-through adjustment to rates over the past several years. Moreover, the pass-through of wholesale rate adjustments has consistently been a recommendation contained in the financial and rate studies performed by PRMG on behalf of the Town.

The wholesale rate increases are considered a permanent and ongoing change to the Town's utility operating costs, and the County is expected to increase the wholesale rates each fiscal year on an ongoing basis during the near-term (e.g., next five fiscal years). As such, PRMG recommends that the Town pass-through the Fiscal Year 2015 Manatee County wholesale rate increases to the System customers to maintain the operating margins and a positive long-term financial position at this time instead of deferring the retail rate adjustments to the future.

Table 1 following this letter contains a summary of the existing and proposed monthly user rates for the Town which reflects the pass-through of the increased wholesale water and wastewater costs. Tables 2 through 4 provide water, wastewater and combined user rate comparisons to illustrate how the existing and proposed rates compare to those of other neighboring utilities. Figure 1 following this letter shows a graphical user rate comparison at a usage of 10,000 gallons, the historical average monthly usage of a single family residential customer in the System. Following these tables and figures is a discussion of the methodology used in developing the pass-through reflected in the proposed user rates. Based on discussions with Town staff, it is proposed that the pass-through rates recover the fixed component (i.e., monthly capacity charges) of the County wholesale rate increases through the Town's monthly service charges per unit and the volumetric component of the wholesale rate increases through the System usage charges per 1,000 gallons.

The existing water and wastewater monthly user rates for the Town were established pursuant to Ordinance 2012-17 approved by the Town Commission on October 1, 2012 and became effective

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for bills rendered on or after December 1, 2012. As set forth herein, the pass-through rates proposed to become effective as soon as practical are anticipated to increase the utility's annual water revenue by 1.8% and the wastewater revenue by 2.0% above revenues estimated to be collected under the rates stated in the Rate Ordinance (combined = 1.9%). Even with the pass-through rate adjustments, the Town's retail water and wastewater rates remain competitive with those of neighboring Florida utilities. As shown in Figure 1, the combined monthly residential water and wastewater bill of \$98.07 at a usage of 10,000 gallons would be \$35.98 or about 27% less than the \$134.05 average of the surveyed utilities (as of March 2015).

We appreciate the opportunity to be of service to the Town and would like to thank the Town staff for their assistance and cooperation during the course of this study.

Respectfully submitted,

Public Resources Management Group, Inc.



Robert J. Ori
President



Bryan A. Mantz, CMC, CGFM
Supervising Consultant

Table 1

**Town of Longboat Key, Florida
Pass-Through of Manatee County Wholesale Water and Wastewater Rate Increases Effective January 1, 2015**

Summary of Existing and Proposed Monthly Water and Wastewater Rates

	Existing Rates Effective December 1, 2012	Calculated Pass-Through Adjustment	Proposed Rates to Become Effective June 1, 2015
WATER RATES			
Service Charge Per Month Per Equivalent Living Unit (ELU) - All Classes [1]	\$ 11.65	\$ 0.11	\$ 11.76
Meter / Billing Charge Per Month Per Meter - All Classes	\$ 2.49	\$ 0.00	\$ 2.49
<u>Monthly Usage Charges Per ELU - Proposed - All Classes</u>	<u>Charge Per 1,000 Gallons</u>	<u>Charge Per 1,000 Gallons</u>	<u>Charge Per 1,000 Gallons</u>
0 to 5,000 Gallons	\$ 2.23	\$ 0.09	\$ 2.32
5,001 to 10,000 Gallons	3.16	0.09	3.25
10,001 to 15,000 Gallons	4.09	0.09	4.18
15,001 to 25,000 Gallons	5.94	0.09	6.03
25,001 to 50,000 Gallons	7.79	0.09	7.88
Over 50,000 Gallons	9.64	0.09	9.73
WASTEWATER RATES			
Service Charge Per Month Per Equivalent Living Unit	\$ 15.70	\$ 0.16	\$ 15.86
<u>Monthly Usage Charges Per ELU - Proposed - All Classes</u>	<u>Charge Per 1,000 Gallons</u>	<u>Charge Per 1,000 Gallons</u>	<u>Charge Per 1,000 Gallons</u>
All Usage [2]	\$ 5.57	\$ 0.16	\$ 5.73

Footnotes:

[1] An equivalent living unit (ELU) is defined in Section 51.02 of the Town's Code of Ordinances, and is a measure of a customer's demand requirements. One ELU is defined as: (i) each single-family dwelling; (ii) each single apartment or condominium; (iii) each single efficiency apartment or mobile home; (iv) each individual dwelling within a duplex; and (v) each single hotel or motel unit. A customer classified as 2.0 ELU's is considered to have twice the demand requirements as a customer classified as 1.0 ELU.

[2] The charges for wastewater service for the single family residential class under both the existing and the proposed rates are capped at 7,000 gallons per ELU. Billing for wastewater service for all other classes has no monthly maximum billing threshold.

Table 2

Town of Longboat Key, Florida
 Pass-Through of Manatee County Wholesale Water and Wastewater Rate Increases Effective January 1, 2015

Comparison of Typical Monthly Residential Bills for Water Service [1]

Line No.	Description	Residential Service for a 5/8" or 3/4" Meter								
		0 Gallons	2,000 Gallons	5,000 Gallons	7,000 Gallons	8,000 Gallons	10,000 Gallons	15,000 Gallons	25,000 Gallons	50,000 Gallons
Town of Longboat Key										
1	Existing Rates	\$14.14	\$18.60	\$25.29	\$31.61	\$34.77	\$41.09	\$61.54	\$120.94	\$315.69
2	Proposed Rates	14.25	18.89	25.85	32.35	35.60	42.10	63.00	123.30	320.30
Other Florida Utilities:										
3	City of Bradenton	\$13.62	\$17.90	\$26.90	\$33.76	\$37.19	\$44.05	\$61.20	\$95.50	\$181.25
4	Charlotte County [2]	21.91	31.33	45.46	56.28	61.69	72.51	106.61	184.21	407.71
5	City of Clearwater [2]	18.60	18.60	33.66	48.72	56.25	73.28	120.78	215.78	453.28
6	Gasparilla Island Water Association, Inc.	25.60	25.60	25.60	35.82	40.93	51.15	76.70	140.70	332.70
7	City of Gulfport [2] [3]	12.36	12.36	32.52	48.18	56.01	71.67	114.87	209.47	445.97
8	Hillsborough County [2]	12.37	19.59	30.42	40.08	44.91	54.57	78.72	139.82	324.17
9	Manatee County [2]	7.96	11.80	17.56	21.88	24.28	29.08	41.08	113.13	329.38
10	City of North Port [2]	17.20	24.54	37.38	48.38	53.88	69.32	115.66	270.74	730.24
11	City of Palmetto [2]	8.20	18.66	35.55	47.21	53.04	65.86	106.52	208.72	464.22
12	City of Pinellas Park	20.91	20.91	34.85	48.79	55.76	70.56	109.61	197.81	424.56
13	City of St. Pete Beach [2] [4]	6.35	15.91	30.25	39.81	44.59	54.15	78.05	125.85	245.35
14	City of Sanibel	13.00	19.60	29.50	37.40	41.35	49.25	72.25	128.00	291.75
15	City of Sarasota	15.77	22.15	32.28	39.78	43.53	54.03	88.14	171.18	476.43
16	Sarasota County [2]	16.07	20.95	28.91	35.07	38.15	48.81	85.93	198.63	506.63
17	City of Treasure Island [2] [4]	6.35	15.91	30.25	39.81	44.59	54.15	78.05	125.85	245.35
18	City of Venice [2]	20.80	29.24	48.74	65.00	73.13	89.39	140.14	241.64	495.39
19	Other Florida Utilities' Average	\$14.82	\$20.32	\$32.49	\$42.87	\$48.08	\$59.49	\$92.14	\$172.94	\$397.15
20	Minimum	6.35	11.80	17.56	21.88	24.28	29.08	41.08	95.50	181.25
21	Maximum	25.60	31.33	48.74	65.00	73.13	89.39	140.14	270.74	730.24

Footnotes:

- [1] Unless otherwise noted, amounts shown reflect residential rates in effect March 2015 are exclusive of taxes, franchise fees or water restriction surcharges, if any, and reflect rates charged for inside the city service. All rates are as reported by the respective utility. This comparison is intended to show comparable charges for similar service for comparison purposes only and is not intended to be a complete listing of all rates and charges offered by each listed utility.
- [2] Utility is currently involved in a rate study, is planning to conduct a rate study, or will implement a rate revision within the next twelve months.
- [3] Utility receives water service from City of St. Petersburg.
- [4] Utility receives water service from Pinellas County.

Table 3

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		0 Gallons	2,000 Gallons	5,000 Gallons	7,000 Gallons	8,000 Gallons	10,000 Gallons	15,000 Gallons	25,000 Gallons	50,000 Gallons
Town of Longboat Key										
1	Existing Rates	\$15.70	\$26.84	\$43.55	\$54.69	\$54.69	\$54.69	\$54.69	\$54.69	\$54.69
2	Proposed Rates	15.86	27.32	44.51	55.97	55.97	55.97	55.97	55.97	55.97
Other Florida Utilities:										
3	City of Bradenton	\$20.13	\$23.79	\$33.74	\$41.86	\$45.92	\$54.04	\$74.34	\$114.94	\$114.94
4	Charlotte County [2]	29.36	37.54	49.81	57.99	62.08	70.26	70.26	70.26	70.26
5	City of Clearwater [2]	25.62	25.62	42.70	59.78	68.32	85.40	128.10	213.50	427.00
6	Gasparilla Island Water Association, Inc.	25.72	25.72	25.72	35.76	40.78	50.82	50.82	50.82	50.82
7	City of Gulfport [2] [3]	15.37	15.37	39.23	56.19	64.67	81.63	126.13	219.23	451.98
8	Hillsborough County [2]	13.49	22.17	35.19	43.87	48.21	48.21	48.21	48.21	48.21
9	Manatee County [2]	18.99	27.47	40.19	48.67	52.91	61.39	61.39	61.39	61.39
10	City of North Port [2]	27.55	39.53	57.50	69.48	75.47	87.45	99.43	99.43	99.43
11	City of Palmetto [2]	15.72	22.10	32.37	39.45	42.99	50.07	57.15	57.15	57.15
12	City of Pinellas Park [2][3]	27.27	27.27	45.45	63.63	72.72	90.90	136.35	227.25	454.50
13	City of St. Pete Beach [2] [3]	26.37	26.37	43.77	61.17	69.87	87.27	130.77	217.77	435.27
14	City of Sanibel	56.50	56.50	56.50	56.50	56.50	56.50	56.50	56.50	56.50
15	City of Sarasota	20.48	33.12	53.20	68.08	75.52	90.40	127.60	202.00	388.00
16	Sarasota County [2]	14.89	29.97	52.59	67.67	75.21	90.29	90.29	90.29	90.29
17	City of Treasure Island [2] [3]	13.20	28.57	55.36	73.22	82.15	100.01	144.66	233.96	457.21
18	City of Venice [2]	23.09	36.13	55.69	68.73	75.25	88.29	120.89	186.09	349.09
19	Other Florida Utilities' Average	\$23.36	\$29.83	\$44.94	\$57.00	\$63.04	\$74.56	\$95.18	\$134.30	\$225.75
20	Minimum	13.20	15.37	25.72	35.76	40.78	48.21	48.21	48.21	48.21
21	Maximum	56.50	56.50	57.50	73.22	82.15	100.01	144.66	233.96	457.21

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- [2] Utility is currently involved in a rate study, is planning to conduct a rate study, or will implement a rate revision within the next twelve months.
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Table 4

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Comparison of Typical Monthly Residential Bills for Combined Water and Wastewater Service [1]

Line No.	Description	Residential Service for a 5/8" or 3/4" Meter								
		0 Gallons	2,000 Gallons	5,000 Gallons	7,000 Gallons	8,000 Gallons	10,000 Gallons	15,000 Gallons	25,000 Gallons	50,000 Gallons
Town of Longboat Key										
1	Existing Rates	\$29.84	\$45.44	\$68.84	\$86.30	\$89.46	\$95.78	\$116.23	\$175.63	\$370.38
2	Proposed Rates	30.11	46.21	70.36	88.32	91.57	98.07	118.97	179.27	376.27
Other Florida Utilities:										
3	City of Bradenton	\$33.75	\$41.69	\$60.64	\$75.62	\$83.11	\$98.09	\$135.54	\$210.44	\$296.19
4	Charlotte County [2]	51.27	68.87	95.27	114.27	123.77	142.77	176.87	254.47	477.97
5	City of Clearwater [2]	44.22	44.22	76.36	108.50	124.57	158.68	248.88	429.28	880.28
6	Gasparilla Island Water Association, Inc.	51.32	51.32	51.32	71.58	81.71	101.97	127.52	191.52	383.52
7	City of Gulfport [2] [3]	27.73	27.73	71.75	104.37	120.68	153.30	241.00	428.70	897.95
8	Hillsborough County [2]	25.86	41.76	65.61	83.95	93.12	102.78	126.93	188.03	372.38
9	Manatee County [2]	26.95	39.27	57.75	70.55	77.19	90.47	102.47	174.52	390.77
10	City of North Port [2]	44.75	64.07	94.88	117.86	129.35	156.77	215.09	370.17	829.67
11	City of Palmetto [2]	23.92	40.76	67.92	86.66	96.03	115.93	163.67	265.87	521.37
12	City of Pinellas Park [2][4]	48.18	48.18	80.30	112.42	128.48	161.46	245.96	425.06	879.06
13	City of St. Pete Beach [2] [5]	32.72	42.28	74.02	100.98	114.46	141.42	208.82	343.62	680.62
14	City of Sanibel	69.50	76.10	86.00	93.90	97.85	105.75	128.75	184.50	348.25
15	City of Sarasota	36.25	55.27	85.48	107.86	119.05	144.43	215.74	373.18	864.43
16	Sarasota County [2]	30.96	50.92	81.50	102.74	113.36	139.10	176.22	288.92	596.92
17	City of Treasure Island [2] [5]	19.55	44.48	85.61	113.03	126.74	154.16	222.71	359.81	702.56
18	City of Venice [2]	43.89	65.37	104.43	133.73	148.38	177.68	261.03	427.73	844.48
19	Other Florida Utilities' Average	\$38.18	\$50.14	\$77.43	\$99.88	\$111.12	\$134.05	\$187.32	\$307.24	\$622.90
20	Minimum	19.55	27.73	51.32	70.55	77.19	90.47	102.47	174.52	296.19
21	Maximum	69.50	76.10	104.43	133.73	148.38	177.68	261.03	429.28	897.95

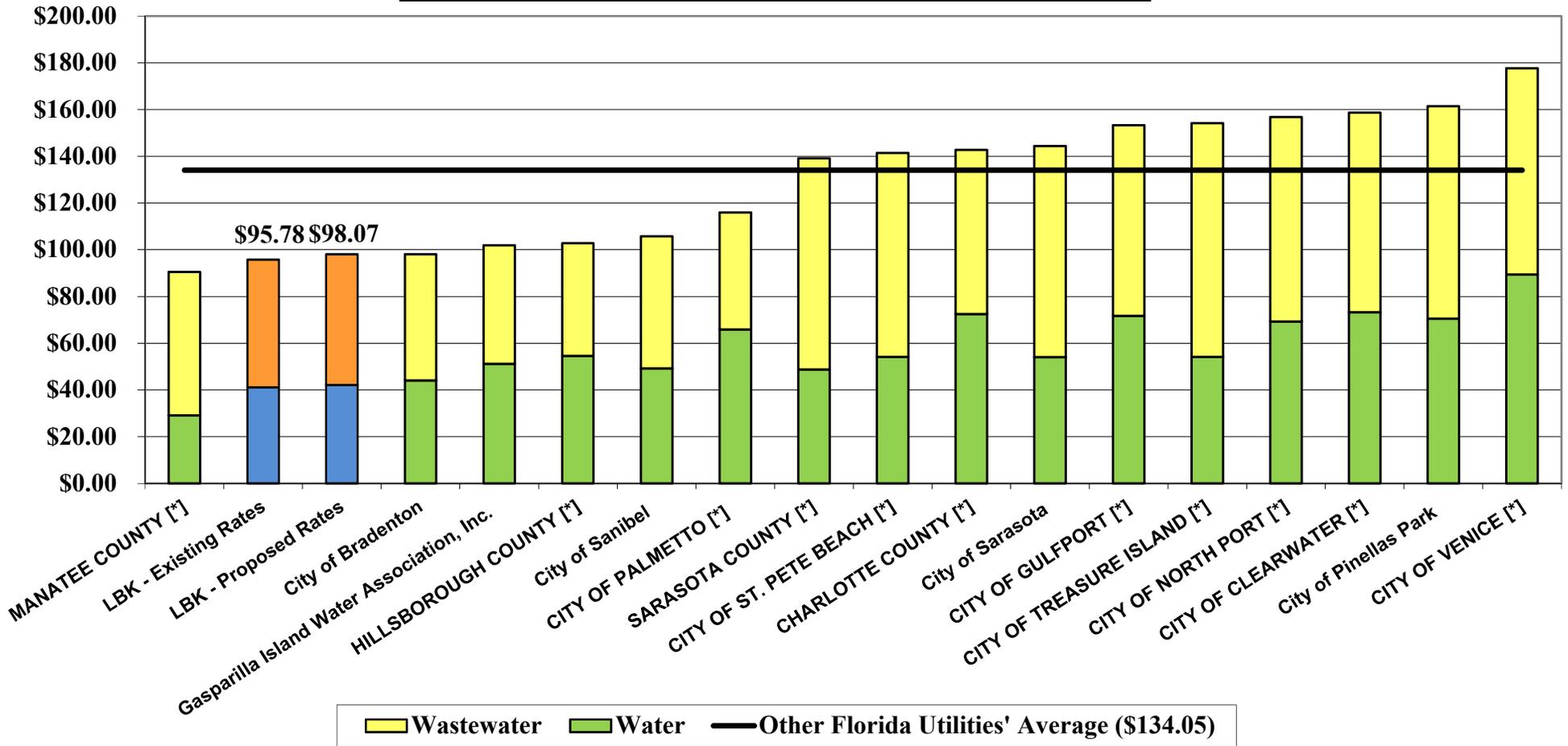
Footnotes:

- [1] Unless otherwise noted, amounts shown reflect residential rates in effect March 2015 are exclusive of taxes, franchise fees or water restriction surcharges, if any, and reflect rates charged for inside the city service. All rates are as reported by the respective utility. This comparison is intended to show comparable charges for similar service for comparison purposes only and is not intended to be a complete listing of all rates and charges offered by each listed utility.
- [2] Utility is currently involved in a rate study, is planning to conduct a rate study, or will implement a rate revision within the next twelve months.
- [3] Utility receives water and wastewater service from the City of St. Petersburg.
- [4] Utility receives wastewater service from the City of St. Petersburg.
- [5] Utility receives water service from Pinellas County and wastewater service from the City of St. Petersburg.

**Bill Comparison
Reflects Rates
Effective as of
March 2015**

**Figure 1
Town of Longboat Key, Florida
Pass-Through of Manatee County Wholesale Water and Wastewater
Rate Increases Effective January 1, 2015**

**Graphical Comparison of Typical Monthly Residential Bills for
Combined Water and Wastewater Service at Usage of 10,000 Gallons**



[*] Utilities in CAPITALIZED letters: i) are involved in rate study; ii) are planning to conduct rate study; or iii) will implement rate revision or price index / pass-through adjustment within twelve months following the comparison preparation date



**METHODOLOGY FOR PASS-THROUGH OF MANATEE COUNTY
WHOLESALE WATER AND WASTEWATER RATE INCREASES
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2015**

To develop the proposed user rates to pass-through the wholesale water and wastewater rate increases from Manatee County (the "County"), the Town utility's operating and financial results for the twelve months ended September 30, 2014 (Fiscal Year 2014) were utilized.

Revenue Under Existing Rates

For the Fiscal Year 2014, the Town reported water user rate revenue of \$3,497,742 and wastewater user rate revenue of \$3,886,261 (combined = \$7,384,003). Effective October 1, 2010 (the beginning of Fiscal Year 2011), the Town's water rates were decreased by 1.5% and the wastewater rates were reduced by 10.5%. Since that time, the Town Commission has consistently passed-through the increases in wholesale rates as adopted by the County. The existing water and wastewater monthly user rates for the Town were established pursuant to Ordinance 2012-17 approved by the Town Commission on October 1, 2012 and became effective for bills rendered on or after December 1, 2012.

Assuming no significant customer growth and similar economic and environmental conditions, water and wastewater user rate revenues have been projected to remain at Fiscal Year 2014 levels. The Town currently has approximately 10,632 water equivalent living units (ELUs) being served by the water system and 10,190 ELUs served by the wastewater system. Total water sold from October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014 to the Town's water utility customers was 556,985,000 gallons and the total billed wastewater flow was 360,148,000 gallons.

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Effect of Manatee County Wholesale Rate Increases on Utility’s Operating Expenses

The following Manatee County wholesale water and wastewater rate increases became effective on January 1, 2015 pursuant to Resolution No. R-14-154 that was adopted by the Manatee County Board of County Commissioners on November 18, 2014:

	Summary of Increases in Manatee County Wholesale Water and Wastewater Rates			
	Effective	Effective	Difference	
	November 1, 2012	January 1, 2015	Amount	Percent
<u>Wholesale Water Rates</u>				
Monthly Capacity Charge (\$ / MGD)	\$9,924	\$10,396	\$472	4.8%
Quantity Charge (\$ / kgal)	\$1.59	\$1.67	\$0.08	5.0%
<u>Wholesale Wastewater Rates</u>				
Monthly Capacity Charge (\$ / MGD)	\$15,438	\$16,172	\$734	4.8%
Quantity Charge (\$ / kgal)	\$1.97	\$2.06	\$0.09	4.6%

MGD = million-gallons-per-day
 kgal = 1,000 gallons

As shown in the preceding table, the wholesale rates consist of: i) a fixed monthly capacity charge that does not vary based on the volume of water purchased or wastewater flow treated; and ii) a quantity or volumetric charge per 1,000 gallons sold. The Town is currently allocated 2.50 million-gallons-per-day (MGD) of water capacity and 2.26 MGD of wastewater capacity by Manatee County. From October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014, the Town reported water purchases of 597,046,000 gallons from Manatee County (1.636 MGD). Also during this same time period, the Town delivered to Manatee County 638,163,000 gallons of sewage (1.748 MGD).

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Based on the Town's reported water purchase statistics, the estimated effect of the wholesale water rate increases on the utility's operating expenses is summarized as follows:

**Summary of Estimated Increase in Water System Operating Expenses
as a Result of Wholesale Water Rate Increases from Manatee County**

Description	Water System		Difference
	Wholesale Rates Effective November 1, 2012	Wholesale Rates Effective January 1, 2015	
<u>Capacity Charges</u>			
Reserve Capacity (MGD)	2.50	2.50	
Monthly Capacity Charge (\$ / MGD)	\$9,924	\$10,396	\$472
Total Monthly Capacity Charges	\$24,810	\$25,990	\$1,180
Total Annual Capacity Charges	\$297,720	\$311,880	\$14,160
<u>Quantity Charges</u>			
Purchases (kgal) for Calculation Period	597,046	597,046	
Rate per kgal	\$1.59	\$1.67	\$0.08
Total Quantity Charges	\$949,303	\$997,067	\$47,764
Excess Demand Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Charges	<u>\$1,247,023</u>	<u>\$1,308,947</u>	<u>\$61,924</u>

MGD = million-gallons-per-day
kgal = 1,000 gallons

As shown in the preceding table, the wholesale water rate increases are projected to increase the System's annual operating expenses by \$61,924 per year. Given the estimated \$3,497,742 in water revenue for Fiscal Year 2015 as discussed previously, the Town's water revenue must increase by 1.8% (\$61,924 / \$3,497,742) to maintain operating margins for the water system.

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Based on the Town's reported wastewater treatment statistics, the effect of the wholesale wastewater rate increases on the utility's operating expenses is summarized as follows:

**Summary of Estimated Increase in Wastewater System Operating Expenses
as a Result of Wholesale Wastewater Rate Increases from Manatee County**

Description	Wastewater System		Difference
	Wholesale Rates Effective November 1, 2012	Wholesale Rates Effective January 1, 2015	
<u>Capacity Charges</u>			
Reserve Capacity (MGD)	2.26	2.26	
Monthly Capacity Charge (\$ / MGD)	\$15,438	\$16,172	\$734
Total Monthly Capacity Charges	\$34,890	\$36,549	\$1,659
Total Annual Capacity Charges	\$418,679	\$438,585	\$19,906
<u>Quantity Charges</u>			
Treated Flow (kgal) for Calculation Period	638,163	638,163	
Rate per kgal	\$1.97	\$2.06	\$0.09
Total Quantity Charges	\$1,257,181	\$1,314,616	\$57,435
Excess Demand Charges	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Charges	<u>\$1,675,860</u>	<u>\$1,753,200</u>	<u>\$77,341</u>

MGD = million-gallons-per-day
kgal = 1,000 gallons

The wholesale wastewater rate increases are projected to increase the System's annual operating expenses by \$77,341 per year. Given the estimated \$3,886,261 in wastewater revenue for Fiscal Year 2015 as discussed previously, the Town's wastewater revenue must increase by 2.0% (\$77,341 / \$3,886,261) to maintain operating margins for the wastewater system.

Design of Pass-Through Water and Wastewater Rates

As discussed in the previous section, it is estimated that the Town's water user rate revenue should be increased by 1.8% to pass-through the wholesale water rate increases, while the wastewater rate revenue should be increased by 2.0% to pass-through the wholesale wastewater rate increases (combined = 1.9%).

Based on discussions with Town staff, it is proposed that the pass-through rates recover the fixed component (i.e., monthly capacity charges) of the Manatee County wholesale rate increases through the Town's monthly service charges per unit and the volumetric component of the wholesale rate increases through the utility's usage charges per 1,000 gallons.

The following table shows the calculated amounts to be added to the Town's service charge per unit and the volumetric charges for both the water system and the wastewater system:

**Summary of Calculated Adjustments to
Town's Monthly Water and Wastewater User Rates**

Description	Water System	Wastewater System
<u>Service Charge Per Unit</u>		
Annual Increase in Manatee County Capacity Charges	\$14,160	\$19,906
Monthly Increase in Manatee County Capacity Charges	\$1,180	\$1,659
Total Monthly ELUs	10,632	10,190
Calculated Increase in Monthly Service Charge Per ELU	\$0.111	\$0.163
Rounded Increase in Monthly Service Charge Per ELU	<u>\$0.11</u>	<u>\$0.16</u>
<u>Usage Charge</u>		
Annual Increase in Manatee County Quantity Charges and Excess Demand Charges	\$47,764	\$57,435
Billable Gallons (000's) [1]	556,985	360,148
Calculated Increase in Usage Charge (per 1,000 gallons)	\$0.086	\$0.159
Rounded Increase in Usage Charge (per 1,000 gallons)	<u>\$0.09</u>	<u>\$0.16</u>

[1] Reflects billable gallons from October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014.

These adjustments are reflected in Table 1 of this letter report.

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RESOLUTION NO. R-14-154

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2015

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, 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; ESTABLISHING REVISED DIRECT CONNECTION FEES AND CHARGES; ESTABLISHING REVISED SECURITY DEPOSITS; ESTABLISHING REVISED CONNECTION FEES; ESTABLISHING REVISED LINE FEES; ESTABLISHING REVISED LINE EXTENSION FEES AND CHARGES; ESTABLISHING REVISED FIRE SERVICE FEES AND CHARGES; ESTABLISHING REVISED UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE FEES AND CHARGES; ESTABLISHING REVISED MISCELLANEOUS FEES AND CHARGES; ESTABLISHING REVISED MONTHLY RETAIL CUSTOMER BASE CHARGES; ESTABLISHING REVISED MONTHLY RETAIL QUANTITY RATES; ESTABLISHING REVISED WHOLESALE POTABLE WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES, FEES, AND CHARGES; PROVIDING DIRECTIONS REGARDING CODIFICATION; REPEALING AND SUPERSEDING PRIOR AND CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Manatee County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, owns and operates the Manatee County public utilities system pursuant to Section 125.01, Florida Statutes, Chapters 153 and 159, Florida Statutes, Chapter 63-1598, Laws of Florida, as amended, Chapter 2-31, Article IV, Manatee County Code of Ordinances, as amended, and other applicable provisions of law, together with resolutions adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-31-103, Manatee County Code of Ordinances, authorizes the county to prescribe, fix, establish and collect fees, rentals or other charges for the facilities and services furnished by the public utilities system on an equitable basis; and

WHEREAS, Sections 2-31-251 through 2-31-269, Manatee County Code of Ordinances, enacted by Ordinance No. 07-62 and amended by Ordinance No. 10-69 and Ordinance No. 14-09, provide for rates, fees, and charges for potable water, reclaimed water, and wastewater facilities and services of the public utilities system; and

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2014, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. R-14-15, which established revised rates, fees, and charges for potable water, reclaimed water, and wastewater facilities and services of the public utilities system; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-31-269, Manatee County Code of Ordinances, provides for annual review of the rates, fees, and charges of the public utilities system and

recommendations for changes to such rates, fees, and charges; and

WHEREAS, county staff has recommended changes to certain rates, fees, and other charges for the facilities and services furnished by the public utilities system, including potable water, reclaimed water, and wastewater; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has reviewed the recommended changes and has determined that the revised rates, fees, and charges set forth in this resolution are fair and equitable and necessary to fund the proper operation of the public utilities system; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-31-103, Manatee County Code of Ordinances, provides that fees, rentals or other charges for the facilities and services of the public utilities system, or any revision of such fees, rentals or other charges, shall be fixed and established by resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners at a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-31-103, Manatee County Code of Ordinances, requires notice of public hearing for such resolution to be published at least once not less than ten (10) days prior to such public hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the county; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-31-103, Manatee County Code of Ordinances, requires the Board of County Commissioners, at the public hearing, to disclose all purposes for which any increased and/or new fees, rentals or other charges will be used; and

WHEREAS, notice of public hearing to consider Resolution No. R-14-154 was duly published in a newspaper of general circulation in Manatee County; and

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2014, the Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing to consider Resolution No. R-14-154; and

WHEREAS, at the public hearing, the Board of County Commissioners disclosed all purposes for which any increased and/or new rates, fees and charges established in Resolution No. R-14-154 will be used; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds that it is in the best interest of the county and the customers of the public utilities system, and the owners and holders of bonds issued to finance the construction of the public utilities facilities, to establish revised rates, fees, and other charges for the facilities and services furnished or to be furnished by the public utilities system, including potable water, reclaimed water, and wastewater.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Direct connection fees and charges.

Pursuant to subsection 2-31-253(a) of the Manatee County Code of Ordinances, the following revised direct connection fees and charges are hereby established:

- (a) \$600.00 per residence for initial period of eight (8) months.

(b) \$100.00 per residence for each additional period of one (1) month.

Section 2. Security deposits.

Pursuant to subsection 2-31-257(a) of the Manatee County Code of Ordinances, the following revised security deposits are hereby established:

(a) Security deposits for metered potable water and/or wastewater accounts.

<u>Meter Size (in inches)</u>	<u>Residential Meter</u>	<u>Commercial Meter</u>	<u>Fire Line/ Irrigation Meter</u>	<u>Master Meter</u>
5/8	\$150.00	\$200.00	\$100.00	\$270.00
3/4	\$200.00	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$300.00
1	\$275.00	\$600.00	\$300.00	\$600.00
1 1/2	\$440.00	\$900.00	\$450.00	\$900.00
2	\$440.00	\$1,200.00	\$600.00	\$1,200.00
3 and larger	N/A	\$600.00 per inch	\$300.00 per inch	\$600.00 per inch

(b) An additional security deposit of \$20.00 per unit will be charged for master metered accounts.

(c) Security deposits for reclaimed water only accounts.

- (1) \$50.00 per single metered unit.
- (2) \$25.00 per master metered unit or two (2) months of estimated bills, whichever is greater.

(d) Security deposits for unmetered wastewater accounts.

- (1) \$150.00 for single-family residential.
- (2) \$300.00 for multifamily residential, plus \$20.00 per unit.
- (3) \$300.00 for commercial, plus \$20.00 per unit for accounts with multiple units.

(e) Security deposits for temporary use meters.

- (1) \$250.00 per 3/4 inch meter.
- (2) \$900.00 per 3 inch meter.

(f) A security bond will be accepted in lieu of cash security deposits exceeding

\$2,000.00 for any accounts.

Section 3. Connection fees.

Pursuant to subsection 2-31-258(a) of the Manatee County Code of Ordinances, the following revised connection fees are hereby established:

(a) Connection to potable water system or reclaimed water system.

<u>Meter Size (in inches)</u>	<u>Developer Installed Service</u>	<u>County Installed Service</u>
5/8 x 3/4	\$300.00	\$675.00
3/4	\$340.00	\$715.00
1	\$360.00	\$735.00
1 1/2	\$485.00	\$860.00
2	\$590.00	\$965.00
3	Actual Cost	Actual Cost
4	Actual Cost	Actual Cost
6	Actual Cost	Actual Cost
8	Actual Cost	Actual Cost
10	Actual Cost	Actual Cost
12	Actual Cost	Actual Cost

(b) In instances where a group of dwelling units is provided wastewater service by a privately owned treatment plant and collection system and it becomes mandatory by Florida Statutes, Florida Administrative Code, or county ordinance to connect to the county wastewater system, or in instances where private wastewater treatment plant owners desire to voluntarily connect, there shall be a one (1) time connection fee of \$500.00 per dwelling unit which has been issued a certificate of occupancy.

Section 4. Line fees.

Pursuant to subsection 2-31-259(a) of the Manatee County Code of Ordinances, the following revised line fees are hereby established:

- (a) Potable water. \$15.00 per front foot up to a maximum of \$3,500.00.
- (b) Reclaimed water. \$15.00 per front foot up to a maximum of \$3,500.00.
- (c) Wastewater. Based on dwelling unit for residential service or meter size for

nonresidential service listed in the applicable schedule below.

(1) Developed properties with metered potable water service.

<u>Meter Size (in inches)</u>	<u>Line Fee</u>
Residential	\$3,500.00 per dwelling unit
5/8 x 3/4	\$3,500.00 per meter
3/4	\$4,000.00 per meter
1	\$6,000.00 per meter
1 1/2	\$11,000.00 per meter
2	\$17,000.00 per meter
3	\$22,000.00 per meter
4	\$34,000.00 per meter
6	\$44,000.00 per meter
8	\$68,000.00 per meter
10	\$78,000.00 per meter

(2) Developed properties with no metered potable water service.

Single-Family Residential	\$3,500.00 per dwelling unit
Class 1 Commercial (based on 6,000 gallons/month)	\$3,500.00 per service
Class 2 Commercial (greater than 6,000 gallons to 10,000 gallons/month)	\$4,000.00 per service
Class 3 Commercial (greater than 10,000 gallons to 25,000 gallons/month)	\$6,000.00 per service
Class 4 Commercial (greater than 25,000 gallons to 75,000 gallons/month)	\$11,000.00 per service
Class 5 Commercial (greater than 75,000 gallons/month)	\$22,000.00 per service
Class 6 Multifamily Residential Mobile Home Park/Travel Trailer Park (based on 3,600 gallons/month)	\$34,000.00 per service

Class 7 Multifamily Residential \$44,000.00 per service
 Condominium/Apartment/Hotel/Motel
 (based on 4,500 gallons/month)

Section 5. Line extension fees and charges.

Pursuant to subsection 2-31-260(a) of the Manatee County Code of Ordinances, the following revised line extension fees and charges are hereby established:

(a) Owners of developed properties benefited by extension of a potable water line shall pay a pro rata share of the actual costs of such potable water line extension.

(b) Owners of developed properties benefited by extension of a reclaimed water line shall pay a pro rata share of the actual costs of such reclaimed water line extension.

(c) Owners of developed properties benefited by a non-assessment wastewater line extension and split parcels (assessed and non-assessed) benefited by a wastewater line extension shall pay the wastewater line extension fees listed in the applicable schedule below.

(1) Developed properties with metered potable water service.

<u>Meter Size</u> <u>(in inches)</u>	<u>Line Fee</u>
Residential	\$3,500.00 per dwelling unit
5/8 x 3/4	\$3,500.00 per meter
3/4	\$4,000.00 per meter
1	\$6,000.00 per meter
1 1/2	\$11,000.00 per meter
2	\$17,000.00 per meter
3	\$22,000.00 per meter
4	\$34,000.00 per meter
6	\$44,000.00 per meter
8	\$68,000.00 per meter
10	\$78,000.00 per meter

(2) Developed properties with no metered potable water service.

Single-Family Residential \$3,500.00 per dwelling unit

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Class 1 Commercial (based on 6,000 gallons/month)	\$3,500.00 per service
Class 2 Commercial (greater than 6,000 gallons to 10,000 gallons/month)	\$4,000.00 per service
Class 3 Commercial (greater than 10,000 gallons to 25,000 gallons/month)	\$6,000.00 per service
Class 4 Commercial (greater than 25,000 gallons to 75,000 gallons/month)	\$11,000.00 per service
Class 5 Commercial (greater than 75,000 gallons/month)	\$22,000.00 per service
Class 6 Multifamily Residential Mobile Home Park/Travel Trailer Park (based on 3,600 gallons/month)	\$34,000.00 per service
Class 7 Multifamily Residential Condominium/Apartment/Hotel/Motel (based on 4,500 gallons/month)	\$44,000.00 per service

Section 6. Fire service fees and charges.

Pursuant to subsection 2-31-261(a) of the Manatee County Code of Ordinances, the following revised fire service fees and charges are hereby established:

(a) Fire hydrant installed in county right-of-way. \$5,000.00 minimum installation charge, or actual cost if greater, when installed or contracted for installation by the county. Road crossings are subject to additional charges. Fire hydrants are not subject to a connection fee.

(b) Fire flow testing \$75.00 per hydrant test

(c) Private fire service for residential, commercial, and industrial metered or unmetered sprinkler and standpipe systems.

<u>Meter or Line Size</u> <u>(in inches)</u>	<u>Monthly Charge</u>
1	\$3.30
1 1/2	\$4.40
2	\$5.75
3	\$8.85
4	\$13.25

6	\$24.30
8	\$37.55
10	\$53.00
12	\$97.15

Section 7. Utility infrastructure fees and charges.

Pursuant to subsection 2-31-262(a) of the Manatee County Code of Ordinances, the following revised utility infrastructure fees and charges are hereby established:

(a) Wet tap.

<u>Tap Size (in inches)</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Retest</u>
2 and smaller	\$300.00	\$75.00
3	\$425.00	\$100.00
4	\$425.00	\$100.00
6	\$475.00	\$100.00
8	\$550.00	\$150.00
10	\$550.00	\$150.00
12	\$650.00	\$150.00

(b) Cut-in tee.

<u>Line Size (in inches)</u>	<u>Fee</u>
smaller than 3	\$100.00
3 and larger	\$200.00

(c) Other tests, including but not limited to, pressure tests, lampings, air testings, and lift stations.

<u>Type of Structure</u>	<u>Test</u>		<u>Retest</u>	
	<u>Potable Water</u>	<u>Reclaimed Water/ Wastewater</u>	<u>Potable Water</u>	<u>Reclaimed Water/ Wastewater</u>
Residential, single-family	\$16.00 per lot	\$20.00 per lot	\$150.00 per test	\$165.00 per test

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Residential, multifamily -- 1 story	\$8.00 per unit	\$10.00 per unit	\$150.00 per test	\$165.00 per test
Residential, multifamily -- 2 or more stories	\$5.00 per unit	\$7.00 per unit	\$150.00 per test	\$165.00 per test
Commercial or industrial	\$300.00 per unit	\$300.00 per unit	\$150.00 per test	\$165.00 per test
Lift station	N/A	\$250.00 per lift station	N/A	N/A
(d)	Inspection of reclaimed water line 3 inches and larger			\$165.00

Section 8. Miscellaneous fees and charges.

Pursuant to section 2-31-263 of the Manatee County Code of Ordinances, the following revised miscellaneous fees and charges are hereby established:

- (a) Service charges for delinquent accounts.
 - (1) Potable water and reclaimed water turn-on or unlock meter \$50.00
 - (2) Late payment fee (failure to pay current bill by due date) 2% of current bill
minimum amount \$5.00
- (b) Service charges for non-delinquent accounts.
 - Potable water, reclaimed water, and wastewater
turn-on or account activation \$25.00
- (c) Service charges for all accounts.
 - (1) Install or remove temporary use meter \$30.00
 - (2) No read charge for temporary use meter \$100.00
 - (3) Cut and plug potable water or wastewater line Actual cost
 - (4) Reconnect potable water or wastewater line Actual cost
 - (5) Reinstall meter \$50.00
 - (6) Decrease in meter size \$30.00
 - (7) Meter test (only if meter does not exceed AWWA standards) \$50.00
 - (8) Broken assembly/lock/tag \$50.00

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(9)	Broken or damaged meter	Actual cost plus \$50.00
(10)	Installation of radio frequency meter	Actual cost plus \$50.00
(11)	Removal of obstruction to read or maintain meter	Actual cost plus \$50.00
(12)	Unauthorized use or meter tampering	Estimated usage plus \$100.00
(13)	Repair of damages caused by other parties	Actual cost
(14)	Research	Actual cost
(15)	Field trip	\$30.00
(d)	Other charges.	
(1)	Dry silver image photos	\$3.00/each
(2)	Engineering prints 24" x 36"	\$3.00/each
(3)	Engineering prints larger than 24" x 36"	\$5.00/each
(4)	Document recording fees	Actual cost

Section 9. Monthly retail customer base charges.

Pursuant to paragraph 2-31-264(a)(1) of the Manatee County Code of Ordinances, the following revised monthly retail customer base charges are hereby established:

(a) Individual meters.

<u>Meter Size</u> <u>(in inches)</u>	<u>Potable Water</u>	<u>Wastewater</u>
5/8 x 3/4	\$8.34	\$19.89
3/4	\$11.28	\$23.50
1	\$17.17	\$45.66
1 1/2	\$31.90	\$88.62
2	\$49.57	\$140.15
3	\$90.80	\$260.41
4	\$149.69	\$432.21

6	\$296.93	\$861.69
8	\$473.64	\$1,377.10
10	\$679.78	\$1,978.39
12	\$1,268.76	\$3,696.37

(b) Residential master meters.

	<u>Potable Water</u>	<u>Wastewater</u>
Single-Family Residential	\$6.27/unit	\$17.95/unit
Condominium/Apartment/Hotel/Motel	\$4.48/unit	\$12.01/unit
Mobile Home Park/Travel Trailer Park	\$3.44/unit	\$9.61/unit

(c) Combined residential potable water line/fire line.

<u>Meter Size (in inches)</u>	<u>Potable Water</u>	<u>Wastewater</u>
3/4	\$8.34	\$19.89
1	\$11.28	\$28.50

(d) Large user. Charges per 1,000,000 gallons of reserve capacity.

<u>Potable Water</u>	<u>Wastewater</u>
\$10,395.00	\$16,171.00

(e) Temporary use meters. Charges per quarter of year.

<u>Meter Size (in inches)</u>	<u>Potable Water</u>	<u>Wastewater</u>
3/4	\$33.83	\$86.69
3	\$148.67	\$420.46

Section 10. Monthly retail quantity rates.

Pursuant to paragraph 2-31-264(b)(1) of the Manatee County Code of Ordinances, the following revised monthly retail quantity rates are hereby established:

(a) Potable water.

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(1) Residential individual meters.

First 6,000 gallons	\$2.01 per 1,000 gallons
Next 9,000 gallons	\$2.51 per 1,000 gallons
Next 5,000 gallons	\$6.03 per 1,000 gallons
Over 20,000 gallons	\$9.06 per 1,000 gallons

(2) Master metered single-family residences.

First 6,000 gallons	\$2.01 per 1,000 gallons multiplied by the number of units
Next 9,000 gallons	\$2.51 per 1,000 gallons multiplied by the number of units
Next 5,000 gallons	\$6.03 per 1,000 gallons multiplied by the number of units
Over 20,000 gallons	\$9.06 per 1,000 gallons multiplied by the number of units

(3) Master metered condominiums/apartments.

First 4,500 gallons	\$2.01 per 1,000 gallons multiplied by the number of units
Next 6,500 gallons	\$2.51 per 1,000 gallons multiplied by the number of units
Over 11,000 gallons	\$6.03 per 1,000 gallons multiplied by the number of units

(4) Master metered mobile home parks/travel trailer parks.

First 3,600 gallons	\$2.01 per 1,000 gallons multiplied by the number of units
Next 5,400 gallons	\$2.51 per 1,000 gallons multiplied by the number of units
Over 9,000 gallons	\$6.03 per 1,000 gallons multiplied by the number of units

(5) Irrigation meters.

- a. 1 inch and smaller – single-family residential, multifamily residential, and

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	commercial.	
	First 5,000 gallons	\$2.01 per 1,000 gallons
	Next 15,000 gallons	\$6.03 per 1,000 gallons
	Over 20,000 gallons	\$9.06 per 1,000 gallons
b.	1 1/2 inch and larger -- multifamily residential, commercial, and industrial.	
	First 5,000 gallons	\$2.01 per 1,000 gallons
	Next 10,000 gallons	\$2.51 per 1,000 gallons
	Next 15,000 gallons	\$3.25 per 1,000 gallons
	Next 30,000 gallons	\$5.00 per 1,000 gallons
	Next 40,000 gallons	\$6.03 per 1,000 gallons
	Over 100,000 gallons	\$9.06 per 1,000 gallons
(6)	Commercial and industrial	\$2.01 per 1,000 gallons
(7)	Large user	\$1.67 per 1,000 gallons
(b)	Reclaimed water.	
(1)	Agricultural facilities including nurseries	\$0.09 per 1,000 gallons
(2)	Large recreational facilities and golf courses	\$0.19 per 1,000 gallons
(3)	Governmental facilities including schools	\$0.31 per 1,000 gallons
(4)	Large commercial, industrial and utility facilities (greater than 500,000 gallons/day)	\$0.31 per 1,000 gallons
(5)	Residential and commercial common areas	\$0.31 per 1,000 gallons
(6)	Master metered residential and commercial	\$0.31 per 1,000 gallons
(7)	Individual metered residential, commercial and industrial	\$0.79 per 1,000 gallons
(c)	Wastewater.	
(1)	Metered customers.	
a.	Potable water. \$4.44 per 1,000 gallons of potable water consumption. Maximum monthly wastewater charge for residential individually metered	

customers is based on 10,000 gallons of potable water consumption.

b. Wastewater only. \$4.44 per 1,000 gallons of metered wastewater.

(2) Unmetered customers.

Single-Family Residential	\$46.55/month
Class 1 Commercial (based on 6,000 gallons/month)	\$46.55/month
Class 2 Commercial (greater than 6,000 gallons to 10,000 gallons/month)	\$64.07/month
Class 3 Commercial (greater than 10,000 gallons to 25,000 gallons/month)	\$106.30/month
Class 4 Commercial (greater than 25,000 gallons to 75,000 gallons/month)	\$250.73/month
Class 5 Commercial (greater than 75,000 gallons/month)	\$490.18/month
Class 6 Multifamily Residential Mobile Home Park/Travel Trailer Park (based on 3,600 gallons/month)	\$25.60/month/unit
Class 7 Multifamily Residential Condominium/Apartment/Hotel/Motel (based on 4,500 gallons/month)	\$32.01/month/unit

Section 11. Wholesale potable water and wastewater rates, fees, and charges.

Pursuant to paragraph 2-31-265(b)(1), paragraph 2-31-265(c)(1), and paragraph 2-31-265(d)(1) of the Manatee County Code of Ordinances, the following revised wholesale potable water and wastewater rates, fees, and charges are hereby established:

(a) Monthly charges per 1,000,000 gallons of reserve capacity.

	<u>Potable Water</u>	<u>Wastewater</u>
All wholesale customers	\$10,396.00	\$16,172.00

(b) Wholesale quantity rates for potable water.

(1) Quantity rate. \$1.67 per 1,000 gallons for all consumption up to the daily reserve capacities.

(2) Excess demand charge. Excess consumption exceeding the daily reserve

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capacity for each day will be billed according to the following rates.

- a. Up to or equal to 20% excess reserve capacity \$3.34 per 1,000 gallons
- b. Excess over 20% of reserve capacity \$5.82 per 1,000 gallons
- (c) Wholesale flow rates for wastewater.
 - (1) Flow rate. \$2.06 per 1,000 gallons up to the daily reserve capacity.
 - (2) Excess demand charge. All excess consumption during a day in which reserve capacity is exceeded will be billed at \$4.14 per 1,000 gallons.

(d) The provisions of Section 2-31-265 of the Manatee County Code of Ordinances are hereby incorporated by reference in this resolution as if fully set forth herein.

Section 12. Directions regarding codification. This resolution shall not be codified in the Manatee County Code of Resolutions.

Section 13. Prior and conflicting resolutions. All prior and conflicting resolutions, including but not limited to Resolution No. R-14-15, shall be repealed, rescinded, superseded, and replaced by this resolution effective January 1, 2015, at 12:01 a.m.

Section 14. Severability. In the event that any provision, portion or section of this resolution is determined to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall in no manner affect the remaining provisions, portions or sections of this resolution which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 15. Effective date. This resolution and the rates, fees, and charges established in this resolution shall become effective January 1, 2015, at 12:01 a.m.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, with a quorum present and voting, on the 18th day of November, 2014.

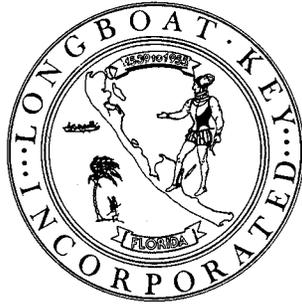
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End of Agenda Item