City of Carroll

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MEMO TO: Mike Pogge-Weaver, City Manager MJP-W

FROM: Randall M. Krauel, Director of Public Works RMK

DATE: February 20, 2017

SUBJECT: Water Rates

Following the first reading of the Water Rate Ordinance on February 13, two additional changes are proposed to the Ordinance. The first was verbally discussed on February 13. It included the change below to Ordinance Section 6, as follows:

92.10 DISCONTINUED, NEW AND RENEWED SERVICE. Customers desiring to discontinue the use of water shall give notice to the City which shall then cause the water to be turned off. Water charges shall be made until the ~~meter is removed~~ ***water is turned off.*** When water service is discontinued, all charges for water shall become due and payable. When water service is desired, a charge shall be made for turning on water. If a meter is removed temporarily because of an owner's absence or danger of meter damage, a charge will be made for renewing service. Charges for new and renewed service shall be $40.00 during regular working hours and $55.00 during off-duty hours.

The second proposed change is to eliminate a conflicting statement in Ordinance Section 4, as follows:

4. Fees. A fee of $40.00 during regular working hours – or $55.00 during off-duty hours – shall be charged before service is restored to a delinquent customer. ~~No fee shall be charged for the usual or customary trips in the regular changes in occupancy of property.~~

The second proposed change is determined to be substantial enough to require introduction of the ordinance and initiation of readings.

RECOMMENDATION: Mayor and City Council consideration, introduction and initiation of the reading procedure for adoption of the Water Rate Ordinance.

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ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CARROLL, IOWA, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO WATER RATES.

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Carroll, Iowa:

SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED. Chapter 92, Section 02, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Carroll, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

92.02 RATES AND SERVICE. Water service shall be furnished at the following monthly rates by the City:

1. All water use except irrigation water service as defined in Subsection 2:

   Rates for water service billed after July 1, 2017.

   A. Minimum charge of $5.00 per account per month.
   B. The first 200 cubic feet of water used per month, $2.57 per 100 cubic feet.
   C. The next 600 cubic feet of water used per month, $2.52 per 100 cubic feet.
   D. The next 1,900 cubic feet of water used per month, $2.42 per 100 cubic feet.
   E. All over 2,700 cubic feet of water used per month, $2.36 per 100 cubic feet.

2. Water service shall be furnished at the following monthly rates for irrigation water service by the City:

   For irrigation water service billed after July 1, 2017.

   A. Minimum charge of $5.00 per account per month.
   B. All water used per month, $3.42 per 100 cubic feet.

Irrigation water service is defined as metered water that is primarily for outdoor use including, but not limited to, irrigation; use that does not include a sanitary sewer service charge; and use for which the wastewater is not discharged into the sanitary sewer system.

Meter rates shall be figured on the nearest ten (10) cubic feet.

SECTION 2. SECTION MODIFIED. Chapter 92, Section 03, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Carroll, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

92.03 BULK WATER SALES. Water obtained at a fire hydrant, hauled by others, shall be furnished at the rate as follows:

For bulk water sales after July 1, 2017.

1. During regular working hours, $5.90 per 1,000 gallons plus $40.00 per call-out, with a minimum charge of $45.90.

2. During off-duty hours, $5.90 per 1,000 gallons plus $55.00 per call-out, with a minimum charge of $60.90.

SECTION 3. SECTION MODIFIED. Chapter 92, Section 04, Subsection 7, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Carroll, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

For temporary water service after July 1, 2017.

7. Water service under this section shall be furnished at the following rate: $42.00 (lump sum) for a period not to exceed 90 days from the date of the new service connection to the water system and will be billed with the building permit for the applicable structure.

SECTION 4. SECTION MODIFIED. Chapter 92, Section 7, Subsection 4, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Carroll, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

Fees for restoration of discontinued service after July 1, 2017.

4. Fees. A fee of $40.00 during regular working hours – or $55.00 during off-duty hours – shall be charged before service is restored to a delinquent customer

SECTION 5. SECTION MODIFIED. Chapter 92, Section 09 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Carroll, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

92.09 DEFECTIVE METER. Should a meter owned by the City become defective and fail to register properly, the customer will be charged at the average consumption for a corresponding time as shown by the meter when in order. Meter accuracy testing costs referenced in Section 91.09 shall be $40.00.

SECTION 6. SECTION MODIFIED. Chapter 92, Section 10, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Carroll, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

92.10 DISCONTINUED, NEW AND RENEWED SERVICE. Customers desiring to discontinue the use of water shall give notice to the City which shall then cause the water to be turned off. Water charges shall be made until the water is turned off. When water service is discontinued, all charges for water shall become due and payable. When water service is desired, a charge shall be made for turning on water. If a meter is removed temporarily because of an owner's absence or danger of meter damage, a charge will be made for renewing service. Charges for new and renewed service shall be $40.00 during regular working hours and $55.00 during off-duty hours.

SECTION 7. SECTION MODIFIED. Chapter 92, Section 11, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Carroll, Iowa, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

92.11 SERVICE CALLS. Service calls or requests for service may be provided at a fee of $40.00 for each hour of regular time, or any part thereof, and $55.00 for each hour of off-duty hours, with a minimum of one hour for either.

SECTION 8. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. If any section, provision or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof adjudged not invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 9. WHEN EFFECTIVE. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Passed and adopted by the Carroll City Council this _____ day of _____, 2017.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF CARROLL, IOWA

By: _____
Eric P. Jensen, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____
Laura A. Schaefer, City Clerk

First Reading: _____

Second Reading: _____

Third Reading: _____

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. _____ on the _____day of _____, 2017.

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Laura A. Schaefer, City Clerk