

# STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: March 11, 2025

#### TITLE:

Consider and act on the second reading of Ordinance 2025-08 of the City of Bastrop, Texas updating and amending Bastrop Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10, Article 10.02, entitled "Impact Fees", amending impact fees for water and wastewater utilities, and providing for an effective date.

### **AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:**

Submitted by: Sylvia Carrillo- Trevino, ICMA-CM, CPM, City Manager

## **BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

Impact fees are defined by Chapter 395 of the Texas Local Government Code as:

"a charge or assessment imposed by a political subdivision against new development in order to generate revenue for funding or recouping the costs of capital improvements or facility expansions necessitated by and attributable to the new development."

The last Impact Fee study was adopted on July 26, 2022. City staff has been working with Newgen Strategies and Solutions, LLC to evaluate the City's current impact fee schedule. Newgen previously appeared at the October 22, 2024, City Council meeting to review how these fees are calculated and their findings.

Planning projects indicated new residential and nonresidential development will continue and will place ever-increasing demands on the City to provide necessary public facilities and those demands should be satisfied by more equitably assigning responsibility for financing the provision of such facilities from the public at large to the developments' creating the demand for them and not to impose an unfair burden on the residents of the City.

The amount of the impact fee to be imposed shall be determined by the cost of the additional public facilities needed to support such development, which public facilities shall be identified in a capital improvements program.

Newgen recommends setting the maximum impact per service unit equal to a  $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch connection using the 50% credit method for both water and wastewater impact fees or: 4MGD expansion =  $\frac{8}{503}$  and 6 MGD Expansion =  $\frac{8}{505}$ .

There are no updates recommended for Water Impact Fee CIP and Land Use Assumptions.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Sylvia Carrillo-Trevino, City Manager, recommends approving the second reading of Ordinance No. 2025-08 of the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas, updating and amending Bastrop Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10, Article 10.02, entitled "Impact Fees", amending impact fees for water and wastewater utilities, and providing for an effective date.

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Ordinance No. 2025-08