



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: July 12, 2022

TITLE:

Hold public hearing and consider action to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-18 of the City of Bastrop, Texas updating and amending Bastrop Code of Ordinances, Chapter 13, Article 13.12, entitled "Impact Fees", updating the land use assumptions, capital improvement plan and amending impact fees for water and wastewater utilities, providing for an effective date; and move to include on the July 26, 2022, agenda for a second reading.

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:

Tracy Waldron, Chief Financial Officer

BACKGROUND/HISTORY:

The last Impact Fee study was adopted on August 11, 2020. Due to the nature of the capital projections in the Water and Wastewater utility, an annual review of the impact fees is necessary with an update considered, to make sure that we are passing on to the developers their share of the capacity in these new facilities. The major change from the 2020 report to this updated report is the estimate of probable cost for the water treatment plant that will be built at the XS Ranch location and additional water projects that came out of the Water Master Plan completed in May 2022. After contracting with Freese & Nichols to design a water plant, the costs have increased significantly from the original estimate received in 2018. These increases relate to additional wells, transmission lines, and inflation.

City staff will continue to update the impact fees annual until the cost of these large projects are solidified and under contract.

As required by Chapter 395 of the Local Government Code, the Impact Fee Study was presented to the Impact Fee Advisory Committee at a meeting held May 26, 2022. This board voted unanimously to recommend approval of the amended Impact Fees as presented.

Texas Local Government Code chapter 395.052 requires a political subdivision imposing an impact fee to update the land use assumptions and capital improvements plan at least every five years. The initial five-year period begins on the day the capital improvements plan is adopted.

RECOMMENDATION:

Tracy Waldron, CFO recommends approval of the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-18 of the City of Bastrop, Texas updating and amending Bastrop Code of Ordinances, Chapter 13, Article 13.12, entitled "Impact Fees", updating the land use assumptions, capital improvement plan and amending impact fees for water and wastewater utilities, providing for an effective date; and move to include on the July 26, 2022, agenda for a second reading.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Ordinance No. 2022-18 (Including Exhibit A-E)
- Minutes from Impact Fee Advisory Board May 26, 2022, meeting