



COBURG CITY COUNCIL ACTION/ISSUE ITEM

TOPIC: Premier RV Water Service

Meeting Date: May 9th 2023

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REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

- For Discussion Only.
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POLICIES OR CITY COUNCIL GOAL(S) ADDRESSED

2023-24 City Council Goals:

- Fiscal Stewardship
 - Utilities, Equipment, and Infrastructure
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BACKGROUND

Paul Williams has asked for City Council to pay to have water extended to his property at the cost of the City. He has provided letters to you and has stated that there is almost 20yrs of history of the City promising that we would provide a water service to his Premier RV Resort located on the East side of I-5. Water currently sits approximately 80ft from his property line. After asking for quotes from vendors on the cost of materials and adding in the cost for Public Work's labor, it would cost the City around \$15,000. We do most of the materials in inventory for this water service, which could reduce the cost \$5,000. **THESE COSTS ARE AN APPROXIMATE.** The owner is willing to purchase the meter at \$3,544.00

We are currently waiting on a Wetlands Permit that would allow us to work in the area of this water service location. This could be as late as August. The truth regarding this is we have no idea as to when this permit will be issued.

Normally the Public Works charges \$2,500 for installing a water service with the option for additional time and material. We also inform anyone that requests a service that if they choose to have Public Works do this that they are on the schedule of the Department which can have lead times of months, or they have the option to have it done themselves at the cost of a contractor of their choosing.

LEGAL REVIEW

Staff reviewed the water ordinance and then asked legal to do the same for direction as to whether Premier RV was responsible for taking the line from the bore to their property line. The ordinance states the following:

Ordinance A-224 - 4.7 Connection Required. When a city water main is made available and operative in a public right-of-way or easement abutting property within the city limits, all occupied buildings or structures shall connect with the city water within 90 days from notification of availability by the City.

As the City Water Main is 80 ft. from the property line, it was the conclusion of legal that the City could provide the service up to the property line within the guidelines of the ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Council continues discussion, and then makes a decision on whether you would like to have Public Works extend the waterline at no cost to property owner, or defer the cost of time and material to the property owner.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

N/A

ALTERNATIVES

- Council can give direction by motion to staff to install the waterline
 - Council can give direction by motion to defer to property owner to have the water line installed at his cost.
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ATTACHMENTS

1. Letter sent to City Council by Premier RV Paul Williams
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REVIEWED THROUGH

Anne Davies, City Attorney

Anne Heath, City Administrator