

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING A RESIDENTIAL UTILITY BILLING ASSISTANCE
PILOT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the City Council of Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois, has the authority to adopt resolutions and to promulgate rules and regulations that pertain to its government and affairs and protect the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois also has the authority to adopt policies which pertain to its government and affairs, and which will protect the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crest Hill has continued to raise water rates in anticipation of the City's transition to Lake Michigan water in the year 2030; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that due to unexpected events, such as broken water lines or other issues, residents may experience unusually high water bills due to these continuous flow events; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crest Hill also recognizes that temporary financial issues may occasionally affect a resident's ability to timely pay a utility bill; and

WHEREAS, in those instances a continuous flow event has caused an unusually high water bill or a temporary financial issue affects a resident's ability to timely pay a utility bill, the resident may be in jeopardy of having water to the property shut off; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities have determined to explore ways in which the City of Crest Hill can work with residents to assist in dealing with these temporary issues; and

WHEREAS, the City's Staff have drafted a Residential Water Billing Assistance Pilot Program ("Pilot Program"), attached hereto as Exhibit A, and which has been reviewed by the Corporate Authorities; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities have determined to approve the Pilot Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it Resolved by the City Council of the City of Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois, pursuant to its statutory authority, as follows:

SECTION 1: PREAMBLE. The City Council hereby finds that all the recitals contained in the preamble to this Resolution are true, correct, and complete and are hereby incorporated by reference thereto and made a part hereof.

SECTION 2: PILOT PROGRAM ADOPTED. The Residential Water Billing Assistance Pilot Program, attached hereto as Exhibit A, is hereby approved and adopted and shall be placed as general information on the City's Website.

SECTION 3: SEVERABILITY. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Resolution is held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution.

SECTION 4: REPEALER. All ordinances, resolutions or orders, or parts thereof, which conflict with the provisions of this Resolution, are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

SECTION 5: EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval, as provided by law.

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PASSED THIS 8TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2026.

	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Alderman Scott Dyke	_____	_____	_____	_____
Alderman Angelo Deserio	_____	_____	_____	_____
Alderwoman Claudia Gazal	_____	_____	_____	_____
Alderman Darrell Jefferson	_____	_____	_____	_____
Alderperson Tina Oberlin	_____	_____	_____	_____
Alderman Mark Cipiti	_____	_____	_____	_____
Alderman Nate Albert	_____	_____	_____	_____
Alderman Joe Kubal	_____	_____	_____	_____
Mayor Raymond R. Soliman	_____	_____	_____	_____

Christine Vershay-Hall, City Clerk

APPROVED THIS 8TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2026.

Raymond R. Soliman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Christine Vershay-Hall, City Clerk

EXHIBIT A
(RESIDENTIAL WATER
BILLING ASSISTANCE
PILOT PROGRAM)