

CITY OF HARTFORD CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date:January 22, 2024Department:Administration/DPWSubmitted By:RoxAnn Rodney-Isbrecht, ClerkPrepared By:RoxAnn Rodney-Isbrecht, ClerkAgenda Title:Voluntary Well Metering

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The City has been approached by a City & Township flat rate sewer customer about metering their well under the assumption that usage would reduce the amount they are billed per/month. I have attached a memo from the former City Manager presented to Council July 11, 2023 for your reference.

Each customer has a different situation:

The City resident does not have access to water lines in front of the property.

The cost to extend/ install water lines in that area has been estimated at a cost of \$200,000 - \$350,000. This extension was included in the DWAM Grant/Loan application the City applied for but was not funded. At this time the City does not have the resources to take on this project but will continue to prioritize the project based on opportunities & resources in the future.

The Township resident has access to tap into the city's water system; a line is available in front of the property.

There are about 75 flat rate sewer customers in the City & Township. The City's water/sewer ordinances do not specifically address the metering of wells. Administration is seeking direction from Council.

If Council chooses to offer flat rate customers voluntary well metering it is recommended you adopt an ordinance and policies and procedures that would require customers who choose to enroll in the program, purchase a meter from the City. Installation must meet City specification & costs of installation are at the customer's expense. A City lawn meter would need to be purchased in order to receive credit for outside water usage.