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1.0 Executive Summary

1.1 Project Background

1898 & Co., a part of Burns & McDonnell, was engaged by the Village of Homewood, IL (the Village) to conduct a water rate study (the Study) for the Village's water system. The Village is beginning the implementation of a lead service line replacement program. One goal of this Study was to evaluate funding options to pay for lead service line and other needed capital improvements, as well as ongoing operating costs. The Study developed an eleven-year financial plan and evaluated changes to the existing rate structure to recover costs.

1.2 Industry Trends in Water Rates

Many factors impact the cost of providing municipal water service. One universal funding challenge for most municipal water utilities involves implementing and sustaining adequate renewal and replacement of aging infrastructure, particularly water mains. Other dynamics typically include compliance with regulatory requirements, inflation on operating and capital costs, and a general trend in declining consumption, which is often associated with more efficient fixtures and appliances and greater awareness of water conservation. Each utility is different, and the relative importance of these dynamics will vary by utility. However, there is no doubt that water rate increases have substantially outpaced general inflation in the United States. The United States Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) tracks many facets of inflation, including the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U) which measures inflation at the household level. The BLS also tracks an index for combined household water and sewer costs. Figure 1-1 compares changes in both of these BLS data series.

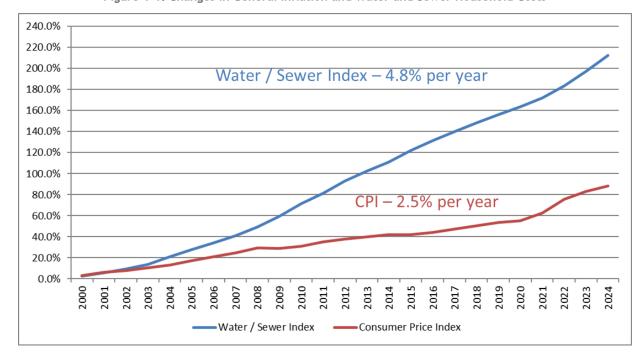


Figure 1-1: Changes in General Inflation and Water and Sewer Household Costs

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Since 2000 the water and sewer index has increased nearly 5.0 percent per year, while CPI's annual rate of change is about 2.5 percent per year.

Every utility is unique, and the dynamics impacting rates can vary widely. However, awareness of national household water costs provides important context when reviewing water utility financial plans.

1.3 Project Approach

To meet the project objectives, 1898 & Co. completed the Study with an approach that is grounded in the principles established by the American Water Works Association (AWWA) M1 Rate Manual.

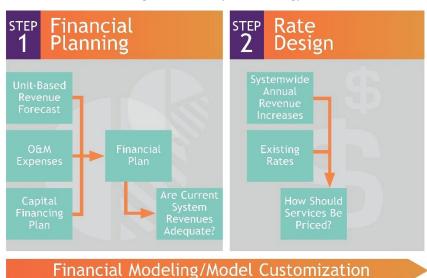


Figure 1-2: Study Methodology

Step 1: Financial Planning provides an indication of the adequacy of the revenue generated by current rates. The results of the financial forecast analysis answer the questions "Are the existing rates adequate?" and "If not, what level of overall revenue increase is needed?" The Financial Planning Analysis is presented in section 2.0 of this report.

Step 2: Rate Design provides for the required revenue recovery. Once the overall level of revenue required is identified and customer class responsibility for that level of revenue is determined, schedules of rates for each rate class are developed that will generate revenues accordingly. The Rate Design Analysis is detailed in Section 3.0 of this report.

1.4 Financial Planning

Financial planning assumptions are described in Section 2.0 of this report. The proposed financial plan was evaluated based on the following guidelines:

- Mitigate rate shock through levelized increases where possible, rather than implemented intermittent large increases
- Provide adequate reserves
 - Operating Reserve minimum of 90 days of operation and maintenance expense
 - Capital Reserve to provide further liquidity in the execution of projects
- Use debt to:
 - Fund critical water infrastructure such as water main replacement and the replacement of the Central water tower, and
 - To minimize rate increases and achieve a minimum of 1.25x debt service coverage

Proposed revenue increases for retail water rates are shown in Table 1-1.

Table 1-1: Proposed Retail Water Revenue Increases

Propose	d Annual
Revenue	Increases
2026	7.75%
2027	7.75%
2028	7.75%
2029	7.75%
2030	7.75%
2031	7.75%
2032	7.75%
2033	7.75%
2034	7.75%
2035	6.00%

As detailed in Section 2.3.3 and 2.3.4, in addition to the revenue increases shown in Table 1-1, debt issuance is an important part of the funding of future water infrastructure. Potential future debt issues include:

- Loans through the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency that are forecasted to occur annually to fund lead service line replacement. These loans have been subsidized with 0.0 percent interest rates over 30 years, and the potential for a portion of the principal to be forgiven.
- Assumed revenue bond issuance in 2026, 2029 and 2033 that, together with cash funding, will help fund the Central water tower replacement and water main replacement.

In the development of the financial plan, assumptions were necessary regarding future conditions that impact projected water revenue increases. As a result, there are risks (i.e. ways in which revenue increases may be higher than proposed in Table 1-1), and opportunities (i.e. ways in which revenue increases may be lower than proposed in Table 1-1) inherent in the cash flow projections.

Risks include:

- Reduced funding for IEPA loans, which could limit the availability of loans from IEPA, the primary
 funding mechanism anticipated for lead service line replacement. It is currently assumed IEPA will be
 able to provide 0% interest loans for all lead service line project costs.
- Periods of higher inflation on operating costs (3.2 percent assumed) or project costs (5.0 percent assumed, excluding lead service lines)
- Higher interest rates on debt including IEPA loans (0.0 percent assumed) and other potential bonds (4.5 percent assumed)

Opportunities include:

- Principal forgiveness on IEPA lead service line loans. No principal forgiveness has been relied upon in the development of future cash flows.
- Potential for 40-year loans on IEPA lead service line loans, which are currently assumed to be 30 years.
- Regulatory relief in the form of additional time beyond 2035 to complete the lead service line replacement.
- Potential non-home rule sales tax being approved by the Village. If approved, it is possible the non-home
 rule sales tax proceeds could be used to back the issuance of debt to assist in funding lead service lines.
 No sales tax proceeds have been assumed in the development of future cash flows.

1.5 Proposed Retail Water Rates

The primary focus of Rate Design is to develop a five-year projection of retail water rates that generates revenues to achieve the proposed revenue increases in Table 1-1 and improve fixed cost recovery.

Table 1-2 shows the existing and proposed water rates. The Village's existing Inside Village water rates include a fixed charge of \$3.66 per month and a volumetric charge of \$10.97 for each 1,000 gallons of water use. These rates are charged to all applicable classes including sprinkler accounts. Outside Village rates are structured identically and reflect a 1.5x multiplier over Inside Village rates. Water rates applicable to schools and churches are also structured identically to Inside Village rates and reflect a 25 percent discount.

Proposed rates shown in Table 1-2 for 2026 through 2030 reflect a structural change in the monthly fixed charge, which is proposed to increase in accordance with meter size. A fixed fee that increases by meter size is a common structure and will help the utility improve the amount of revenue derived from fixed charges. Volumetric fees sustain the existing structure, to be billed for each 1,000 gallons of water usage. The Outside Village multiplier of 1.5x and the schools and churches discount of 25% are proposed to continue.

Retail rates developed for 2026 reflect the structure change in the fixed fee, with the volumetric fee then set to produce the indicated overall 7.75 percent revenue increase. Retail rates proposed for 2027 through 2030 reflect a proportionate increase in all retail user charges of 7.75 percent, in alignment with the overall systemwide increase proposed each year. It is proposed that the Village adopt the first two years of proposed rates for 2026 and 2027 and then re-evaluate the systemwide increases proposed for subsequent



years to confirm they still reasonably reflect funding needs. At that point, the outcome of the risks and opportunities discussed in this section may be more certain, and refinement in the financial plans may be warranted.

Table 1-2: Existing and Proposed Water Rates

Line		Meter	Existing			Proposed		
No.	<u>Description</u>	<u>Size</u>	2025	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>	2028	<u>2029</u>	<u>2030</u>
1	Proposed Annual Water Rate Increa	ases		7.75%	7.75%	7.75%	7.75%	7.75%
	Inside Village Customers							
2	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	5/8 & 3/4	\$ 3.66	\$ 3.94	\$ 4.25	\$ 4.58	\$ 4.93	\$ 5.31
3	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1	\$ 3.66	\$ 5.52	\$ 5.95	\$ 6.41	\$ 6.91	\$ 7.45
4	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1.5	\$ 3.66	\$ 7.09	\$ 7.64	\$ 8.23	\$ 8.87	\$ 9.56
5	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	2	\$ 3.66	\$ 11.43	\$ 12.32	\$ 13.27	\$ 14.30	\$ 15.41
6	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	3	\$ 3.66	\$ 43.34	\$ 46.70	\$ 50.32	\$ 54.22	\$ 58.42
7	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	4	\$ 3.66	\$ 55.16	\$ 59.43	\$ 64.04	\$ 69.00	\$ 74.35
8	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	6	\$ 3.66	\$ 82.74	\$ 89.15	\$ 96.06	\$ 103.50	\$ 111.52
9	Volume Charge (\$/1,000 Gal.) *		\$ 10.97	\$ 11.74	\$ 12.65	\$ 13.63	\$ 14.69	\$ 15.83
	Outside Village Customers							
10	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	5/8 & 3/4	\$ 5.49	\$ 5.91	\$ 6.38	\$ 6.87	\$ 7.40	\$ 7.97
11	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1	\$ 5.49	\$ 8.28	\$ 8.93	\$ 9.62	\$ 10.37	\$ 11.18
12	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1.5	\$ 5.49	\$ 10.64	\$ 11.46	\$ 12.35	\$ 13.31	\$ 14.34
13	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	2	\$ 5.49	\$ 17.15	\$ 18.48	\$ 19.91	\$ 21.45	\$ 23.12
14	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	3	\$ 5.49	\$ 65.01	\$ 70.05	\$ 75.48	\$ 81.33	\$ 87.63
15	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	4	\$ 5.49	\$ 82.74	\$ 89.15	\$ 96.06	\$ 103.50	\$ 111.53
		6	\$ 5.49	\$ 124.11	\$ 133.73	\$ 144.09	\$ 155.25	\$ 167.28
16	Volume Charge (\$/1,000 Gal.) *		\$ 16.46	\$ 17.61	\$ 18.98	\$ 20.45	\$ 22.04	\$ 23.75
	Schools and Churches							
17	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	5/8 & 3/4	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.96	\$ 3.19	\$ 3.44	\$ 3.70	\$ 3.98
18	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1	\$ 2.75	\$ 4.14	\$ 4.46	\$ 4.81	\$ 5.18	\$ 5.59
19	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1.5	\$ 2.75	\$ 5.32	\$ 5.73	\$ 6.17	\$ 6.65	\$ 7.17
20	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	2	\$ 2.75	\$ 8.57	\$ 9.24	\$ 9.95	\$ 10.73	\$ 11.56
21	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	3	\$ 2.75	\$ 32.51	\$ 35.03	\$ 37.74	\$ 40.67	\$ 43.82
22	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	4	\$ 2.75	\$ 41.37	\$ 44.57	\$ 48.03	\$ 51.75	\$ 55.76
23	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	6	\$ 2.75	\$ 62.06	\$ 66.86	\$ 72.05	\$ 77.63	\$ 83.64
24	Volume Charge (\$/1,000 Gal.) *		\$ 8.23	\$ 8.81	\$ 9.49	\$ 10.22	\$ 11.02	\$ 11.87

Notes:

Sprinker rate is the same as Inside Village Schools and churches discount is 25% Outside Village rates are 1.5x Inside Village

Changes in rate structure can have different impacts on different users based on their meter size and monthly water usage. Table 1-3 shows the residential water customer bill impact on various usage amounts to demonstrate the impact of the proposed rates. These computations reflect 5/8" meters, the dominant meter size for a residential connection. Most residential customers will experience an increase in 2026 ranging from 7.0 percent to 7.75 percent, which is a function of the structural change in fixed charges. For the average 4,000 gallon user, the increase will amount to \$3.36 in 2026. For years 2027 through 2030, increases will be a uniform 7.75%, reflecting the systemwide increase applied to both the fixed and volumetric user charges.



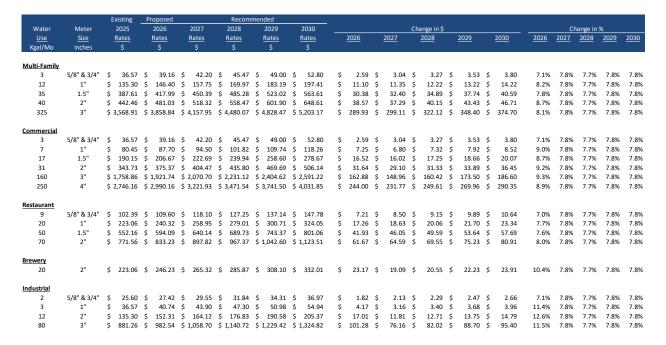
^{*} The 2025 Inside Village water rate was amended to \$11.29 per 1,000 gallons to reflect changes in the price of water supply from Chicago Heights in March 2025. This change also impacts the Outside Village and Schools and Churches 2025 rates.

Table 1-3: Residential Water Bill Impact

	Percent	Е	xisting			Pi	roposed													
Billable	of Bills		2025	2026	2027		2028	2029	2030			Ch	nange in \$				Cł	ange in	%	
Flow	in 2024		<u>Rates</u>	Rates	Rates		Rates	Rates	Rates	<u> 2026</u>	2027		2028	2029	2030	<u>2026</u>	2027	2028	2029	<u>2030</u>
Kgal/Mo			\$	\$	\$		\$	\$	\$											
Residential																				
0	5.93%	\$	3.66	\$ 3.94	\$ 4.25	\$	4.58	\$ 4.93	\$ 5.31	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.31	\$	0.33	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.38	7.7%	7.9%	7.8%	7.6%	7.7%
1	11.43%	\$	14.63	\$ 15.68	\$ 16.90	\$	18.21	\$ 19.62	\$ 21.14	\$ 1.05	\$ 1.22	\$	1.31	\$ 1.41	\$ 1.52	7.2%	7.8%	7.8%	7.7%	7.7%
2	17.34%	\$	25.60	\$ 27.42	\$ 29.55	\$	31.84	\$ 34.31	\$ 36.97	\$ 1.82	\$ 2.13	\$	2.29	\$ 2.47	\$ 2.66	7.1%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
3	18.94%	\$	36.57	\$ 39.16	\$ 42.20	\$	45.47	\$ 49.00	\$ 52.80	\$ 2.59	\$ 3.04	\$	3.27	\$ 3.53	\$ 3.80	7.1%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
4	15.95%	\$	47.54	\$ 50.90	\$ 54.85	\$	59.10	\$ 63.69	\$ 68.63	\$ 3.36	\$ 3.95	\$	4.25	\$ 4.59	\$ 4.94	7.1%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
5	11.14%	\$	58.51	\$ 62.64	\$ 67.50	\$	72.73	\$ 78.38	\$ 84.46	\$ 4.13	\$ 4.86	\$	5.23	\$ 5.65	\$ 6.08	7.1%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
6	7.13%	\$	69.48	\$ 74.38	\$ 80.15	\$	86.36	\$ 93.07	\$ 100.29	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.77	\$	6.21	\$ 6.71	\$ 7.22	7.1%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
7	4.43%	\$	80.45	\$ 86.12	\$ 92.80	\$	99.99	\$ 107.76	\$ 116.12	\$ 5.67	\$ 6.68	\$	7.19	\$ 7.77	\$ 8.36	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
8	2.55%	\$	91.42	\$ 97.86	\$ 105.45	\$	113.62	\$ 122.45	\$ 131.95	\$ 6.44	\$ 7.59	\$	8.17	\$ 8.83	\$ 9.50	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
9	1.59%	\$	102.39	\$ 109.60	\$ 118.10	\$	127.25	\$ 137.14	\$ 147.78	\$ 7.21	\$ 8.50	\$	9.15	\$ 9.89	\$ 10.64	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
10	0.97%	\$	113.36	\$ 121.34	\$ 130.75	\$	140.88	\$ 151.83	\$ 163.61	\$ 7.98	\$ 9.41	\$	10.13	\$ 10.95	\$ 11.78	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
11	0.68%	\$	124.33	\$ 133.08	\$ 143.40	\$	154.51	\$ 166.52	\$ 179.44	\$ 8.75	\$ 10.32	\$	11.11	\$ 12.01	\$ 12.92	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
12	0.42%	\$	135.30	\$ 144.82	\$ 156.05	\$	168.14	\$ 181.21	\$ 195.27	\$ 9.52	\$ 11.23	\$	12.09	\$ 13.07	\$ 14.06	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
13	0.28%	\$	146.27	\$ 156.56	\$ 168.70	\$	181.77	\$ 195.90	\$ 211.10	\$ 10.29	\$ 12.14	\$	13.07	\$ 14.13	\$ 15.20	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
14	0.22%	\$	157.24	\$ 168.30	\$ 181.35	\$	195.40	\$ 210.59	\$ 226.93	\$ 11.06	\$ 13.05	\$	14.05	\$ 15.19	\$ 16.34	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
15	0.17%	\$	168.21	\$ 180.04	\$ 194.00	\$	209.03	\$ 225.28	\$ 242.76	\$ 11.83	\$ 13.96	\$	15.03	\$ 16.25	\$ 17.48	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
16	0.13%	\$	179.18	\$ 191.78	\$ 206.65	\$	222.66	\$ 239.97	\$ 258.59	\$ 12.60	\$ 14.87	\$	16.01	\$ 17.31	\$ 18.62	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
17	0.14%	\$	190.15	\$ 203.52	\$ 219.30	\$	236.29	\$ 254.66	\$ 274.42	\$ 13.37	\$ 15.78	\$	16.99	\$ 18.37	\$ 19.76	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
18	0.07%	\$	201.12	\$ 215.26	\$ 231.95	\$	249.92	\$ 269.35	\$ 290.25	\$ 14.14	\$ 16.69	\$	17.97	\$ 19.43	\$ 20.90	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
19	0.07%	\$	212.09	\$ 227.00	\$ 244.60	\$	263.55	\$ 284.04	\$ 306.08	\$ 14.91	\$ 17.60	\$	18.95	\$ 20.49	\$ 22.04	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
20	0.05%	\$	223.06	\$ 238.74	\$ 257.25	\$	277.18	\$ 298.73	\$ 321.91	\$ 15.68	\$ 18.51	\$	19.93	\$ 21.55	\$ 23.18	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%

Table 1-4 shows the impact of proposed rates on other classes of users. Due to the wide variety of meter sizes and usage levels, Table 1-4 shows the common meter sizes for each class, and the average use of that meter size within the class. Note in 2026 the percentage increase in most bills is higher than the system average of 7.75 percent, which is a function of the change in the fixed fee. As was the case with residential bill impacts, bills shown for 2027 through 2030 increase at a uniform 7.75%, reflecting the systemwide increase applied to both the fixed and volumetric user charges.

Table 1-4: Non-Residential Water Bill Impact





1.6 Residential Regional Bill Comparison

Figure 1-3 shows a residential regional bill comparison including the Homewood's existing rates and proposed 2026 water rates. Note that Homewood's average residential water bill slips to the right in the survey; however, other communities will in all likelihood be increasing rates over time. As noted earlier, nationwide annual household water costs have been increasing about 5 percent per year. If the survey average in Figure 1-3 increased 5 percent in 2026, it would increase to \$50.04/month, and with Homewood aligned reasonably well with the average.

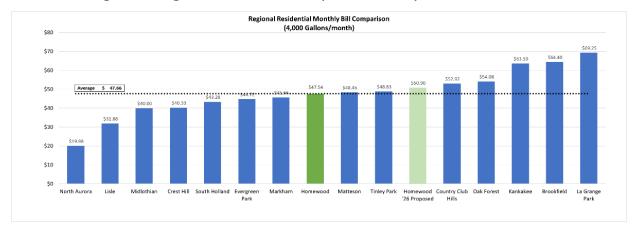


Figure 1-3: Regional Residential Bill Comparison with Proposed Homewood 2026

1.7 Recommendations

We recommend:

- The Village adopt the proposed 2026 and 2027 water rates.
- During FY 2027, reevaluate the systemwide increases proposed for 2028 and beyond to confirm they still reasonable reflect funding needs.
- As a part of this reevaluation, consider the supplemental rate designs in Section 4.0 Appendix Alternate Rate Designs that further improved fixed cost recovery starting in 2028.



2.0 Financial Planning Analysis

2.1 Introduction

The primary issue addressed in the Financial Planning Analysis is revenue sufficiency. The results of the Financial Planning Analysis answer the questions:

- Are the existing rates adequate?
- If not, what level of overall revenue increase is needed?

To determine if revenues under the existing rates are sufficient to meet the Village's future operating and capital costs, 1898 & Co. prepared an eleven-year financial projection of revenues and expenditures for the water utility. A comparison of projected revenues and expenditures provides insight into the sufficiency of overall revenue levels.

Our approach to Financial Planning involves the following basic steps:

- 1. Project revenues under existing rates.
- 2. Project water utility expenditures, including operating and capital costs.
- 3. Develop an eleven-year financial plan.

The planning period includes the current fiscal year (FY) 2025 as a budget year and a forecast period that extends through FY 2035. The Village's fiscal year ends on April 30, and the projected periods in the financial plan recognize the same fiscal year.

2.2 Water Utility Revenues under Existing Rates

The first step in the Financial Plan Analysis was to project revenues under the existing schedule of rates. To complete this step an analysis of water customers, volumes, and revenues was performed.

2.2.1 Historical and Projected Customers and Volumes

Table 2-1 presents the historical and projected water customers and consumption by customer class served by the Village. Based on discussion with Village staff, customer counts and usage are assumed to remain consistent with historical 2024 levels.



Table 2-1: Historical and Projected Water Accounts and Volume

Line		Historical						Projected					
No.	Description	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035
	Accounts												
1	RESIDENTIAL	6,058	6,058	6,058	6,058	6,058	6,058	6,058	6,058	6,058	6,058	6,058	6,058
2	MULTI-FAMILY	339	339	339	339	339	339	339	339	339	339	339	339
3	COMMERCIAL	319	319	319	319	319	319	319	319	319	319	319	319
4	RESTAURANT	46	46	46	46	46	46	46	46	46	46	46	46
5	BREWERY	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
6	INDUSTRIAL	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13
7	Outside Village	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8	OTHER	49	49	49	49	49	49	49	49	49	49	49	49
9	Total Accounts	6,826	6,826	6,826	6,826	6,826	6,826	6,826	6,826	6,826	6,826	6,826	6,826
	Water Use (KGal)												
10	RESIDENTIAL	281,629	281,630	281,630	281,630	281,630	281,630	281,630	281,630	281,630	281,630	281,630	281,630
11	MULTI-FAMILY	62,909	62,910	62,910	62,910	62,910	62,910	62,910	62,910	62,910	62,910	62,910	62,910
12	COMMERCIAL	62,052	62,050	62,050	62,050	62,050	62.050	62,050	62,050	62,050	62,050	62,050	62,050
13	RESTAURANT	19,278	19,280	19,280	19,280	19,280	19,280	19,280	19,280	19,280	19,280	19,280	19,280
14	BREWERY	238	240	240	240	240	240	240	240	240	240	240	240
15	INDUSTRIAL	2,896	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900
16	Outside Village	-	-	-	-	-	-	=	-	-	-	-	-
17	OTHER	7,269	7,270	7,270	7,270	7,270	7,270	7,270	7,270	7,270	7,270	7,270	7,270
18	Total Billed Volume	436,271	436,280	436,280	436,280	436,280	436,280	436,280	436,280	436,280	436,280	436,280	436,280

2.2.2 Existing Water Rates

The existing water rate schedule is shown in Table 2-2. Note that the 2025 Inside Village volumetric rate was amended to \$11.29 per 1,000 gallons to reflect changes in the price of water supply from Chicago Heights. This change also impacts the volumetric rates for Sprinklers, Schools and Churches, and Outside Village. The water rate consists of a monthly fixed fee and a monthly volumetric charge per thousand gallons (kgal) of water used. Standard and sprinkler rates are priced the same, while schools and churches reflect a 25 percent discount. Outside Village rates are 1.5 times the Inside Village rates.

Table 2-2: Existing 2025 Water Rates

Standard Minimum Charge / Administrative Fee Volume per 1,000 gal	\$ \$	3.66 10.97
<u>Sprinkler</u>		
Minimum Charge / Administrative Fee	\$	3.66
Volume per 1,000 gal	\$	10.97
Schools & Churches (Discounted)		
Minimum Charge / Administrative Fee	\$	2.75
Volume per 1,000 gal	\$	8.23
Outside Village		
Minimum Charge / Administrative Fee	\$	5.49
Volume per 1,000 gal	\$	16.46

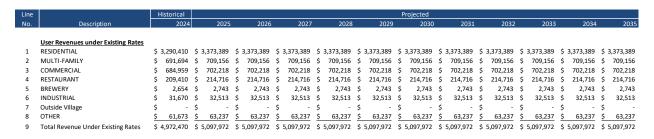
2.2.3 User Revenues under Existing Rates

The projection of user charge revenues was estimated based on the forecasted accounts and volumes factored by the schedule of 2025 water rates.



As shown in Table 2-3, water user charge revenues under existing rates are assumed to remain steady during the study period reflecting the projection of stable accounts and volume.

Table 2-3: Historical and Projected Water User Revenues



2.3 Water Utility Expenditures

Typically, a municipal water utility's primary cash expenditures include the following direct operating and capital costs:

- Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Expenses
- Capital Improvement Program Expenditures (CIP)
- Debt Service Principal and Interest Payments

Each of these cash obligations is described further below.

2.3.1 O&M Expenses

Table 2-4 presents the recent water O&M expense history and the projection of water system O&M expenses through the 2035 planning period. Expenses summarized in Table 2-4 reflect operating costs only; costs related to capital projects are excluded from this table and are addressed in the next section of this report.

The water utility has full responsibility for water acquisition and water distribution costs, and partial responsibility for water / sewer meters & lift stations and utilities administration. In the water allocation column, the percentage applicable to water is noted. For costs not allocated 100 percent to water, the remaining percentage allocation is applicable to the sewer utility.

In general, projected O&M expenses are anticipated to increase from budgeted 2025 amounts about 3.2 percent per year, reflecting a 4 percent per year inflation on personnel- related costs and 3 percent on all other costs. A notable exception is the forecast for East Hazel Crest water purchases on Line 14, which is increasing in accordance with the demand estimates for the new casino.

Table 2-4: Historical and Projected Water Operation and Maintenance Expenses

Line No.	Description	Water Allocation	2022	Historical 2023	2024	Budgeted 2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Proje 2030	ected 2031	2032	2033	2034	2035
110.	WATER ACQUISITION 331															
1 2	FULL TIME OVERTIME WATER ACQUISITION	100%	27,073 310	30,621 2,556	98,700 949	86,404 250	89,900 300	93,500 300	97,200 300	101,100 300	105,100 300	109,300 300	113,700 300	118,200 300	122,900 300	127,800 300
3	LONGEVITY	100%	190	190	475	475	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500
4	GROUP INSURANCE	100%	6,683	6,420	35,891	22,620	23,500	24,400	25,400	26,400	27,500	28,600	29,700	30,900	32,100	33,400
5 6	CONTRACTING/CONSULTING SERVICES LAB SERVICE	100% 100%	15,903 2,505	6,153 7,841	3,550 16,443	17,400 16,000	17,900 16,500	18,400 17,000	19,000 17,500	19,600 18,000	20,200 18,500	20,800 19,100	21,400 19,700	22,000 20,300	22,700 20,900	23,400 21,500
7	BUILDING REPAIRS	100%	11,118	7,066	3,264	3,500	3,600	3,700	3,800	3,900	4,000	4,100	4,200	4,300	4,400	4,500
8	ENERGY OPERATING SUPPLIES	100%	68,377	87,040 27,601	110,562 26,151	100,000 20,000	103,000 20,600	106,100 21,200	109,300 21.800	112,600 22,500	116,000 23,200	119,500 23,900	123,100 24,600	126,800 25,300	130,600 26,100	134,500 26,900
10	LAB SUPPLIES	100%	14,334		907	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
11	MATERIALS & CHEMICALS	100%	1,443	1,731	9,220	10,000	10,300	10,600	10,900	11,200	11,500	11,800	12,200	12,600	13,000	13,400
12 13	WATER PURCHASED - FLOSSMOOR	100% 100%	2,555,975	2,394,145 103,598	2,056,561 1.425.651	1,810,562 1,258,720	1,862,916 1,295,117	1,919,632 1,334,546	1,976,348 1,373,976	2,037,428 1,416,439	2,098,507 1.458.902	2,159,586 1,501,365	2,225,028 1,546,861	2,290,470 1,592,357	2,360,275 1,640,885	2,430,080 1.689.414
14	WATER PURCHASED - EHC	100%		-	57,269	154,308	193,631	269,259	277,214	285,782	294,349	302,916	312,096	321,275	331,066	340,858
15	TOTAL WATER ACQUISITION		2,703,911	2,674,962	3,845,593	3,501,238	3,638,763	3,820,137	3,934,239	4,056,748	4,179,558	4,302,767	4,434,384	4,566,302	4,706,727	4,847,552
	WATER DISTRIBUTION 332															
16	FULL TIME	100%	266,115	306,118	271,565	251,230	261,300	271,800	282,700	294,000	305,800	318,000	330,700	343,900	357,700	372,000
17 18	OVERTIME WATER DISTRIBUTION LONGEVITY	100% 100%	54,743	29,631	32,973	120,000 1,265	124,800	129,800	135,000 1,500	140,400	146,000	151,800	157,900	164,200 2,000	170,800 2,100	177,600 2,200
19	PART TIME	100%	2,475	1,650	2,475	- 1,203	1,300	1,400	- 1,300	1,600	1,700	1,800	1,900			
20	GROUP INSURANCE	100%	73,373	74,546	94,380	117,507	122,200	127,100	132,200	137,500	143,000	148,700	154,600	160,800	167,200	173,900
21 22	WORKERS COMPENSATION CONTRACTING/CONSULTING SERVICES	100% 100%	10,537	20,887 15,285	- 15,315	11,600 20,000	12,100 20,600	12,600 21,200	13,100 21,800	13,600 22,500	14,100 23,200	14,700 23,900	15,300 24,600	15,900 25,300	16,500 26,100	17,200 26,900
23	BLACK DIRT	100%	1,320	1,330	2,375	5,000	5,200	5,400	5,600	5,800	6,000	6,200	6,400	6,600	6,800	7,000
24	DUMP CHARGES	100%	25,350	32,016	31,495	35,000	36,100	37,200	38,300	39,400	40,600	41,800	43,100	44,400	45,700	47,100
25 26	OPERATING SUPPLIES MATERIALS & CHEMICALS	100% 100%	41,341	63,843	58,963 3,413	55,000 5,000	56,700 5,200	58,400 5,400	60,200 5,600	62,000 5,800	63,900 6,000	65,800 6,200	67,800 6,400	69,800 6,600	71,900 6,800	74,100 7,000
27	ASPHALT	100%	8,740	13,532	12,203	7,500	7,700	7,900	8,100	8,300	8,500	8,800	9,100	9,400	9,700	10,000
28	STONE (INTERNAL)	100%	20,406	27,379	13,316	36,670	37,800	38,900	40,100	41,300	42,500	43,800	45,100	46,500	47,900	49,300
29 30	CONCRETE (CONTRACTED) OPERATING EQUIPMENT	100% 100%	31,000	31,000 3,682	32,193 2,097	40,000 2,500	41,200 2,600	42,400 2,700	43,700 2,800	45,000 2,900	46,400 3,000	47,800 3,100	49,200 3,200	50,700 3,300	52,200 3,400	53,800 3,500
31	HYDRANT PARTS-REPAIR & REPLACEMENT	100%	20,863	16,875	22,361	2,500	2,600	2,700	2,800	2,900	3,000	3,100	3,200	3,300	3,400	3,500
32 33	VALVE PARTS FOOD ALLOWANCE	100% 100%	2,329 138	6,885 178	9,865 536	10,000 500	10,300 500	10,600 500	10,900 500	11,200 500	11,500 500	11,800 500	12,200 500	12,600 500	13,000 500	13,400 500
34	TOTAL WATER DISTRIBUTION	100%	558,730	644,837	605,525	721,271	748,200	776,000	804,900	834,700	865,700	897,800	931,200	965,800	1,001,700	1,039,000
35	WATER SEWER METERS & LIFT STATIONS 334 FULL TIME	50%	115.634	107,733	77,792	74,175	77,100	80,200	83,400	86,700	90,200	93,800	97,600	101,500	105,600	109.800
36	OVERTIME METERS & LIFT STATION	50%	4,007	10,859	1,826	9,500	9,900	10,300	10,700	11,100	11,500	12,000	12,500	13,000	13,500	14,000
37	LONGEVITY	50%	760	760	475	475	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500
38 39	GROUP INSURANCE UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	50% 50%	27,128 6,577	26,138 5,987	30,105 8,774	23,500 8,750	24,400 9,100	25,400 9,500	26,400 9,900	27,500 10,300	28,600 10,700	29,700 11,100	30,900 11,500	32,100 12,000	33,400 12,500	34,700 13,000
40	CONTRACTING/CONSULTING SERVICES	50%	1,546	2,124	1,195	5,000	5,200	5,400	5,600	5,800	6,000	6,200	6,400	6,600	6,800	7,000
41	OUTSIDE CONTRACTING	50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
42 43	LARGE METER TEST PROGRAM EQUIPMENT RENTAL	100% 50%									-					
44	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE & REPAIR	50%	5,981	4,135	9,158	12,500	12,900	13,300	13,700	14,100	14,500	14,900	15,300	15,800	16,300	16,800
45 46	WATER MAIN LEAK DETECTION BUILDING REPAIRS	100% 50%	-	-	- 158	500	500	500	- 500	500	- 500	500	- 500	- 500	500	- 500
47	ENERGY	50%	26,696	27,072	33,185	30,000	30,900	31,800	32,800	33,800	34,800	35,800	36,900	38,000	39,100	40,300
48	DEPRECIATION EXPENSE	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
49 50	PUMP & LIFT STATIONS SUPPLIES OPERATING SUPPLIES	50% 50%	8,501 1.162	6,395 1,270	2,514 1,165	16,000 1,500	16,500 1.500	17,000 1,500	17,500 1.500	18,000 1,500	18,500 1.500	19,100 1.500	19,700 1,500	20,300 1.500	20,900 1,500	21,500 1.500
51	OPERATING EQUIPMENT	50%	5,602	4,873	9,220	5,000	5,200	5,400	5,600	5,800	6,000	6,200	6,400	6,600	6,800	7,000
52	METERS NEW CONSTRUCTION	100%	-	3,235	2,056	5,500	5,700	5,900	6,100	6,300	6,500	6,700	6,900	7,100	7,300	7,500
53 54	METER PARTS METER REPLACEMENTS	100% 100%	4,945 9,089	4,973 4,749	5,136 20,373	500 65,000	500 67,000	500 69,000	500 71,100	500 73,200	500 75,400	500 77,700	500 80,000	500 82,400	500 84,900	500 87,400
55	WATER METER TESTING	100%	2,350		2,893	4,000	4,100	4,200	4,300	4,400	4,500	4,600	4,700	4,800	4,900	5,000
56	TOTAL WATER SEWER METERS & LIFT STATIONS		219,976	210,301	206,023	261,900	271,000	280,400	290,100	300,000	310,200	320,800	331,800	343,200	355,000	367,000
	UTILITIES ADMINISTRATION 335															
57	GASB 68 PENSION EXPENSE	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
58 59	FULL TIME OVERTIME WATER ADMINISTRATION	65% 65%	259,338 717	275,768 1,310	301,057 1,558	273,255 3,250	284,200 3,400	295,600 3,500	307,400 3,600	319,700 3,700	332,500 3,800	345,800 4,000	359,600 4,200	374,000 4,400	389,000 4,600	404,600 4,800
60	DEFERRED INCOME	65%	782	782	679	593	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600	600
61	LONGEVITY	65%	1,203	1,203	1,333	975	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
62 63	PART TIME GROUP INSURANCE	65% 65%	20,235 51,258	6,453 53,017	18,596 39,606	10,779 65,939	11,200 68,600	11,600 71,300	12,100 74,200	12,600 77,200	13,100 80,300	13,600 83,500	14,100 86,800	14,700 90,300	15,300 93,900	15,900 97.700
64	GROUP INSURANCE OPT-OUT	65%	1,501	4,029	2,832	2,730	2,800	2,900	3,000	3,100	3,200	3,300	3,400	3,500	3,600	3,700
65 66	WORKERS COMPENSATION UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	0% 65%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
67	EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	65%		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
68	CONTRACTING/CONSULTING SERVICES	65%	3,294	2,362	30,878	48,750	50,200	51,700	53,300	54,900	56,500	58,200	59,900	61,700	63,600	65,500
69 70	CONTRACTING/CONSULTING (FINANCE) J.U.L.I.E.	65% 65%	1,876 99	5,681 1,930	5,482 2,582	5,200 2,600	5,400 2,700	5,600 2,800	5,800 2,900	6,000 3,000	6,200 3,100	6,400 3,200	6,600 3,300	6,800 3,400	7,000 3,500	7,200 3,600
71	LEGAL SERVICES	65%	4,819	2,066	2,028	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
72	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	65%	45,465	41,781	37,903	39,000	40,200	41,400	42,600	43,900	45,200	46,600	48,000	49,400	50,900	52,400
73 74	BANK FEES POSTAGE	65% 65%	46,535 25,929	48,231 19,786	49,021 23,221	52,000 22,750	53,600 23,400	55,200 24,100	56,900 24,800	58,600 25,500	60,400 26,300	62,200 27,100	64,100 27,900	66,000 28,700	68,000 29,600	70,000 30,500
75	DEPRECIATION EXPENSE	0%	,									-		-	-	-
76	TRAINING	65%	3,332	2,757	3,318	3,900	4,000	4,100	4,200	4,300	4,400	4,500	4,600	4,700	4,800	4,900
77 78	MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS PAGER RENTAL & RADIO REPAIR	65% 65%	-			1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300
79	TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND	65%	420,271	431,450	453,737	498,258	513,200	528,600	544,500	560,800	577,600	594,900	612,700	631,100	650,000	669,500
80 81	MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS TO RESIDENTS	65% 65%	1,428	44,198	1,050	1,040	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,100
82	RESIDENTIAL SANITARY SEWER GRANT	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
83	DRUG & HEPATITIS B TESTING	65%	410	195	560	325	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300
84 85	HEALTH & PPE SUPPLIES OFFICE SUPPLIES	65% 65%	671	608	851 1,590	1,950	2,000	2,100	2,200	2,300	2,400	2,500	2,600	2,700	2,800	2,900
86	PUBLICATIONS/PERIODICALS	65%	-	-	162	163	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
87	EQUIPMENT REPAIR PARTS	65% 65%	4,236	- 24.095	5,991	3,250	3,300	3,400	3,500 17,700	3,600	3,700	3,800	3,900	4,000	4,100	4,200
88 89	FUEL FUEL	65%	18,136 13,137	24,085 20,854	16,784 13,909	16,250 16,250	16,700 16,700	17,200 17,200	17,700 17,700	18,200 18,200	18,700 18,700	19,300 19,300	19,900 19,900	20,500 20,500	21,100 21,100	21,700 21,700
90	VEHICLE LEASE	0%														
91	TOTAL UTILITIES ADMINISTRATION		924,671	988,547	1,014,727	1,070,505	1,106,100	1,142,800	1,180,900	1,220,100	1,260,600	1,302,700	1,346,000	1,390,900	1,437,400	1,485,300
92	Grand Total Water O&M		4,407,288	4,518,647	5,671,867	5,554,914	5,764,063	6,019,337	6,210,139	6,411,548	6,616,058	6,824,067	7,043,384	7,266,202	7,500,827	7,738,852
93	Year over Year Change			2.5%	25.5%	-2.1%	3.8%	4.4%	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%	3.1%	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%



2.3.2 Projected Capital Improvement Expenditures

Table 2-5 shows the projected capital improvement expenditures (CIP) identified by the Village for the 2025 to 2035 planning period.

Factor 588,000 183rd & Kedzie Pressure Control Valves 443,300 100% West Side Tank Painting 100% 496,100 Fast Side Tank Paintin 570,100 Ground Reservoir Painting Central Water Tower Replacement 100% 98,700 6,199,100 134,100 Backhoe #207 (50% budgeted in General Capital)
Upgrade PLCs and Radios at all Stations
Replacement of PW Radio System (50% in General Capital) 50% 94,400 100% 153,300 145,900 160,800 177,300 195,500 42,800 Dump Truck 100% 94,500 100% 441.000 6,649,300 7,343,100 7,690,100 Watermain Idlewild - Dixie to Ashland [2] 100% 1,375,800 Watermain Spruce - Dixmoor to Golfview 100% 1.045.300 Watermain Cherrywood - Sailfish to Tarpon Watermain Cherrywood - Virginia to Debra 100% 100% 1,215,000 [2] [2] 1,637,300 Watermain Dundee - 175th to Hawthorne [2] 100% 1,047,400 Watermain 191st St Center to B Carey Training Center [2] 100% 1.025.200 [2] 100% 100% 689,000 788.500 Watermain Poplar Avenue - Hillview to evergreen Watermain Riegel Road - Birch to 187th [2] 100% 3.405.900 Watermain East Lyn Court - Willow to Poplar Watermain Pierce Terrace - Evergreen to Birch 1.363.000 25 Watermain Evergreen Road - Center to Pierce 100% Watermain Birch Road - Center to Pierce 100% Long Term Watermain Replacme Capital Contingency 100% 25,400 31,500 48,900 33,100 34,700 36,500 38,300 40,200 42,200 44,300 46,500 Total Capital Improvements 6.337.000 14.513.700 9.541.400 9.226.600 12.762.400 11.898.100 8.540.800 9.637.500 9.102.400 9.735.500 [1] Inflating 5% per year from 2026 through 2029 and 3% per year thereafter

Table 2-5: Water Capital Improvement Program

[2] Watermain replacement projects include a small amount of LSLR replacements which are expected to happen during the watermain work

2.3.3 Existing and Proposed Debt Service Requirements

Table 2-6 shows the existing and proposed debt service for the water utility. Currently the utility has no outstanding debt. Proposed debt payments have been estimated in this study for the purpose of forecasting revenue requirements and user charge development and are not intended to be financial advice regarding the type of debt and structure of payments for the Village.

Debt issuances are anticipated to fund the lead service line replacement through proposed Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) loans, and to fund other capital improvements through proposed revenue bonds. Lines 3 though 7 show anticipated revenue bond debt issues which would otherwise not be fundable without dramatic increases in water rates. Debt payments reflect an equal annual structure, a 20-year repayment term, 1 percent issuance expense and 4.5 percent average interest, with payments starting 1 year after issuance.

Lead service line loans are shown on Lines 8 through 18. The loan for 2026 has been approved by IEPA and included principal forgiveness in the amount of \$2 million. Generally speaking, principal forgiveness may be awarded for lead service line replacement in economically disadvantaged census tracts. Principal forgiveness may be granted for subsequent lead service line loans, but IEPA's loan program requires annual application and the degree to which principal forgiveness is granted will be known year by year. The Village's approach to lead service line replacement is to prioritize disadvantaged census tracts to be completed first, to reduce the risk that such incentive could be phased out by IEPA over time. To be cautious in forecasting, the plan does not rely on principal forgiveness for future loans, although it will be pursued by the Village. Interest rates on lead service line loans are expected to be 0 percent throughout the program, and a 30-year repayment period, with payments starting the mid-year after each annual program is completed with full payments starting within 18 months of completion.



Table 2-6: Existing and Proposed Water Debt Service

Line									Projected					
No.	Descri	intion	-	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035
140.	Existing Debt Issues	ption		2023	2020	2027	2020	2023	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2033
1	N/A			_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	_
2	Total Existing Debt Service					-							-	
		Net Bond												
	Proposed Revenue Bonds [1]	Proceeds [1]												
3	Revenue Bond Series: 2026	10,557,300		-	-	874,000	874,000	874,000	874,000	874,000	874,000	874,000	874,000	874,000
4	Revenue Bond Series: 2029	4,153,200		-	-	-	-	-	343,800	343,800	343,800	343,800	343,800	343,800
6	Revenue Bond Series: 2033	5,557,400	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	460,100	460,100
7	Subtotal Revenue Bond Debt			-	-	874,000	874,000	874,000	1,217,800	1,217,800	1,217,800	1,217,800	1,677,900	1,677,900
		Gross Loan	Net Loan to											
	Proposed IEPA Loan [2]	Proceeds [2]	Repay [2]											
8	IEPA Loan Series: 2026 [3]	3,597,825	1,597,825	-	-	26,650	53,300	53,300	53,300	53,300	53,300	53,300	53,300	53,300
9	IEPA Loan Series: 2027 [3]	6,649,300	6,649,300	-	-	-	110,800	221,600	221,600	221,600	221,600	221,600	221,600	221,600
10	IEPA Loan Series: 2028 [3]	6,996,220	6,996,220	-	-	-	-	116,600	233,200	233,200	233,200	233,200	233,200	233,200
11	IEPA Loan Series: 2029 [3]	7,343,140	7,343,140	-	-	-	-	-	122,400	244,800	244,800	244,800	244,800	244,800
12	IEPA Loan Series: 2030 [3]	7,690,060	7,690,060	-	-	-	-	-	-	128,150	256,300	256,300	256,300	256,300
13	IEPA Loan Series: 2031	8,036,980	8,036,980	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	133,950	267,900	267,900	267,900
14	IEPA Loan Series: 2032	8,495,375	8,495,375	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	141,600	283,200	283,200
15	IEPA Loan Series: 2033	8,902,688	8,902,688	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	148,400	296,800
16	IEPA Loan Series: 2034	9,310,000	9,310,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	155,150
17	IEPA Loan Series: 2035	9,590,280	9,590,280	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18	Subtotal IEPA Loan Debt	76,611,868	74,611,868	-	-	26,650	164,100	391,500	630,500	881,050	1,143,150	1,418,700	1,708,700	2,012,250
19	Total Proposed Debt			-	-	900,650	1,038,100	1,265,500	1,848,300	2,098,850	2,360,950	2,636,500	3,386,600	3,690,150

- [1] Assumed debt issuance with equal annual payments starting the year after issuance. Terms reflect 1% issuance expense, 20 year term and 4.50% interest
- [1] Assumes debt issuance includes proceeds designated to fund a bond reserve.
- [2] Proposed IEPA loans assume 0% interest over 30 years.
- [2] Loan repayment assumed to at the end of the annual LSLR construction cycle. Construction is anticipated to last the entire year.
- [2] Each year of LSLR projects is its own distinct loan.
- [3] LSLR Loans in disadvantaged census tracts.

2.3.4 Water Utility Flow of Funds

Table 2-7 presents the water utility cashflow. Line 1 of Table 2-7 shows retail water revenues under existing rates, identified previously in Table 2-3.

Lines 2 through 11 present the proposed retail water revenue increases through 2035. Total retail user charge revenues are summarized on Line 13.

The Village provides wholesale water service to Flossmoor and East Hazel Crest, which are subject contractually to maximum annual increases of 3 percent per year, which has been reflected in the forecast starting in 2026.

Miscellaneous revenues are shown on Line 15 and are primarily derived from forfeited discounts, miscellaneous revenues, water/sewer liens, and employee insurance contributions. For the purpose of this study those budgeted revenues are assumed to be allocable 50 percent to the water utility. The grand total revenue is summarized on Line 16, which includes retail and wholesale revenues, and non-user charge revenue.

Total water O&M expenses are shown on Line 17, shown previously in Table 2-4. Line 18 shows a transfer to the Village General Fund for vehicles, which is assumed to be 50 percent allocable to the water utility and inflating at 3 percent annually.

The water utility's proposed debt payments are shown on Lines 20 through 23, previously shown in Table 2-6. The utility has no outstanding debt, but IEPA loans and utility-backed revenue bonds are anticipated to help fund upcoming capital improvements.

Total revenue requirements are summarized on Line 24. This amount is deducted from Line 16, total revenue, to determine the annual operating balance, which is projected to be positive throughout the forecast period, as can be seen on Line 25.



Table 2-7: Water Utility Operating and Capital Flow of Funds

Line No.	Description	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Projected 2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035
	Water Utility Operating Flow of Funds											
1	Revenue Under Existing Water Rates	5,097,972	5,097,972	5,097,972	5,097,972	5,097,972	5,097,972	5,097,972	5,097,972	5,097,972	5,097,972	5,097,972
	Proposed Revenue Adjustments											
2	<u>Year Month Increase</u> 2026 2 7.75%		362,200	395,100	395,100	395,100	395,100	395,100	395,100	395.100	395,100	395.100
3	2026 2 7.75%		362,200	395,100	425,700	425,700	425,700	425,700	425,700	425,700	425,700	425,700
4	2027 2 7.75%			350,200	420,500	458,700	458,700	458,700	458,700	458,700	458,700	458,700
5	2029 2 7.75%				420,500	453,100	494,300	494,300	494,300	494,300	494,300	494,300
6	2030 2 7.75%					433,100	488,200	532,600	532,600	532,600	532,600	532,600
7	2031 2 7.75%						400,200	526,000	573,800	573,800	573,800	573,800
8	2032 2 7.75%							320,000	566,800	618,300	618,300	618,300
9	2033 2 7.75%								300,000	610,700	666,200	666,200
10	2034 2 7.75%									,	658,000	717,900
11	2035 2 6.00%										050,000	548,900
12	Total Proposed Additional Revenue	_	362,200	785,300	1,241,300	1,732,600	2,262,000	2,832,400	3,447,000	4,109,200	4,822,700	5,431,500
13	Total Water User Charge Revenue	5,097,972	5,460,172	5,883,272	6,339,272	6,830,572	7,359,972	7,930,372	8,544,972	9,207,172	9,920,672	10,529,472
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14	Projected Wholesale Revenue [1]	1,658,179	1,744,639	1,878,721	1,935,121	1,993,121	2,052,921	2,114,521	2,177,921	2,243,221	2,310,521	2,379,921
	,,											
15	Other Water Fund Revenue	104,838	119,000	119,000	119,000	119,000	119,000	119,000	119,000	119,000	119,000	119,000
16	Grand Total Water Revenue	6,860,989	7,323,811	7,880,993	8,393,393	8,942,693	9,531,893	10,163,893	10,841,893	11,569,393	12,350,193	13,028,393
	Revenue Requirements											
17	Total O&M	5,554,914	5,764,063	6,019,337	6,210,139	6,411,548	6,616,058	6,824,067	7,043,384	7,266,202	7,500,827	7,738,852
18	Transfer to General Funds (Vehicles) [2]	181,446	189,717	195,408	201,270	207,308	213,528	219,933	226,531	233,327	240,327	247,537
19	Total O&M	5,736,360	5,953,780	6,214,745	6,411,409	6,618,857	6,829,585	7,044,001	7,269,916	7,499,529	7,741,154	7,986,389
	Debt Service											
20	Existing Debt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	IEPA Proposed Debt	-	-	26,650	164,100	391,500	630,500	881,050	1,143,150	1,418,700	1,708,700	2,012,250
22	Proposed Revenue Bond Debt	-	-	874,000	874,000	874,000	1,217,800	1,217,800	1,217,800	1,217,800	1,677,900	1,677,900
23	Total Debt Service	-	=	900,650	1,038,100	1,265,500	1,848,300	2,098,850	2,360,950	2,636,500	3,386,600	3,690,150
24	Total Revenue Requirements	5,736,360	5,953,780	7,115,395	7,449,509	7,884,357	8,677,885	9,142,851	9,630,866	10,136,029	11,127,754	11,676,539
25	Annual Operating Balance	1,124,629	1,370,031	765,597	943,883	1,058,336	854,007	1,021,042	1,211,027	1,433,364	1,222,439	1,351,854
26	Beginning Balance [3]	1,250,000	1,369,700	1,421,300	1,484,200	1,531,300	1,580,900	1,631,400	1,682,600	1,736,700	1,791,700	1,849,500
27	Annual Operating Balance	1,124,629	1,370,031	765,597	943,883	1,058,336	854,007	1,021,042	1,211,027	1,433,364	1,222,439	1,351,854
28	Transfers to Capital	(1,004,929)	(1,318,431)	(702,697)	(896,783)	(1,008,736)	(803,507)	(969,842)	(1,156,927)	(1,378,364)	(1,164,639)	(1,293,154)
29	Ending Balance	1,369,700	1,421,300	1,484,200	1,531,300	1,580,900	1,631,400	1,682,600	1,736,700	1,791,700	1,849,500	1,908,200
30	Op. Reserve Target [4]	1,369,700	1,421,300	1,484,200	1,531,300	1,580,900	1,631,400	1,682,600	1,736,700	1,791,700	1,849,500	1,908,200
	Water the Control Floor of Free day											
	Water Utility Capital Flow of Funds											
24	Sources	1 170 277	1.022.022	10.044.035	2 702 444	2 425 220	E 0E0 434	4.040.353	4.014.734	E 240 420	11 202 504	9.005.702
31 32	Beginning Capital Balance [3] Transfer from Operations	1,178,377 1,004,929	1,922,023	10,944,825 702,697	3,783,144 896,783	3,135,338 1,008,736	5,958,124 803,507	4,910,252 969,842	4,814,721 1,156,927	5,240,420	11,283,564 1,164,639	8,995,793 1,293,154
33		1,004,929	1,318,431	702,097	690,763	1,006,730	803,307	909,642	1,130,927	1,378,364	1,104,039	1,293,134
34	Tax Revenue IEPA Loans	-	3,597,825	- 6 6 4 0 3 0 0	6,996,220		7.600.060	8,036,980	8,495,375	8,902,688	9,310,000	0 500 300
35	Revenue Bond Debt Issuance	-	10,557,300	6,649,300	6,996,220	7,343,140 4,153,200	7,690,060	8,030,980	6,493,373	5,557,400	9,510,000	9,590,280
36	Total Capital Sources	2,183,306	17,395,579	18,296,822	11,676,148	15,640,414	14,451,692	13,917,075	14,467,023	21,078,871	21,758,203	19,879,227
30	Total Capital Sources	2,183,300	17,353,375	10,230,822	11,070,148	13,040,414	14,431,032	13,317,073	14,407,023	21,078,871	21,738,203	13,873,227
	Uses											
37	Lead Line Costs	_	3,597,825	6,649,300	6,996,220	7,343,140	7,690,060	8,036,980	8,495,375	8,902,688	9,310,000	9,590,280
38	CIP (Bond Fundable)	98,700	1,963,815	7,244,417	1,349,096	2,080,582	1,047,444	1,025,173	689,029	788,474	3,405,910	1,363,043
39	CIP (Cash Fundable)	162,583	775,425	619,961	195,494	213,842	803,935	40,200	42,200	44,300	46,500	944,792
40	Debt Issuance Expense	-	113,689	-	-	44,725	-		-	59,846		5.11,752
41	Total Capital Uses	261,283	6,450,754	14,513,678	8,540,810	9,682,289	9,541,439	9,102,353	9,226,604	9,795,307	12,762,410	11,898,115
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42	Annual Capital Balance	1,922,023	10,944,825	3,783,144	3,135,338	5,958,124	4,910,252	4,814,721	5,240,420	11,283,564	8,995,793	7,981,112
	·											
43	Total End of Year Cash	3,291,723	12,366,125	5,267,344	4,666,638	7,539,024	6,541,652	6,497,321	6,977,120	13,075,264	10,845,293	9,889,312
44	Debt Service Coverage [5]	-	-	1.85	1.91	1.84	1.46	1.49	1.51	1.54	1.36	1.37

^[1] Assuming 3% increase in wholesale water rates

Lines 26 through 30 project the fund balance sources and uses for the utility. Sources include the beginning fund balance plus the annual operating balance. The 2025 beginning balance of \$1.25 million assumes 50 percent of the balance available at the beginning of FY 2025 is allocable to water. The annual operating cash flow from Line 25 is shown on Line 27. As a matter of policy the Village strives to maintain at least 90 days (about 25 percent) of annual O&M as a reserve. The minimum reserve target is calculated on Line 30. Any



^[2] Inflating cost 3% per year

^[3] Estimated balances split 50/50 between water and sewer

^[4] Based on 90 days operation and maintenance expense

^[5] Minimum debt service coverage target is 1.20

monies projected to be available above this minimum are transferred for use in funding capital projects or providing capital liquidity, as shown on Line 28.

The capital flow of funds is shown on Lines 31 through 42. Sources include a beginning balance assumed to be 50 percent allocable to water, transfer from operations and debt issuance in the form of IEPA loans and revenue bonds. Revenue bond proceeds on Line 35 have been sized to fund 3 years each of bond fundable CIP on Line 38. Specifically, bond fundable projects are anticipated to include watermain replacement, the Central Water Tower, and water plant upgrades. Line 33 tax revenue is recognized as a potential source of funds stemming from a non-home rule sales tax, but no such proceeds are relied upon in Table 2-7. Uses of funds include annual capital projects and debt issuance costs associated with utility revenue bond debt issuance. The ending capital fund balance on Line 42 includes unspent transfers from the operating fund and unspent revenue bond proceeds. Total end of year cash is shown on Line 43 and includes the operating reserve from Line 29 and the capital ending balance on Line 42.

The debt service coverage ratio is shown on Line 44. The minimum required debt service coverage ratio is 1.20x but as shown on Line 44 is higher than the minimum and stabilizes at about 1.36 at the end of the study period. Note that this calculation includes all revenue bond and IEPA debt. Should the utility move forward with the issuance of utility revenue bond debt, debt covenants will be established with the first issue with assistance from the Village's bond counsel and financial advisor. Debt service coverage should be evaluated further as those terms are settled.

In the development of the financial plan, assumptions were necessary regarding future conditions that impact projected water revenue increases. As a result, there are risks (i.e. ways in which revenue increases may be higher than proposed in Table 2-7), and opportunities (i.e. ways in which revenue increases may be lower than proposed in Table 2-7) inherent in the cash flow projections.

Risks include:

- Reduced funding for IEPA loans, which could limit the availability of loans from IEPA, the primary funding mechanism anticipated for lead service line replacement. It is currently assumed IEPA will be able to provide 0% interest loans for all lead service line project costs.
- Periods of higher inflation on operating costs (3.2 percent assumed) or project costs (5.0 percent assumed, excluding lead service lines)
- Higher interest rates on debt including IEPA loans (0.0 percent assumed) and other potential bonds (4.5 percent assumed)

Opportunities include:

- Principal forgiveness on IEPA lead service line loans. No principal forgiveness has been relied upon in the development of future cash flows.
- Potential for 40-year loans on IEPA lead service line loans, which are currently assumed to be 30 years.
- Regulatory relief in the form of additional time beyond 2035 to complete the lead service line replacement.
- Potential non-home rule sales tax being approved by the Village. If approved, it is possible the non-home
 rule sales tax proceeds could be used to back the issuance of debt to assist in funding lead service lines.
 No sales tax proceeds have been assumed in the development of future cash flows.



3.0 Retail Water Rate Design

3.1 Introduction

The primary focus of Rate Design is to develop a five-year projection of retail water rates that generates revenues to achieve proposed revenue increases identified in Table 2-7 and improves fixed cost recovery.

3.2 Existing Retail Water Rates

Table 3-1 shows the existing retail water rates. The Village's existing Inside Village water rates include a fixed charge of \$3.66 per month and a volumetric charge of \$10.97 for each 1,000 gallons of water use. These rates are charged to all applicable classes including sprinkler accounts. Outside Village rates are structured identically and reflect a 1.5x multiplier over Inside Village rates. Water rates applicable to schools and churches are also structured identically to Inside Village rates and reflect a 25 percent discount.

Table 3-1: Existing 2025 Water Rates

Standard Minimum Charge / Administrative Fee	\$ 3.66
Volume per 1,000 gal	\$ 10.97
<u>Sprinkler</u>	
Minimum Charge / Administrative Fee	\$ 3.66
Volume per 1,000 gal	\$ 10.97
Schools & Churches (Discounted)	
Minimum Charge / Administrative Fee	\$ 2.75
Volume per 1,000 gal	\$ 8.23
Outside Village	
Minimum Charge / Administrative Fee	\$ 5.49
Volume per 1,000 gal	\$ 16.46

3.3 Residential Rate Benchmarking

As a part of the rate study, a survey of regional water providers was conducted to compare the cost of monthly water bills for an average household. Figure 3-1 shows the results of the survey. Under existing rates, Homewood's average water bill is comparable to the survey average for a household using 4 kgal/month.



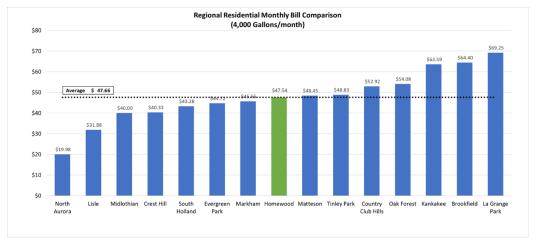


Figure 3-1: Regional Residential Bill Comparison

One of the advantages of the current rate structure is that it is understood by water customers and is relatively easy to explain. However, the current water rate structure provides relatively low fixed cost recovery. The existing rate design exposes the water utility to revenue volatility that would occur in the event that usage declines, which may occur as a result of cooler and/or wetter weather in the peak use summer months.

Under current rates, it is estimated that roughly \$300,000 of the \$5.1 million in retail rate revenue comes from fixed fees, representing about 6% of the retail revenue stream. In our experience this is a low rate of fixed cost recovery. To support this assertion, rate benchmarking was performed as part of the Study. Figure 3-2 shows the fixed fees in place for 14 other regional water utilities. As shown in Figure 3-2, the Village's existing fixed fee of \$3.66 ranks among the lowest. Note that a few of the utilities include a usage allowance that averages about 1.5 to 2.0 kgal/month, which is one way to increase the proportion of revenue coming from fixed fees.

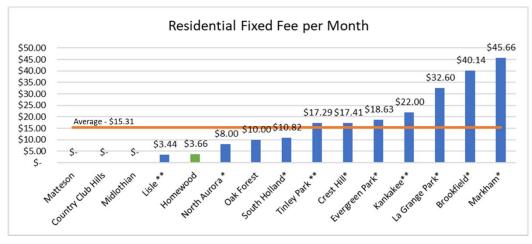


Figure 3-2: Residential Fixed Fee Survey



^{*} Fee includes usage allowance, most common about 1.5-2 kgal/mo

^{**} Fee increased by meter size, 5/8" - 3/4" generally residential

Figure 3-3 shows the results of the volumetric fee survey for the same communities. Results indicate Homewood's volumetric rate is very comparable to the survey average. Note that Homewood's Inside Village water rate was amended to \$11.29 per 1,000 gallons in March 2025 to reflect changes in water supply from Chicago Heights.

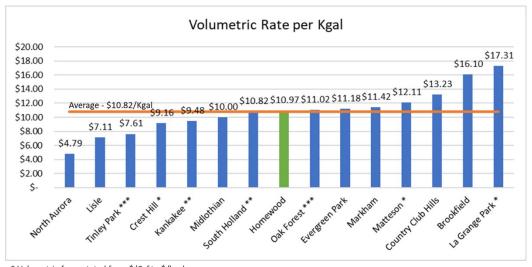


Figure 3-3: Residential Volumetric Fee Survey

Using the observations from the rate benchmarking, and in consultation with the Village, three rate design alternatives were prepared. The Village ultimately elected to move forward with a monthly fixed fee that increases in accordance with meter size and sustains the current uniform approach to volumetric pricing, with all units priced per 1,000 gallons used.

3.4 Proposed Retail Water Rates

Table 3-2 shows the existing and proposed water rates, including a structural change in the monthly fixed charge, which is proposed to increase in accordance with meter size. A fixed fee that increases by meter size is a common structure and will help the utility improve the amount of revenue derived from fixed charges. Volumetric fees sustain the existing structure, to be billed for each 1,000 gallons of water usage. The Outside Village multiplier of 1.5x and the schools and churches discount of 25% are proposed to continue.

Retail rates developed for 2026 reflect the structure change in the fixed fee, with the volumetric fee then set to produce the indicated overall 7.75 percent revenue increase. As designed, the fixed revenue stream would increase from about 6 percent to about 6.5% by the end of 2026.

Retail rates proposed for 2027 through 2030 reflect a proportionate increase in all retail user charges of 7.75 percent, in alignment with the overall systemwide increase proposed each year. It is proposed that the Village adopt the first two years of proposed rates for 2026 and 2027 and then re-evaluate the systemwide increases proposed for subsequent years to confirm they still reasonably reflect funding needs. At that point, the outcome of the risks and opportunities discussed in this section may be more certain, and refinement in the financial plans may be warranted.



^{*} Volumetric fee restated from \$/Ccf to \$/kgal

^{**} Volumetric fees have additional declining blocks
*** Volumetric fees have additional inclining blocks

Table 3-2: Existing and Proposed Water Rates

Line		Meter		Existing										
No.	<u>Description</u>	<u>Size</u>	1	2025		<u>2026</u>		2027		<u>2028</u>		2029		<u>2030</u>
1	Proposed Annual Water Rate Increa	ases				7.75%		7.75%		7.75%		7.75%		7.75%
	Inside Village Customers													
2	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	5/8 & 3/4	\$	3.66	\$	3.94	\$	4.25	\$	4.58	\$	4.93	\$	5.31
3	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1	\$	3.66	\$	5.52	\$	5.95	\$	6.41	\$	6.91	\$	7.45
4	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1.5	\$	3.66	\$	7.09	\$	7.64	\$	8.23	\$	8.87	\$	9.56
5	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	2	\$	3.66	\$	11.43	\$	12.32	\$	13.27	\$	14.30	\$	15.41
6	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	3	\$	3.66	\$	43.34	\$	46.70	\$	50.32	\$	54.22	\$	58.42
7	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	4	\$	3.66	\$	55.16	\$	59.43	\$	64.04	\$	69.00	\$	74.35
8	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	6	\$	3.66	\$	82.74	\$	89.15	\$	96.06	\$	103.50	\$	111.52
9	Volume Charge (\$/1,000 Gal.) *		\$	10.97	\$	11.74	\$	12.65	\$	13.63	\$	14.69	\$	15.83
	Outside Village Customers													
10	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	5/8 & 3/4	\$	5.49	\$	5.91	\$	6.38	\$	6.87	\$	7.40	\$	7.97
11	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1	\$	5.49	\$	8.28	\$	8.93	\$	9.62	\$	10.37	\$	11.18
12	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1.5	\$	5.49	\$	10.64	\$	11.46	\$	12.35	\$	13.31	\$	14.34
13	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	2	\$	5.49	\$	17.15	\$	18.48	\$	19.91	\$	21.45	\$	23.12
14	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	3	\$	5.49	\$	65.01	\$	70.05	\$	75.48	\$	81.33	\$	87.63
15	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	4	\$	5.49	\$	82.74	\$	89.15	\$	96.06	\$	103.50	\$	111.53
		6	\$	5.49	\$	124.11	\$	133.73	\$	144.09	\$	155.25	\$	167.28
16	Volume Charge (\$/1,000 Gal.) *		\$	16.46	\$	17.61	\$	18.98	\$	20.45	\$	22.04	\$	23.75
	Schools and Churches													
17	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	5/8 & 3/4	\$	2.75	\$	2.96	\$	3.19	\$	3.44	\$	3.70	\$	3.98
18	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1	\$	2.75	\$	4.14	\$	4.46	\$	4.81	\$	5.18	\$	5.59
19	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1.5	\$	2.75	\$	5.32	\$	5.73	\$	6.17	\$	6.65	\$	7.17
20	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	2	\$	2.75	\$	8.57	\$	9.24	\$	9.95	\$	10.73	\$	11.56
21	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	3	\$	2.75	\$	32.51	\$	35.03	\$	37.74	\$	40.67	\$	43.82
22	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	4	\$	2.75	\$	41.37	\$	44.57	\$	48.03	\$	51.75	\$	55.76
23	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	6	\$	2.75	\$	62.06	\$	66.86	\$	72.05	\$	77.63	\$	83.64
24	Volume Charge (\$/1,000 Gal.) *		\$	8.23	\$	8.81	\$	9.49	\$	10.22	\$	11.02	\$	11.87

Notes:

Sprinker rate is the same as Inside Village Schools and churches discount is 25% Outside Village rates are 1.5x Inside Village

Changes in rate structure can have different impacts on different users based on their meter size and monthly water usage. Table 3-3 shows the residential water customer bill impact on various usage amounts to demonstrate the impact of the proposed rates. These computations reflect 5/8" meters, the dominant meter size for residential connection. Most residential customers will experience an increase in 2026 ranging from 7.0 percent to 7.75 percent, which is a function of the structural change in fixed charges. For the average 4,000 gallon user, the increase will amount to \$3.36 in 2026. For years 2027 through 2030, increases will be a uniform 7.75%, reflecting the systemwide increase applied to both the fixed and volumetric user charges.



^{*} The 2025 Inside Village water rate was amended to \$11.29 per 1,000 gallons to reflect changes in the price of water supply from Chicago Heights in March 2025. This change also impacts the Outside Village and Schools and Churches 2025 rates.

Table 3-3: Residential Water Bill Impact

	Percent	Е	xisting			Pi	Proposed																
Billable	of Bills		2025	2026	2027		2028		2029		2030				Ch	nange in \$			Change in %			%	
Flow	in 2024		<u>Rates</u>	Rates	Rates		Rates		Rates		Rates		<u> 2026</u>	2027		2028	2029	2030	<u>2026</u>	2027	2028	2029	<u>2030</u>
Kgal/Mo			\$	\$	\$		\$		\$		\$												
Residential																							
0	5.93%	\$	3.66	\$ 3.94	\$ 4.25	\$	4.58	\$	4.93	\$	5.31	\$	0.28	\$ 0.31	\$	0.33	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.38	7.7%	7.9%	7.8%	7.6%	7.7%
1	11.43%	\$	14.63	\$ 15.68	\$ 16.90	\$	18.21	\$	19.62	\$	21.14	\$	1.05	\$ 1.22	\$	1.31	\$ 1.41	\$ 1.52	7.2%	7.8%	7.8%	7.7%	7.7%
2	17.34%	\$	25.60	\$ 27.42	\$ 29.55	\$	31.84	\$	34.31	\$	36.97	\$	1.82	\$ 2.13	\$	2.29	\$ 2.47	\$ 2.66	7.1%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
3	18.94%	\$	36.57	\$ 39.16	\$ 42.20	\$	45.47	\$	49.00	\$	52.80	\$	2.59	\$ 3.04	\$	3.27	\$ 3.53	\$ 3.80	7.1%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
4	15.95%	\$	47.54	\$ 50.90	\$ 54.85	\$	59.10	\$	63.69	\$	68.63	\$	3.36	\$ 3.95	\$	4.25	\$ 4.59	\$ 4.94	7.1%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
5	11.14%	\$	58.51	\$ 62.64	\$ 67.50	\$	72.73	\$	78.38	\$	84.46	\$	4.13	\$ 4.86	\$	5.23	\$ 5.65	\$ 6.08	7.1%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
6	7.13%	\$	69.48	\$ 74.38	\$ 80.15	\$	86.36	\$	93.07	\$	100.29	\$	4.90	\$ 5.77	\$	6.21	\$ 6.71	\$ 7.22	7.1%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
7	4.43%	\$	80.45	\$ 86.12	\$ 92.80	\$	99.99	\$	107.76	\$	116.12	\$	5.67	\$ 6.68	\$	7.19	\$ 7.77	\$ 8.36	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
8	2.55%	\$	91.42	\$ 97.86	\$ 105.45	\$	113.62	\$	122.45	\$	131.95	\$	6.44	\$ 7.59	\$	8.17	\$ 8.83	\$ 9.50	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
9	1.59%	\$	102.39	\$ 109.60	\$ 118.10	\$	127.25	\$	137.14	\$	147.78	\$	7.21	\$ 8.50	\$	9.15	\$ 9.89	\$ 10.64	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
10	0.97%	\$	113.36	\$ 121.34	\$ 130.75	\$	140.88	\$	151.83	\$	163.61	\$	7.98	\$ 9.41	\$	10.13	\$ 10.95	\$ 11.78	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
11	0.68%	\$	124.33	\$ 133.08	\$ 143.40	\$	154.51	\$	166.52	\$	179.44	\$	8.75	\$ 10.32	\$	11.11	\$ 12.01	\$ 12.92	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
12	0.42%	\$	135.30	\$ 144.82	\$ 156.05	\$	168.14	\$	181.21	\$	195.27	\$	9.52	\$ 11.23	\$	12.09	\$ 13.07	\$ 14.06	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
13	0.28%	\$	146.27	\$ 156.56	\$ 168.70	\$	181.77	\$	195.90	\$	211.10	\$	10.29	\$ 12.14	\$	13.07	\$ 14.13	\$ 15.20	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
14	0.22%	\$	157.24	\$ 168.30	\$ 181.35	\$	195.40	\$	210.59	\$	226.93	\$	11.06	\$ 13.05	\$	14.05	\$ 15.19	\$ 16.34	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
15	0.17%	\$	168.21	\$ 180.04	\$ 194.00	\$	209.03	\$	225.28	\$	242.76	\$	11.83	\$ 13.96	\$	15.03	\$ 16.25	\$ 17.48	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
16	0.13%	\$	179.18	\$ 191.78	\$ 206.65	\$	222.66	\$	239.97	\$	258.59	\$	12.60	\$ 14.87	\$	16.01	\$ 17.31	\$ 18.62	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
17	0.14%	\$	190.15	\$ 203.52	\$ 219.30	\$	236.29	\$	254.66	\$	274.42	\$	13.37	\$ 15.78	\$	16.99	\$ 18.37	\$ 19.76	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
18	0.07%	\$	201.12	\$ 215.26	\$ 231.95	\$	249.92	\$	269.35	\$	290.25	\$	14.14	\$ 16.69	\$	17.97	\$ 19.43	\$ 20.90	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
19	0.07%	\$	212.09	\$ 227.00	\$ 244.60	\$	263.55	\$	284.04	\$	306.08	\$	14.91	\$ 17.60	\$	18.95	\$ 20.49	\$ 22.04	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%
20	0.05%	\$	223.06	\$ 238.74	\$ 257.25	\$	277.18	\$	298.73	\$	321.91	\$	15.68	\$ 18.51	\$	19.93	\$ 21.55	\$ 23.18	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%

Table 3-4 shows the impact of proposed rates on other classes of users. Due to the wide variety of meter sizes and usage levels, Table 3-4 shows the common meter sizes for each class, and the average use of that meter size within the class. Note in 2026 the percentage increase in most bills is higher than the system average of 7.75 percent, which is a function of the change in the fixed fee. As was the case with residential bill impacts, bills shown for 2027 through 2030 increase at a uniform 7.75 percent, reflecting the systemwide increase applied to both the fixed and volumetric user charges.

Table 3-4: Non-Residential Water Bill Impact

		Existing	Pr	oposed		Recor	nmended																		
Water	Meter	2025		2026	2027	2028	2029		2030					Ch	ange in \$						Ch	nange in	i %		
<u>Use</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Rates</u>		<u>Rates</u>	<u>Rates</u>	<u>Rates</u>	<u>Rates</u>		Rates		<u>2026</u>		2027		2028		2029		2030	2026	2027	2028	2029	<u>2030</u>	
Kgal/Mo	inches	\$		\$	\$	\$	\$		\$																
Multi-Family																									
3	5/8" & 3/4"	\$ 36.57	Ś	39.16	\$ 42.20	\$ 45.47	, ¢ 10	00	\$ 52.80	Ś	2.59	ė	3.04	ė	3.27	ė	3.53	ė	3.80	7.1%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
12	3/6 & 3/4 1"	\$ 135.30		146.40						Ś	11.10		11.35		12.22		13.22		14.22	8.2%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
35	1.5"	\$ 387.61		417.99						Ś	30.38		32.40		34.89	\$	37.74		40.59	7.8%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
40	2"	\$ 442.46		481.03					\$ 648.61	Ġ	38.57		37.29		40.15		43.43		46.71	8.7%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
325	3"					\$ 4,480.07				Ś	289.93		299.11		322.12		348.40		374.70	8.1%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
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Commercial																									
3	5/8" & 3/4"	\$ 36.57	\$	39.16	\$ 42.20	\$ 45.47	\$ 49.	00	\$ 52.80	\$	2.59	\$	3.04	\$	3.27	\$	3.53	\$	3.80	7.1%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
7	1"	\$ 80.45	\$	87.70	\$ 94.50	\$ 101.82	\$ 109.	74	\$ 118.26	\$	7.25	\$	6.80	\$	7.32	\$	7.92	\$	8.52	9.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
17	1.5"	\$ 190.15	\$	206.67	\$ 222.69	\$ 239.94	\$ 258.	60	\$ 278.67	\$	16.52	\$	16.02	\$	17.25	\$	18.66	\$	20.07	8.7%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
31	2"	\$ 343.73	\$	375.37	\$ 404.47	\$ 435.80	\$ 469.	69	\$ 506.14	\$	31.64	\$	29.10	\$	31.33	\$	33.89	\$	36.45	9.2%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
160	3"	\$ 1,758.86	\$ 1	1,921.74	\$ 2,070.70	\$ 2,231.12	\$ 2,404.	62	\$ 2,591.22	\$	162.88	\$	148.96	\$	160.42	\$	173.50	\$	186.60	9.3%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
250	4"	\$ 2,746.16	\$ 2	2,990.16	\$ 3,221.93	\$ 3,471.54	\$ 3,741.	50	\$ 4,031.85	\$	244.00	\$	231.77	\$	249.61	\$	269.96	\$	290.35	8.9%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
Restaurant																									
9	5/8" & 3/4"	\$ 102.39		109.60						\$	7.21		8.50		9.15		9.89		10.64	7.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
20	1"	\$ 223.06		240.32						\$	17.26		18.63				21.70		23.34	7.7%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
50	1.5"	\$ 552.16		594.09			\$ 743.			\$	41.93		46.05		49.59		53.64		57.69	7.6%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
70	2"	\$ 771.56	\$	833.23	\$ 897.82	\$ 967.37	\$ 1,042.	60	\$ 1,123.51	\$	61.67	\$	64.59	\$	69.55	\$	75.23	\$	80.91	8.0%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
Brewery																									
20	2"	\$ 223.06	Ś	246.23	\$ 265.32	\$ 285.87	' \$ 308.	10	\$ 332.01	Ś	23.17	Ś	19.09	Ś	20.55	Ś	22.23	Ś	23.91	10.4%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
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Industrial																									
2	5/8" & 3/4"	\$ 25.60	\$	27.42	\$ 29.55	\$ 31.84	\$ 34.	31	\$ 36.97	\$	1.82	\$	2.13	\$	2.29	\$	2.47	\$	2.66	7.1%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
3	1"	\$ 36.57	\$	40.74	\$ 43.90	\$ 47.30	\$ 50.	98	\$ 54.94	\$	4.17	\$	3.16	\$	3.40	\$	3.68	\$	3.96	11.4%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
12	2"	\$ 135.30	\$	152.31	\$ 164.12	\$ 176.83	\$ \$ 190.	58	\$ 205.37	\$	17.01	\$	11.81	\$	12.71	\$	13.75	\$	14.79	12.6%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	
80	3"	\$ 881.26	\$	982.54	\$ 1,058.70	\$ 1,140.72	\$ 1,229.	42	\$ 1,324.82	\$	101.28	\$	76.16	\$	82.02	\$	88.70	\$	95.40	11.5%	7.8%	7.7%	7.8%	7.8%	



Figure 3-4 shows the residential regional bill comparison including the proposed Homewood 2026 water rates. Note that Homewood's average residential water bill slips to the right in the survey; however, other communities will in all likelihood be increasing rates over time. As noted earlier, nationwide annual household water costs have been increasing about 5 percent per year. If the survey average in Figure 3-4 increased 5 percent in 2026, it would increase to \$50.04/month, and with Homewood aligned reasonably well with the average.

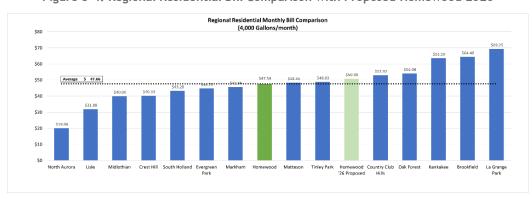


Figure 3-4: Regional Residential Bill Comparison with Proposed Homewood 2026

4.0 Appendix - Alternate Rate Designs

4.1 Supplemental Rate Designs

Two additional rate designs were developed for FY 2028 through FY 2030 that increased fixed fees proportionately more, and volumetric fees less, to further improve fixed cost recovery. The overall systemwide revenue increase per year remains 7.75 percent. These supplemental rate designs are intended to demonstrate the impact of options to make further progress toward increased fixed cost recovery starting in 2028.

4.1.1 Option 1 Fixed Fee Increase of 15 Percent Starting in 2028

Option 1 increases fixed fees in 2028 through 2030 approximately 15 percent per year as shown in Table 4-1. At the end of 2030, the fixed revenue stream would represent approximately 8 percent of revenue, up from the 6.5 percent achieved with the 2026 rates proposed previously in Table 3-2.

Table 4-1: Option 1 Proposed Alternate Water Rates 2028-2030

Line		Meter	Existing			ı	Proposed		
No.	<u>Description</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>	<u>2027</u>		<u>2028</u>	<u>2029</u>	<u>2030</u>
1	Proposed Annual Water Rate Incre	eases		7.75%	7.75%		7.75%	7.75%	7.75%
	Inside Village Customers								
2	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	5/8 & 3/4	\$ 3.66	\$ 3.94	\$ 4.25	\$	4.89	\$ 5.62	\$ 6.46
3	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1	\$ 3.66	\$ 5.52	\$ 5.95	\$	6.85	\$ 7.87	\$ 9.05
4	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1.5	\$ 3.66	\$ 7.09	\$ 7.64	\$	8.80	\$ 10.11	\$ 11.62
5	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	2	\$ 3.66	\$ 11.43	\$ 12.32	\$	14.19	\$ 16.30	\$ 18.74
6	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	3	\$ 3.66	\$ 43.34	\$ 46.70	\$	53.79	\$ 61.82	\$ 71.06
7	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	4	\$ 3.66	\$ 55.16	\$ 59.43	\$	68.46	\$ 78.68	\$ 90.44
8	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	6	\$ 3.66	\$ 82.74	\$ 89.15	\$	102.69	\$ 118.02	\$ 135.66
9	Volume Charge (\$/1,000 Gal.)		\$ 10.97	\$ 11.74	\$ 12.65	\$	13.57	\$ 14.55	\$ 15.59
	Outside Village Customers								
10	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	5/8 & 3/4	\$ 5.49	\$ 5.91	\$ 6.38	\$	7.34	\$ 8.43	\$ 9.69
11	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1	\$ 5.49	\$ 8.28	\$ 8.93	\$	10.28	\$ 11.81	\$ 13.58
12	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1.5	\$ 5.49	\$ 10.64	\$ 11.46	\$	13.20	\$ 15.17	\$ 17.43
13	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	2	\$ 5.49	\$ 17.15	\$ 18.48	\$	21.29	\$ 24.45	\$ 28.11
14	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	3	\$ 5.49	\$ 65.01	\$ 70.05	\$	80.69	\$ 92.73	\$ 106.59
15	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	4	\$ 5.49	\$ 82.74	\$ 89.15	\$	102.69	\$ 118.02	\$ 135.66
		6	\$ 5.49	\$ 124.11	\$ 133.73	\$	154.04	\$ 177.03	\$ 203.49
16	Volume Charge (\$/1,000 Gal.)		\$ 16.46	\$ 17.61	\$ 18.98	\$	20.36	\$ 21.83	\$ 23.39
	Schools and Churches								
17	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	5/8 & 3/4	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.96	\$ 3.19	\$	3.67	\$ 4.22	\$ 4.85
18	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1	\$ 2.75	\$ 4.14	\$ 4.46	\$	5.14	\$ 5.90	\$ 6.79
19	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1.5	\$ 2.75	\$ 5.32	\$ 5.73	\$	6.60	\$ 7.58	\$ 8.72
20	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	2	\$ 2.75	\$ 8.57	\$ 9.24	\$	10.64	\$ 12.23	\$ 14.06
21	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	3	\$ 2.75	\$ 32.51	\$ 35.03	\$	40.34	\$ 46.37	\$ 53.30
22	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	4	\$ 2.75	\$ 41.37	\$ 44.57	\$	51.35	\$ 59.01	\$ 67.83
23	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	6	\$ 2.75	\$ 62.06	\$ 66.86	\$	77.02	\$ 88.52	\$ 101.75
24	Volume Charge (\$/1,000 Gal.)		\$ 8.23	\$ 8.81	\$ 9.49	\$	10.18	\$ 10.91	\$ 11.69

Notes

Sprinker rate is the same as Inside Village Schools and churches discount is 25% Outside Village rates are 1.5x Inside Village



Table 4-2 demonstrates the impact to residential bills for Option 1. Compared to rates proposed in Table 3-2, the average residential bill using 4 kgal/month increases from \$68.63 in 2030 to \$68.82.

Table 4-3 shows the impact to non-residential bills for Option 1. For most of the user types shown, the impact to the water bill in 2030 compared to the rates proposed in Table 3-2 is relatively minor.

Table 4-2: Option 1 Residential Water Bill Impact

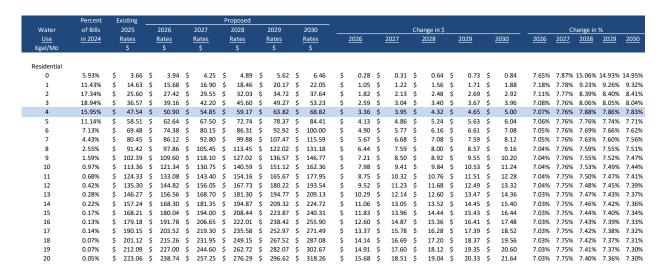
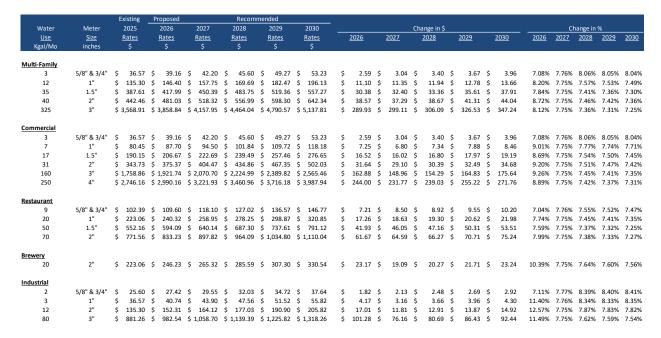


Table 4-3: Option 1 Non-Residential Water Bill Impact





4.1.2 Option 2 Fixed Fee Increase of 20 Percent Starting in 2028

Option 2 increases fixed fees in 2028 through 2030 approximately 20 percent per year as shown in Table 4-4. At the end of 2030, the fixed revenue stream would represent approximately 9 percent of revenue, up from the 6.5 percent achieved with the 2026 rates proposed in Table 3-2.

Table 4-4: Option 2 Proposed Alternate Water Rates 2028-2030

Line		Meter	Existing	Proposed									
No.	<u>Description</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>2025</u>		2026		2027		2028		<u>2029</u>		<u>2030</u>
1	Proposed Annual Water Rate Incre	ases			7.75%		7.75%		7.75%		7.75%		7.75%
	Inside Village Customers												
2	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	5/8 & 3/4	\$ 3.66	\$	3.94	\$	4.25	\$	5.10	\$	6.12	\$	7.34
3	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1	\$ 3.66	\$	5.52	\$	5.95	\$	7.15	\$	8.57	\$	10.28
4	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1.5	\$ 3.66	\$	7.09	\$	7.64	\$	9.18	\$	11.01	\$	13.21
5	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	2	\$ 3.66	\$	11.43	\$	12.32	\$	14.80	\$	17.75	\$	21.29
6	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	3	\$ 3.66	\$	43.34	\$	46.70	\$	56.10	\$	67.32	\$	80.74
7	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	4	\$ 3.66	\$	55.16	\$	59.43	\$	71.40	\$	85.68	\$	102.76
8	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	6	\$ 3.66	\$	82.74	\$	89.15	\$	107.10	\$	128.52	\$	154.14
9	Volume Charge (\$/1,000 Gal.)		\$ 10.97	\$	11.74	\$	12.65	\$	13.53	\$	14.44	\$	15.41
	Outside Village Customers												
10	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	5/8 & 3/4	\$ 5.49	\$	5.91	\$	6.38	\$	7.65	\$	9.18	\$	11.01
11	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1	\$ 5.49	\$	8.28	\$	8.93	\$	10.73	\$	12.86	\$	15.42
12	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1.5	\$ 5.49	\$	10.64	\$	11.46	\$	13.77	\$	16.52	\$	19.82
13	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	2	\$ 5.49	\$	17.15	\$	18.48	\$	22.20	\$	26.63	\$	31.94
14	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	3	\$ 5.49	\$	65.01	\$	70.05	\$	84.15	\$	100.98	\$	121.11
15	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	4	\$ 5.49	\$	82.74	\$	89.15	\$	107.10	\$	128.52	\$	154.14
		6	\$ 5.49	\$	124.11	\$	133.73	\$	160.65	\$	192.78	\$	231.21
16	Volume Charge (\$/1,000 Gal.)		\$ 16.46	\$	17.61	\$	18.98	\$	20.30	\$	21.66	\$	23.12
	Schools and Churches												
17	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	5/8 & 3/4	\$ 2.75	\$	2.96	\$	3.19	\$	3.83	\$	4.59	\$	5.51
18	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1	\$ 2.75	\$	4.14	\$	4.46	\$	5.36	\$	6.43	\$	7.71
19	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	1.5	\$ 2.75	\$	5.32	\$	5.73	\$	6.89	\$	8.26	\$	9.91
20	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	2	\$ 2.75	\$	8.57	\$	9.24	\$	11.10	\$	13.31	\$	15.97
21	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	3	\$ 2.75	\$	32.51	\$	35.03	\$	42.08	\$	50.49	\$	60.56
22	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	4	\$ 2.75	\$	41.37	\$	44.57	\$	53.55	\$	64.26	\$	77.07
23	Service Charge (\$/Mo.)	6	\$ 2.75	\$	62.06	\$	66.86	\$	80.33	\$	96.39	\$	115.61
24	Volume Charge (\$/1,000 Gal.)		\$ 8.23	\$	8.81	\$	9.49	\$	10.15	\$	10.83	\$	11.56

Notes:

Sprinker rate is the same as Inside Village Schools and churches discount is 25% Outside Village rates are 1.5x Inside Village

Table 4-5 demonstrates the impact to residential bills for Option 1. Compared to rates proposed in Table 3-2, the average residential bill using 4 kgal/month increases from \$68.63 in 2030 to \$68.98.

Table 4-6 shows the impact to non-residential bills for Option 1. For most of the user types shown, the impact to the water bill in 2030 compared to the rates proposed in Table 3-2 is relatively minor.



Table 4-5: Option 2 Residential Water Bill Impact

	Percent	Е	xisting	Proposed																								
Water	of Bills		2025		2026		2027		2028		2029		2030					Ch	ange in \$						С	hange in	%	
<u>Use</u>	in 2024		Rates		Rates		Rates		Rates		Rates		Rates		2026		2027		2028		202 <u>9</u>		2030	2026	2027	2028	2029	<u>2030</u>
Kgal/Mo			\$		\$		\$		\$		\$		\$															
Residential																												
0	5.93%	\$	3.66	\$	3.94	\$	4.25	\$	5.10	\$	6.12	\$	7.34	\$	0.28	\$	0.31	\$	0.85	\$	1.02	\$	1.22	7.65%	7.87%	20.00%	20.00%	19.93%
1	11.43%	\$	14.63	\$	15.68	\$	16.90	\$	18.63	\$	20.56	\$	22.75	\$	1.05	\$	1.22	\$	1.73	\$	1.93	\$	2.19	7.18%	7.78%	10.24%	10.36%	10.65%
2	17.34%	\$	25.60	\$	27.42	\$	29.55	\$	32.16	\$	35.00	\$	38.16	\$	1.82	\$	2.13	\$	2.61	\$	2.84	\$	3.16	7.11%	7.77%	8.83%	8.83%	9.03%
3	18.94%	\$	36.57	\$	39.16	\$	42.20	\$	45.69	\$	49.44	\$	53.57	\$	2.59	\$	3.04	\$	3.49	\$	3.75	\$	4.13	7.08%	7.76%	8.27%	8.21%	8.35%
4	15.95%	\$	47.54	\$	50.90	\$	54.85	\$	59.22	\$	63.88	\$	68.98	\$	3.36	\$	3.95	\$	4.37	\$	4.66	\$	5.10	7.07%	7.76%	7.97%	7.87%	7.98%
5	11.14%	\$	58.51	\$	62.64	\$	67.50	\$	72.75	\$	78.32	\$	84.39	\$	4.13	\$	4.86	\$	5.25	\$	5.57	\$	6.07	7.06%	7.76%	7.78%	7.66%	7.75%
6	7.13%	\$	69.48	\$	74.38	\$	80.15	\$	86.28	\$	92.76	\$	99.80	\$	4.90	\$	5.77	\$	6.13	\$	6.48	\$	7.04	7.05%	7.76%	7.65%	7.51%	7.59%
7	4.43%	\$	80.45	\$	86.12	\$	92.80	\$	99.81	\$	107.20	\$	115.21	\$	5.67	\$	6.68	\$	7.01	\$	7.39	\$	8.01	7.05%	7.76%	7.55%	7.40%	7.47%
8	2.55%	\$	91.42	\$	97.86	\$	105.45	\$	113.34	\$	121.64	\$	130.62	\$	6.44	\$	7.59	\$	7.89	\$	8.30	\$	8.98	7.04%	7.76%	7.48%	7.32%	7.38%
9	1.59%	\$	102.39	\$	109.60	\$	118.10	\$	126.87	\$	136.08	\$	146.03	\$	7.21	\$	8.50	\$	8.77	\$	9.21	\$	9.95	7.04%	7.76%	7.43%	7.26%	7.31%
10	0.97%	\$	113.36	\$	121.34	\$	130.75	\$	140.40	\$	150.52	\$	161.44	\$	7.98	\$	9.41	\$	9.65	\$	10.12	\$	10.92	7.04%	7.76%	7.38%	7.21%	7.25%
11	0.68%	\$	124.33	\$	133.08	\$	143.40	\$	153.93	\$	164.96	\$	176.85	\$	8.75	\$	10.32	\$	10.53	\$	11.03	\$	11.89	7.04%	7.75%	7.34%	7.17%	7.21%
12	0.42%	\$	135.30	\$	144.82	\$	156.05	\$	167.46	\$	179.40	\$	192.26	\$	9.52	\$	11.23	\$	11.41	\$	11.94	\$	12.86	7.04%	7.75%	7.31%	7.13%	7.17%
13	0.28%	\$	146.27	\$	156.56	\$	168.70	\$	180.99	\$	193.84	\$	207.67	\$	10.29	\$	12.14	\$	12.29	\$	12.85	\$	13.83	7.03%	7.75%	7.29%	7.10%	7.13%
14	0.22%	\$	157.24	\$	168.30	\$	181.35	\$	194.52	\$	208.28	\$	223.08	\$	11.06	\$	13.05	\$	13.17	\$	13.76	\$	14.80	7.03%	7.75%	7.26%	7.07%	7.11%
15	0.17%	\$	168.21	\$	180.04	\$	194.00	\$	208.05	\$	222.72	\$	238.49	\$	11.83	\$	13.96	\$	14.05	\$	14.67	\$	15.77	7.03%	7.75%	7.24%	7.05%	7.08%
16	0.13%	Ś	179.18	Ś	191.78	Ś	206.65	Ś	221.58	Ś	237.16	Ś	253.90	Ś	12.60	Ś	14.87	Ś	14.93	Ś	15.58	Ś	16.74	7.03%	7.75%	7.22%	7.03%	7.06%
17	0.14%	Ś	190.15	Ś	203.52	Ś	219.30	Ś	235.11	Ś	251.60	Ś	269.31	Ś	13.37	Ś	15.78	Ś	15.81	Ś	16.49	Ś	17.71	7.03%	7.75%	7.21%	7.01%	7.04%
18	0.07%	Ś	201.12	Ś	215.26	Ś	231.95	Ś	248.64	Ś	266.04	Ś	284.72	Ś	14.14	Ś	16.69	Ś	16.69	Ś	17.40	Ś	18.68	7.03%	7.75%	7.20%	7.00%	7.02%
19	0.07%	Ś	212.09	Ś	227.00	Ś	244.60	Ś	262.17	Ś	280.48	Ś	300.13	Ś	14.91	Ś	17.60	Ś	17.57	Ś	18.31	Ś	19.65		7.75%	7.18%	6.98%	7.01%
20	0.05%	\$	223.06	\$	238.74	\$	257.25	\$	275.70	\$	294.92	\$	315.54	\$	15.68	\$	18.51	\$	18.45	\$	19.22	\$	20.62	7.03%	7.75%		6.97%	

Table 4-6: Option 2 Non-Residential Water Bill Impact

		Existing	Pro	oposed		Recom																			
Water	Meter	2025		2026	2027		2028	202	9	2030					Ch	ange in \$						CI	nange in	%	
<u>Use</u>	<u>Size</u>	Rates	1	<u>Rates</u>	<u>Rate</u>		<u>Rates</u>	Rate	es	<u>Rates</u>		2026		2027		2028		2029		2030	<u>2026</u>	2027	2028	<u>2029</u>	<u>2030</u>
Kgal/Mo	inches	\$		\$	\$		\$	\$		\$															
Multi-Family																									
3	5/8" & 3/4"	\$ 36.5				.20				\$ 53.57	\$	2.59		3.04	\$	3.49		3.75		4.13			8.27%		
12	1"	\$ 135.30		146.40						\$ 195.20	\$	11.10		11.35		11.76		12.34		13.35			7.45%		
35	1.5"	\$ 387.6				.39			6.41		\$	30.38		32.40	\$	32.34		33.68		36.15			7.18%		
40	2"	\$ 442.4			\$ 518				5.35		\$	38.57		37.29	\$		\$	39.35		42.34			7.27%		
325	3"	\$ 3,568.9	1 \$ 3	1,858.84	\$ 4,157	.95	\$ 4,453.35	\$ 4,76	0.32	\$ 5,088.99	Ş	289.93	\$	299.11	\$	295.40	Ş	306.97	Ş	328.67	8.12%	7.75%	7.10%	6.89%	6.90%
Commercial																									
3	5/8" & 3/4"	\$ 36.5	7 Ś	39.16	\$ 42	.20	\$ 45.69	\$ 4	9.44	\$ 53.57	Ś	2.59	Ś	3.04	Ś	3.49	Ś	3.75	Ś	4.13	7.08%	7.76%	8.27%	8.21%	8.35%
7	1"	\$ 80.4	5 \$	87.70	\$ 94	.50	\$ 101.86	\$ 10	9.65	\$ 118.15	Ś	7.25	Ś	6.80	Ś	7.36	Ś	7.79	Ś	8.50	9.01%	7.75%	7.79%	7.65%	7.75%
17	1.5"	\$ 190.1	5 \$	206.67	\$ 222	.69	\$ 239.19	\$ 25	6.49	\$ 275.18	Ś	16.52	Ś	16.02	Ś	16.50	Ś	17.30	Ś	18.69	8.69%	7.75%	7.41%	7.23%	7.29%
31	2"	\$ 343.73	3 \$	375.37	\$ 404	.47	\$ 434.23	\$ 46	5.39	\$ 499.00	Ś	31.64		29.10	Ś	29.76	Ś	31.16	Ś	33.61	9.20%	7.75%	7.36%	7.18%	7.22%
160	3"	\$ 1.758.86	5 5 1	.921.74			\$ 2,220.90				Ś	162.88		148.96		150.20	Ś	156.82		168.62	9.26%	7.75%	7.25%	7.06%	7.09%
250	4"									\$ 3,955.26	Š	244.00		231.77		231.97		241.78		259.58			7.20%		
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Restaurant																									
9	5/8" & 3/4"	\$ 102.39	\$	109.60	\$ 118	.10	\$ 126.87	\$ 13	6.08	\$ 146.03	\$	7.21	\$	8.50	\$	8.77	\$	9.21	\$	9.95	7.04%	7.76%	7.43%	7.26%	7.31%
20	1"	\$ 223.0	5 \$	240.32	\$ 258	.95	\$ 277.75	\$ 29	7.37	\$ 318.48	\$	17.26	\$	18.63	\$	18.80	\$	19.62	\$	21.11	7.74%	7.75%	7.26%	7.06%	7.10%
50	1.5"	\$ 552.10	5 \$	594.09	\$ 640	.14	\$ 685.68	\$ 73	3.01	\$ 783.71	\$	41.93	\$	46.05	\$	45.54	\$	47.33	\$	50.70	7.59%	7.75%	7.11%	6.90%	6.92%
70	2"	\$ 771.50	5 \$	833.23	\$ 897	.82	\$ 961.90	\$ 1,02	8.55	\$ 1,099.99	\$	61.67	\$	64.59	\$	64.08	\$	66.65	\$	71.44	7.99%	7.75%	7.14%	6.93%	6.95%
Brewery																									
20	2"	\$ 223.0	5 \$	246.23	\$ 265	.32	\$ 285.40	\$ 30	6.55	\$ 329.49	\$	23.17	\$	19.09	\$	20.08	\$	21.15	\$	22.94	10.39%	7.75%	7.57%	7.41%	7.48%
Industrial																									
2	5/8" & 3/4"	\$ 25.60		27.42		.55			5.00	\$ 38.16	\$	1.82		2.13		2.61		2.84		3.16			8.83%		
3	1"	\$ 36.5				.90				\$ 56.51	\$	4.17			\$	3.84		4.15		4.62	11.40%				
12	2"	\$ 135.30		152.31					1.03		\$	17.01		11.81		13.04		13.87		15.18	12.57%				
80	3"	\$ 881.20	5 \$	982.54	\$ 1,058	.70	\$ 1,138.50	\$ 1,22	2.52	\$ 1,313.54	\$	101.28	\$	76.16	\$	79.80	\$	84.02	\$	91.02	11.49%	7.75%	7.54%	7.38%	7.45%





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