

Consider Amending  
Appendix A Fee Schedule  
Bulk Water Meter Deposit

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# Purpose

- Question – Should the City Council approve an an Ordinance Amending LVCC, Appendix A Fee Schedule, Section A8.005 Bulk Water Permit to increase bulk water meter fees
- Options
  - Approve
  - Approve with modifications
  - Deny
- Declaration
  - Recommend approval as presented

# Background

- Bulk water meters are used by construction companies for site work & building construction
- Bulk meters are obtained & connected to fire hydrants at job sites
  - They provide water at a lower price than regular meters (no monthly availability charge)
  - City has issued 9 permits in the past twelve months for new construction of subdivisions & other developments

# Fiscal Impact

- Bulk meters used to cost approximately \$1,000 per meter, but price went up to \$2,500 per meter
  - If contractor fails to return meter or loses meter, they are required to forfeit the deposit as compensation
  - The increased fees will ensure enough deposit is received to cover cost of the bulk water meter
- The Edwards Aquifer Authority (EAA) fee should also be added, as this is a pass-through fee & must be paid regardless of use

# Fiscal Impact

- Current Code states:
  - “Sec. A8.005 - Bulk water permit
    - (a) Permit fee: \$65.00.
    - (b) Deposit: \$1,000.00.
    - (c) Water fee: \$3.70 per 1,000 gallons.”
- Proposed revision:
  - “Sec. A8.005 - Bulk water permit
    - (a) Permit fee: \$65.00.
    - (b) Deposit: **\$2,500.00.**
    - (c) Water fee: \$3.70 per 1,000 gallons.
    - **(d) EAA fee: \$0.62 per 1,000 gallons”**

# Recommendation

- Staff recommends approval of this Ordinance