

City Council Meeting Agenda Item Data Sheet

Meeting Date: November 20, 2023

Topic:

Adopt, on Second Reading, Ordinance 2023-47, an Ordinance of the City of Tomball, Texas, Amending its Code of Ordinances, Section 46-55, Separate Metering of Irrigation Systems; Providing for a Penalty of an Amount not to Exceed \$2,000 for Each Day of Violation of Any Provision Hereof; Making Findings of Fact; and Providing for Other Related Matters.

Background:

First Reading was adopted during the 11/06/2023 Regular City Council Meeting.

Freese & Nichols Inc. has completed the Impact Fee Study for the City of Tomball, and during this study it was noted that the current ordinance for Separate Metering of Irrigation Systems does not allow for a capital recovery fee (impact fee) to be assessed when a secondary irrigation meter is installed, despite the overall impact to the water system. As such, the City does not currently assess an impact fee for new irrigation taps even when an additional meter would require a new tap.

Based on the direct impact of irrigation use on our water distribution system, staff recommends amending Section 46-55 of the Code of Ordinances to reflect the assessment of an impact fee for an additional meter, with the fee to be determined based on the meter size and assessed at the rate approved in our Master Fee Schedule.

Origination: Project Management

Recommendation:

Adopt, on Second Reading, Ordinance Number 2023-47, authorizing Section 44-55, Separate Metering of Irrigation Systems, of the Code of Ordinances.

Party(ies) responsible for placing this item on agenda: Meagan Mageo, Project Manager

FUNDING (IF APPLICABLE)

Are funds specifically designated in the current budget for the full amount required for this purpose?

Yes: _____ No: _____ If yes, specify Account Number: # _____

If no, funds will be transferred from account # _____ To account # _____

Signed Meagan Mageo
Staff Member _____ Date _____

Approved by _____
City Manager _____ Date _____