## AGENDA ITEM COMMENTARY

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**MEETING NAME:** City Council

**MEETING DATE:** August 19, 2024

**ITEM TITLE:** Consider and take appropriate action on Resolution No. 2024-029, a

resolution directing publication of a notice of intention to issue up to

\$14 million in Certificates of Obligation for water system

improvements.

**STAFF INITIATOR:** Randy Criswell, City Manager

## **BACKGROUND:**

Over the past two years, we've spent hundreds of thousands of dollars developing and implementing design phases of a \$32.5 million Water System Capital Improvements Plan. As we've developed the financing plan for the projects, we anticipate three different funding tranches. The first is for a total of an estimated \$12.75 million and includes these projects:

- New Elevated Storage Tank \$6,500,000 Ready to bid
- Water Dist Improvements for Elevated Storage Tank \$1,500,000. Ready to bid
- EDR #2 Design \$250,000 (ongoing)
- Lubbock North Interconnect and Ground Storage \$2,000,000
  - Project design is complete and submitted to TCEQ
- Loop 88 East Supply and Ground Storage \$1,000,000
   Project design is complete and submitted to TCEQ
- Harvest Well completion \$500,000 awaiting TCEQ approval
- Overlook Wells \$1,000,000 ongoing

We anticipate the second tranche to come in about a year, and the third in 2026. Our water rate structure and impact fee adoption are based on this schedule. You'll notice the resolution is written with a not to exceed value of \$14 million, which is simply to ensure enough funding will exist in a volatile construction world.

The next step in the process is to adopt a resolution to direct the publication of a Notice Of Intention to issue the CO's. Our Bond Counsel has prepared the resolution and it is included as an exhibit.

## **EXHIBITS:**

## COUNCIL ACTION/STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Resolution as presented