

Wylie City Council

AGENDA REPORT

Department:	Public Works / Engineering	Account Code:	
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Subject			

Hold a Public Hearing, consider, and act upon, Ordinance No. 2025-36 amending Wylie's Code of Ordinances, Ordinance No. 2021-17 as amended, Appendix A (Comprehensive Fee Schedule), by adding Section XV (Drainage Utility Fees); establishing a Municipal Drainage Utility System Fee; providing for exemptions and credits; providing a repealing clause, severability clause, savings clause; providing for a criminal penalty of a fine not to exceed the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00); providing for an effective date; and providing for the publication of the caption hereof.

Recommendation

Motion to approve the Item as presented.

Discussion

Staff has worked with the consultant, Freese and Nichols Inc., to develop a set of criteria for assessing fees in a reasonable, equitable, and non-discriminatory manner (based on impervious areas such as a building or parking lot) to generate enough revenue to support the existing stormwater/drainage service. Both residential and commercial properties would be given a monthly fee on the City's water bill. The City is one of a handful of cities within the metroplex that has no stormwater fee ordinance in place, as this could support capital improvement projects (CIPs), equipment, and stormwater maintenance, as the current budget supports limited capabilities.

During the May 13, 2025 work session, guidance was given to staff to assess a \$5/month flat fee for single-family residential (regardless of size) and \$5 per whole equivalent rate unit (3,500 square feet impervious area) for all others. For example, a commercial property would have the total amount of impervious areas onsite in square feet divided by 3,500 and rounded to the next whole number, as this would be multiplied by \$5 for the monthly charge.

Exemptions for this fee include church, City, and county-owned properties.

Staff recommends approval of this proposed amendment to Appendix A (Comprehensive Fee Schedule), to add Section XV (Drainage Utility Fees).