Fiscal Year 2009 Water, Sewer & Irrigation Revenue Sufficiency Analysis

Final Report March 2009

Recommended Rate Adjusment

- Recommend Five Year Rate Adjustment based upon FY 2009 Sufficiency Analysis (Rate Study Update Schedule)
- Adoption of this Rate Adjustment Schedule will allow for the City to issue short-term debt (Bond Anticipation Note) in FY 2009
- Adoption of this Rate Adjustment Schedule will provide assurance to the market, investors, and current bond holders that the City will provide sufficient rates to maintain rate covenants

Background

- 1998 City Approved the Dames & Moore Study for expanding Utilities and Utility Plants.
- 2000 City began the First of Nine Utility Extension Projects beginning with Pine Island Road Area.
- Each successive year through 2007, Council adopted a New Utility Extension Project.
- Facilities Planning Report Updated in 2004 and Provided to Council.
- FY 2006, Council Approved moving Forward with New Facilities, Plant Expansions, and Upgrades.
- Fiscal Year 2006, Council approved Restructuring and Consolidation of Areas North of Pine Island Road to Complete Extension Program Earlier; Directed Staff to send out Mailers to that Affect.

Background-History of Rate Adjustments

Historical Changes in User Fees

Fiscal			
<u>Year</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Sewer</u>	<u>Irrigation</u>
1992	31.18%	21.40%	\$5.00
1993	6.75%	15.65%	\$5.00
1994	0.00%	0.00%	\$5.00
1995	0.00%	9.00%	\$5.90
1996	0.00%	0.00%	\$6.80
1997	0.00%	0.00%	\$7.70
1998	0.00%	1.00%	\$8.60
1999	0.00%	1.00%	\$9.50
2000	0.00%	0.00%	\$9.50
2001	0.00%	0.00%	\$9.50
2002	0.00%	0.00%	\$9.50
2003	0.00%	0.00%	\$9.50
2004	0.00%	0.00%	\$9.50
2005	14.30%	13.70%	\$9.50
2006	13.70%	11.67%	\$9.50
2007	7.00%	10.00%	\$9.50
2008	7.00%	10.00%	\$9.50
2009	7.00%	9.00%	\$9.50

May 2008 Study to March 2009 Study

Scenario 4 - No UEP, FY 2010 Bond Issue, No Prepaid Capital Expansion Fees, Increase to both Fixed & Usage Charges								
							5 Year	10 Year
	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	Cumulative	Cumulative
Water	7.00%	26.00%	26.00%	0.00%	3.00%	3.00%	68.40%	95.30%
Irrigation	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Sewer	10.00%	26.00%	26.00%	0.00%	3.00%	3.00%	68.40%	95.30%
Combined Rate Plan		23.37%	23.85%	0.00%	2.80%	2.80%	59.90%	83.40%
Average Bill	76.42	93.82	115.74	115.74	118.93	122.21	122.21	140.16

Rate Study Update								
							5 Year	10 Year
	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	Cumulative	<u>Cumulative</u>
₩ater	0.00%	30.00%	15.00%	15.00%	15.00%	3.50%	104.60%	143.00%
Irrigation	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Sewer	0.00%	30.00%	15.00%	15.00%	15.00%	3.50%	104.60%	143.00%
Combined Rate Plan	0.00%	27.09%	13.83%	13.96%	14.07%	3.31%	92.50%	126.50%
Average Bill	81.97	103.70	117.84	134.09	152.77	157.79	157.79	185.62
Monthly Increase per								
Year		21.73	14.14	16.25	18.68	5.02		

- Credit Market Collapse required Different Approach to Financing
 - 2008 projection was a debt issue in 2010 of \$250 million at 5.5% and a \$16 million issue in 2012.
 - 2009 projection issues \$75 million in 2009 at 5.5%, follow-on issue of \$222 million in 2012 at estimated 7%.
 - Debt Service Reserve now required due to municipal insurance market collapse
- Changes to Financing Costs
 - Interest rate on Commercial Paper Down from 2.5% to 1%
 - Interest on Long-Term Debt Up from 5.5% to 7%
- Single greatest impact on the rate study

- Increase in Forecasted New Connections Results in Increase in Other Revenues
 - May 2008 forecasted 260 average connections per year.
 - March 2009 forecasts 340 average connections per year following SW 5 connections.

Restructured CIP – Some items brought forward, some items moved further out.

Capital Improvement Program							
		2008		2009			
	F	Rate Study	ı	Rate Study			
Fiscal Year		No UEP		No UEP			
2008	\$	190,005,727					
2009	\$	132,476,878	\$	131,314,770			
2010	\$	21,749,091	\$	50,174,956			
2011	\$	14,110,162	\$	23,550,450			
2012	\$	8,567,500	\$	8,002,500			
2013	\$	14,445,803	\$	2,380,500			
2014	\$	6,785,058	\$	20,022,000			
2015	\$	182,000	\$	12,125,000			
2016	\$	195,750	\$	3,126,500			
2017	\$	-	\$	35,370,000			
2018	\$	-	\$	39,480,000			
2019	\$	-	\$	32,915,000			

- Revenue Projections have changed, usage is down.
 - May 2008 study revenue estimate modeled upon 2007 Actual Revenues
 - FY 2009 Rate Revenue w/Approved Inc. = \$52.3 million
 - March 2009 study revenue estimate modeled upon 2008 Actual Revenues
 - FY 2009 Rate Revenue w/Approved Inc. = \$49.8 million
- Interest Earnings
 - May 2008 study estimated at 2.5%
 - March 2009 study estimated at 1%.

- Rate Covenant:
 - May 2008 study modeled study to 1.0 times coverage of debt service
 - March 2009 study modeled study to target of 1.25 times coverage, no less than 1.10
- This change made to insure that in the future, the City will not default on its rate covenant.

- Working Capital Reserve:
 - May 2008 study assumes 3 months of operating expenses
 - March 2009 study assumes 3 months of operating expenses
- No change between studies

Operating Expenditures:

	Average Annual Increase			
	May	March		
Operating Expenses	2008	2009		
	Study	<u>Study</u>		
Salaries	5.25%	3.25%		
Health Insurance	10.00%	10.00%		
Maintenance Expenses	5.56%	3.65%		
Outside Services/Professional				
Services	5.56%	4.65%		
Electricity	8.13%	11.30%		
Fuel	5.56%	10.65%		
Chemicals	7.13%	11.30%		
Printing/Travel/Communications				
/Administrative	3.00%	2.50%		
Other Operating Costs	4.00%	3.00%		
Capital Equipment	4.00%	3.00%		

- May 2008 Study Not Acted Upon in Fiscal Year 2008.
- Information regarding UEP areas SW 6/7 and North 1-8 Water Only, included in Memorandum Dated March 23, 2009

Summary regarding No UEP vs. SW 6/7 and North 1-8.

Table 2		Five Year Cumulative Changes						
	Rate Study		Informational		Inf	formational_		
	<u>Update</u>			Item 1.		Item 2.		
Average Bill in FY 2009	\$	81.97	\$	81.97	\$	81.97		
Water		104.60%		62.60%		53.80%		
Irrigation		0.00%		0.00%		0.00%		
Sewer		104.60%		62.60%		53.80%		
Combined Rate Plan		92.50%		55.30%		47.60%		
Average Bill in Five Years	\$	157.79	\$	127.33	\$	120.99		
Increase over Five Years		75.82		45.36		39.02		