

CITY OF MILWAUKIE, OREGON

ORDINANCE NO. 1682

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 13.04 AND 13.20 OF THE MILWAUKIE MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE FOR A REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION BY THE UTILITY RATE COMMITTEE PRIOR TO ESTABLISHMENT OF WATER RATES, TO AUTHORIZE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SINKING FUND AND TO PROVIDE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING IN CASE OF THE NEED FOR A SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, the City is committed, through its Comprehensive Plan, to assure that adequate levels of public facilities and services are provided to existing residents as a first priority; and

WHEREAS, the City is further committed to the development of its own water resources and storage facilities to ensure the availability of adequate water supply and water pressure in all areas of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is dedicated to maintaining and responding to citizen involvement and inquiries in the City's planning and budgetary process, and therefore,

THE CITY OF MILWAUKIE ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Annual Review of Water Rates

- a. Section 13.04.100(A) shall be amended as follows:

"A. Charges for water supplied by the municipal water system to any consumer shall be charged for and billed to each such consumer in accordance with rates established by the City Council. Prior to the establishment of water rates by the City Council, the Milwaukie Citizens Utility Rate Committee shall prepare and deliver a report and recommendation on water rates to the City Council. The committee shall prepare and deliver its recommendation to Council on an annual basis, according to the rules established by Council. Sewer service fees as established by the City shall be added to and made a part of the billings for water service."

- b. Section 13.20.030 shall be amended as follows:

"Annual review of user fees (sewers and water charges) shall be prepared to determine the adequacy of rates. The annual review of water rates shall be accomplished in accordance with Section 13.04.100. The annual review of water rates as set forth in Section 13.04.100, shall be prepared to determine the adequacy of rates.

Rates shall be deemed adequate if they are sufficient to provide a level of revenues which will cover operating costs, depreciation, system maintenance, deb(i)t retirement and all other obligations of the sewer and water funds."

Section 2. Establishment of a Water Sinking Fund. Chapter 13.04 of the Milwaukie Municipal Code is amended by adding Section 13.04.100(D) to read as follows:

"The finance director (or designee) is authorized to provide for the establishment of a special Water Sinking Fund within the water fund budget, to provide revenue for emergency repair and maintenance costs in addition to other budgeted water revenues."

Section 3. Public Hearings. Chapter 13.04 of the Milwaukie Municipal Code is amended by adding Section 13.04.100(E) to read as follows:

"In the event the City requests a supplemental budget expenditure for the water fund, the City Council shall hold a public hearing and provide sufficient evidence to justify the necessity for a supplemental water budget."

Read the first time on May 15, 1990, and moved to second reading by vote of the City Council. Read the second time and adopted by the City Council on June 5, 1990.

APPROVED:

This 5th day of June, 1990.

Roger A. Hall
Roger A. Hall, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Terri L. Widner, City Recorder

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