

Item #3:

Ord. Amending Village Code Re: Water Rates & Tap On Fees

VILLAGE OF LONG GROVE

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-O-__

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTERS 15 AND 16 OF TITLE 8 AND
SECTION 12-1-2 OF THE LONG GROVE VILLAGE CODE
REGARDING WATER SYSTEM USER RATES AND TURN-ON FEES**

Adopted by the President and Board of
Trustees of the Village of Long Grove on
this 28th day of July, 2015

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authority of the Village of Long Grove,
County of Lake, State of Illinois, on this 29th
day of July, 2015

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WHEREAS, the Village of Long Grove operates a public water system ("**Water System**"), which currently serves a very limited portion of the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village anticipates expanding the Water System to provide public water service to additional properties, including several properties that are currently developed, or may be suitable for future development, with commercial uses that are expected to use high volumes of potable water; and

WHEREAS, due to the planned expansion and anticipated increase in Water System usage, the Village Board has reassessed the fees and rates necessary to recover the operation, maintenance, and long-term repair and replacement costs associated with the Water System and its component parts; and

WHEREAS, based on such assessment, the Village Board has determined that it is appropriate to amend the Village Code to: (i) establish turn-on fees for new Water System customers; (ii) amend the water rates charged to users of the Water System, effective January 1, 2017; and (iii) establish a program to provide discounts in connection fees and water rates for large-volume water users that demonstrate practices and technology that promote efficient use and conservation of public water resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF LONG GROVE, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE. **Recitals.** The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this Ordinance as the findings of the President and Board of Trustees.

SECTION TWO. Amendment to Section 8-15-1. Section 8-15-1, titled "Definitions," of Chapter 15, titled "Water Service Charges," of Title 8, titled "Health and Sanitation," of the Village Code is hereby amended to add the following new language to the end of said Section, following the definition of "Water Service Charge," as follows:

8-15-1:DEFINITIONS

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WATER CONNECTION STANDARDS

Population Equivalent (P.E.): The presumed water usage of a single individual per day, which is presumed at 100 gallons per day.

Residential Customer Equivalent (R.C.E.): A single family residence, or its equivalent for nonresidential uses, based on discharge of 2-1/2 times the population equivalent (P.E.), as determined by the village engineer using generally-accepted criteria and calculation methodology.

SECTION THREE. Amendment to Section 8-15-3. Section 8-15-3, titled "Water Rates," of Chapter 15, titled "Water Service Charges," of Title 8, titled "Health and Sanitation," of the Village Code is hereby amended as follows:

8-15-3: WATER RATES

Every customer connected to the village water supply system shall pay the village for the cumulative use of the water facilities at a rate as set forth in subsection 12-1-2(MM)1 of this code, **provided, however, that such rate may be reduced as set forth in section 8-15-16 of this chapter.**

SECTION FOUR. Amendment to Title 8, Chapter 16 to Add a New Section 8-15-16. Chapter 15, titled "Water Service Charges," of Title 8, titled "Health and Sanitation," of the Village Code is hereby amended to add a new Section 8-15-16, which shall be and read as follows:

8-15-16: LARGE USER CONSERVATION DISCOUNT

(A) A customer or prospective customer of the waterworks system may make an application in writing to the approving authority for large user conservation discounts as set forth in paragraphs (B) and (C) of this section. No such discount shall be granted unless the approving authority determines, in its sole discretion, that: (1) the applicant's anticipated water usage, as determined by the village engineer using generally-accepted criteria and calculation methodology, will exceed

the applicable threshold for the requested discount; and (2) the applicant has demonstrated to the reasonable satisfaction of the approving authority that such applicant has established (or will be establishing) sound water usage and management practices, measures, and/or technologies that will promote conservation and efficient use of water.

(B) Turn-on Fee. A prospective water system customer with an anticipated water usage of 10 R.C.E. or higher is eligible to apply for a 10% discount to the applicable turn-on fee as set forth in section 12-1-2(MM)(3) of this code. A prospective water system customer with an anticipated water usage of 20 R.C.E. or higher is eligible to apply for a 20% discount to such turn-on fee.

(C) Water Rates. A water system customer or prospective customer with actual or anticipated daily water usage of 10,000 gallons or more, as determined by the average daily usage over a billing cycle (“Discount Threshold”), is eligible to apply for a 50% discount to the applicable water rate as set forth in section 12-1-2(MM)(1) of this code during each billing cycle.

SECTION FIVE. Amendment to Section 8-16-2. Section 8-16-2, titled “Application for Water Service; Turn-on Fee; Deposit,” of Chapter 16, titled “Water Use Regulations,” of Title 8, titled “Health and Sanitation,” of the Village Code is hereby amended in part as follows:

8-16-2: APPLICATION FOR WATER SERVICE; TURN-ON FEE; DEPOSIT

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(B) Turn-on Fee: A fee as set forth in subsection 12-1-2(MM)3 of this code shall be paid for turning on the water. The only exceptions to this will be: **(1) when the customer temporarily relocated to another home out of state, in which case a fee shall be added to the bill at the time of turn-on; or (2) when the customer applies for and receives a large user conservation discount in accordance with section 8-15-16 of this code, in which case the discounted fee shall be paid for turning on the water.**

SECTION SIX. Amendment to Section 12-1-2. Section 12-1-2 titled “Fees,” of Chapter 1, titled “Fee Schedule,” of Title 12, titled “Fees and Costs” of the Village Code is hereby amended, as follows:

12-1-2 FEES

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(MM)	Water Service:	
	1. Water Rate The total minimum quarterly fee shall in no event be less than \$150.00 for single-family residential users and \$500.00 for all other users	\$14.00/ 1,000 gallons
	2. Water service resumption fee	\$150.00
	3. Turn-on fee	<u>\$7,000.00/</u> <u>R.C.E.</u>
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SECTION SEVEN. Further Amendment to Section 12-1-2 Effective January 1

2017. Section 12-1-2 titled "Fees," of Chapter 1, titled "Fee Schedule," of Title 12, titled "Fees and Costs" of the Village Code is hereby amended, effective January 1, 2017, as follows:

12-1-2 FEES

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SECTION EIGHT. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and

effect after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form in the manner provided by law, provided, however that the amendment to the Water Rate set forth in Section 12-1-2 of the Village Code pursuant to Section Seven of this Ordinance shall not take effect until January 1, 2017.

PASSED THIS 28TH DAY OF JULY, 2015.

AYES: () Trustees
NAYS: ()
ABSENT: ()
ABSTAIN: ()

APPROVED THIS 28TH DAY OF JULY, 2015.

Angela Underwood, Village President

ATTEST:

Heidi Locker-Scheer, Village Clerk

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