

Public Hearing: August 23, 2010

**F A C T S H E E T**

**TITLE:** Proposed Resolution to increase Water Use Charges

**SPONSOR:** Public Works/Utilities

**OPPONENTS:** Unknown

**OTHER DEPARTMENTS AFFECTED:**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** For

**APPLICANT:** Public Works/Utilities

**REASON FOR LEGISLATION:** To establish a new schedule for water use charges to increase revenues for the Lincoln Water System for purposes of covering a portion of the System’s operational and maintenance costs including debt service, and a portion of the costs of the Capital Improvements Program for F.Y. 2010-11.

**D I S C U S S I O N**

The Public Works/Utilities Department recommends that the current schedule of water use charges be increased by 5% as shown below. This results in an 89¢ monthly increase to the average residential water bill. The Lincoln Water System is proposing to implement these increases with the “H” billing cycle commencing in November 2010, and ending in January 2011.

<u>Current Schedule</u>	<u>New Schedule</u>
<b>Residential Property:</b>	
122.0¢/HCF for the first 800 C.F. of water per dwelling unit per month	128.0¢
173.5¢/HCF for the first 1,500 C.F. of water per dwelling unit per month	182.0¢
269.0¢/HCF for all additional water used each month	282.0¢
<b>Schedule B Customers:</b>	
122.0¢/HCF for the first 8,000 C.F. of water used each month	128.0¢
173.5¢/HCF for all additional water used each month	182.0¢
<b>Schedule C Customers:</b>	
115.5¢/HCF for water usage less than base to 5% above base	121.5¢
120.0¢/HCF for water usage 5% - 15% above base	126.0¢
124.0¢/HCF for water usage 15% - 25% above base	130.0¢
128.0¢/HCF for water usage for all water usage over 25% above base	134.0¢

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