

#19-0308

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: April 16, 2019

TITLE: Water and Sewer Rate Study Presentation and Discussion

In April 2018 the City awarded a contract to Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. (Stantec) to create an interactive water and sewer rate model to evaluate the City's current rate structures. The proposed rate structure is intended to provide an equitable, reliable, and predictable revenue structure to fund the City's utility operation, including infrastructure requirements.

Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. has prepared a FY 2018 Water and Wastewater Comprehensive Rate Study – Final Draft Report. The report evaluates the current and projected financial performance of the City's Water and Wastewater Enterprise Funds over a ten-year projection period and recommends rate revenue adjustments that will provide sufficient revenue to support the City's utility over the ten-year projection period.

Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. will present this information to City Commission at its April 16, 2019 Conference Meeting and to the Budget Advisory Board (BAB) at their meeting on April 17, 2019.

Resource Impact

The study is intended to produce a revenue neutral rate structure. The impacts on individual water and sewer bills will vary based upon customer classification category (e.g. residential, multi-family, or wholesale) and monthly water use.

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the **Internal Support Cylinder**, specifically advancing:

- Goal 12: Be a leading government organization, managing our resources wisely and sustainably.
- Objective 1: Ensure sound fiscal management

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Community.

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – FY 2018 Water and Wastewater Comprehensive Rate Study – Final Draft Report

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