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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Utilities Administration

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DATE: September 19, 2017

SUBJECT

Consider adoption of an ordinance amending the schedule of wastewater rates contained in Ordinance No. 2016-275; providing for an amendment in the rates for dyno dirt products (Schedule CWM); amending the collection and transportation services permit (Schedule SWP); amending the special facilities rider; amending the special conditions rider; providing for a repealer; providing for a severability clause; and providing for an effective date. The Public Utilities Board recommends approval (7-0).

BACKGROUND

The attached Wastewater Rate Ordinance (Exhibit 1) includes no retail rate increases per the direction of the Public Utility Board at the June 26th, 2017 meeting. Ordinance changes include the following.

- Added a rate for Dyno Dirt “Overs”, which is a waste by-product of creating Dyno Dirt. A portion of the “overs” are used to create Landscape Mulch. The unused portion is stored on-site and is eventually disposed. Selling Dyno Dirt “Overs” offsets disposal costs and saves space.
- Revised Collection and Transportation Services permit language and fee schedule to align with cost of service, remove entities not allowed to be permitted by the State under current permit rules, and remove fees for various engine categories.
- Revised the Special Condition and Special Facilities Rider to require City Manager approval for expenditures less than \$100,000 and Public Utility Board and Council approval for items over \$100,000

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the ordinance, with an effective date of October 1, 2017.

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (Council, Boards, Commissions)

Proposed FY 2017-2018 Utilities budgets and FY 2018-2022 CIP's were presented to the PUB during May through July 2017. The rate ordinance was approved by the PUB on July 24, 2017 by a vote of 7-0. The budgets, including rate ordinances, were presented to the City Council for review on August 3, 2017.

FISCAL INFORMATION

The proposed rates will provide the revenues necessary to cover the cost of service to customers.

STRATEGIC PLAN RELATIONSHIP

The City of Denton's Strategic Plan is an action-oriented road map that will help the City achieve its vision. The foundation for the plan is the five long-term Key Focus Areas (KFA): Organizational Excellence; Public Infrastructure; Economic Development; Safe, Livable, and Family-Friendly Community; and Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship. While individual items may support multiple KFAs, this specific City Council agenda item contributes most directly to the following KFA and goal:

Related Key Focus Area: Public Infrastructure

Related Goal: 2.3 Promote superior utility services and facilities

EXHIBITS

1. Agenda Information Sheet
2. Proposed FY 2017-2018 Wastewater Rate Ordinance

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