



Staff Report

Agenda Item: PUBLIC HEARING – A Public Hearing to receive public input on the proposed reclaimed water fees of \$2.00 per thousand gallons and the amendment of the Town’s water fees relating to water line taps.

Meeting Date: March 25, 2008

Prepared By: Ron Doba, Utilities Director

Background: The Town Council discussed the rate for reclaimed water at a work session on September 11, 2007. A reclaimed water rate comparison sheet was provided at that time to the Council by Steve Burroughs, Public Works Director. The audio tape from the meeting indicates the rate was recommended by Council to be set at \$2.00 per thousand gallons and no objection was voiced.

An additional change that is required due to the new Water Code is to delete the section “Water Line Taps” that was adopted with Resolution No. 1227. That section reads as follows:

“Water Line Taps - The Clarkdale Municipal Water Utility contracts with an appropriately licensed contractor in the State of Arizona to provide meter tap services. Customers have the option of requesting that the Town authorize the Town’s approved contractor to perform the tap, or to select their own contractor to do so. If the Town’s contractor is used, the actual cost for the tap plus a 10% administrative fee will be reimbursed to the Town by the customer as a “Water Line Tap Fee.”

The wording in the new Water Code that replaces the wording in Resolution No. 1227 is as follows:

“Section 19-5-1 Connection Tap to Town Municipal Water System
All taps shall be performed by the Town’s licensed contractor or Water Division forces. The Water Division reserves the right to contract with a contractor appropriately licensed in the State of Arizona to provide water tapping services.

On February 12, 2008, the Town Council adopted a Notice of Intent to Set Reclaimed Water Fees of \$2.00 per thousand gallons and Amend the Town’s Water Fees Relating to Water Line Taps. The Notice of Intent

established the date for the Public hearing of March 25, 2008, in accordance with ARS Title 9-511.01.

Recommendation: Open the public hearing.
Receive citizen input.
Close the public hearing.