

# FOR BOARD ACTION

**Agenda Item # 10**

**Meeting Date: 1/31/12**

**SUBJECT:**

Environmental Permit Fees – MN/DNR Water Use Fees

**PREPARED BY:**

Bill Cook, Manager Work Management and Integrated Services

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

The appropriation and use of surface and ground water in the State of Minnesota is regulated by Minnesota Statutes 103G.271 and Minnesota Rules Chapter 6115. Subp. 6 of the statute prescribes the fees for annual water use. Revenue from these fees paid to the State of Minnesota is used to support the cost of the Minnesota DNR-Division of Water's Water Appropriation Program.

The following water use fees exceed the GM approval level, thus payment requires Board Action:

- Municipal water system (ground water) Permit #795076 -- \$51,810

RPU Main Water System							
	Billion Gallons	\$ per Million Gal.	Base Fee	Total Surcharge Volume (MG)	Summer Surcharge Fee per MG	Summer Surcharge	Total Water Use Fee
2011	4.4	\$8.00	\$35,559	541.69	\$30	\$16,251	<b>\$51,810</b>
2010	4.5	\$8.00	\$35,648	412.51	\$30	\$12,375	<b>\$48,030</b>
2009	4.7	\$8.00	\$37,331	510.50	\$30	\$15,315	<b>\$52,646</b>
2008	4.8	\$8.00	\$38,147	697.10	\$20	\$13,942	<b>\$52,089</b>
2007	5.1	\$7.50	\$38,273	781.50	\$20	\$15,629	<b>\$53,902</b>
2006	5.1	\$7.50	\$38,047	914.90	\$20	\$18,298	<b>\$56,345</b>
2005	4.7	\$7.50	\$35,238	N/A	N/A	N/A	<b>\$35,238</b>
2004	4.6	\$7.50	\$34,364	N/A	N/A	N/A	<b>\$34,364</b>
2003	5.0	\$7.50	\$37,492	N/A	N/A	N/A	<b>\$37,492</b>
2002	4.5	\$4.50	\$20,476	N/A	N/A	N/A	<b>\$20,476</b>

FOR CAPITAL PURCHASES/BIDS/MAJOR PROJECTS:

The 2012 budget includes the cost for all environmental fees including annual water use fees.

UTILITY BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Staff requests Utility Board approval of the resolution authorizing payment of water use fees, totaling \$51,810, to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

  
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General Manager

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## RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, to authorize payment of water use fees for Municipal water system (ground water) Permit #795076 in the amount of \$51,810 to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

Passed by the Public Utility Board of the City of Rochester, Minnesota, this 31st day of January, 2012.

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President

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Secretary