FOR BOARD ACTION

Agenda Item #

Meeting Date:

6/29/10

SUBJECT:

Discussion of Community Lighting Fee

PREPARED BY:

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ITEM DESCRIPTION:

On May 4, 2010, the City Council adopted Ordinance 3964 creating and enacting Chapter 77B of the Rochester Code of Ordinances establishing a Community Lighting Utility. The administration further directed the RPU Board and staff to implement the fee based on a cost of service study that is currently being conducted.

The community lighting portion of the cost of service study will be presented to the Board for the preliminary notice on the proposed rates as directed by City Council. The proposed rates are attached. The preliminary rates will be published for communication to the public. The proposed implementation schedule is:

- 1. Presentation of cost of service results for community lighting June 29, 2010
- 2. Publish preliminary rates to provide notice to the public June 30, 2010
- 3. Consideration of recommendation on rates to Council by the Utility Board July 27, 2010
- 4. Consideration of the approval of rates by Council August X, 2010
- 5. Implementation of rates September 1, 2010

FOR CAPITAL PURCHASES/BIDS/MAJOR PROJECTS:

Not Applicable

UTILITY BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Management recommends that the Utility Board:

- 1. As directed by the City Council, authorize staff to give preliminary notice to the public of the intent to implement community lighting fees effective on or about September 1, 2010.
- 2. No action is required on the cost of service study or rates at this time. Recommendation of approval to the City Council will be required at the July 27, 2010 meeting.

ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES

Community Lighting Cost of Service Study

| | | | Adjusted | | | |
|------------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|---------|--------|
| | No of | | Weighting | No of | Monthly | |
| Customer Class | Customers | Meter Costs | Factor | Customers | | Rate |
| Residential | 41,506 | \$ 121 | 1 | 41,506 | \$ | 1.82 |
| General Service | 4,012 | 471 | 3.89 | 15,617 | \$ | 7.09 |
| Medium General Service | 401 | 907 | 7.49 | 3,004 | \$ | 13.64 |
| Large General Service | 22 | 6,139 | 50.74 | 1,116 | \$ | 92.40 |
| Large Industrial | 2 | 12,639 | 104.45 | 209 | \$ | 190.23 |
| Totals | 45,943 | | | 61,452 | | |