

INFORMAL STAFF

MEMORANDUM

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Date: May 14, 2015

Subject: Future connections to wastewater lines in Flour Bluff

Issue / Problem:

During a City Council meeting on May 12, 2015, in a Presentation for a rezoning case, Council Member Chad Magill, inquired on how current residents in the adjacent area of the rezoning case, could connect to a future wastewater line to be built by the developer of this case.

Background and Findings:

The subject property does not currently have wastewater service to it. The developer of the property, at the time of platting, will be required to extend wastewater service to the property. Any property adjacent to the new line can connect to it for public wastewater service.

Based on the Unified Development Code (UDC), the property connecting to the line would be subject to pay Pro-Rata Fees based on the property size and pay for a wastewater tap fee before they could connect to the new wastewater line.

Pro-Rata Fee: A fee required to be paid by the applicant as a front foot charge for the use of a wastewater facility which serves property being platted or developed, but which was not installed by the applicant. The current pro-rata fee is published in the Development Services fee schedule contained in Chapter 14, Municipal Code.

Current Pro-Rata Fee: \$12.18/linear foot of property width.

Current WW Tap Fee: Vary from \$873 - \$1385 (plus surcharge fee) based on size and location of tap.

Staff Recommendation:

At the time of wastewater line, any property that can connect to the line, can pay the pro-rata and tap fees and receive wastewater service from the City.