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May 14, 2015

Board of County Commissioners
Clackamas County

Members of the Board:

**Board Resolution and Public Hearing Adding a New Rate for Street Lighting
Service Charges in Clackamas County Service District No. 5**

Purpose/Outcomes	Approval of this Resolution will add a new rate (Rate W) for Westbrook Street Lighting Service Charges
Dollar Amount and Fiscal Impact	New Rate W: \$250 per tax lot each year collected annually
Funding Source	District rates establish annual assessments levied against properties provided street lighting
Safety Impact	None
Duration	Fiscal Years 2014-2015 and 2015-16
Previous Board Contact	None
Contact Person	Wendi Coryell, Service District Specialist 503-742-4657
Contract No.	None

BACKGROUND:

Clackamas County Service District No. 5 (the "District") provides street lighting service to unincorporated Clackamas County and the cities of Happy Valley and Damascus. The cost of street lighting is paid by direct assessment of benefiting property owners within the District. Rates for the District are set annually in conjunction with the budgeting process. Current rates for FY 2014/15 were adopted on June 26, 2014, by Board Order No. 2014-66, with an effective date of July 1, 2014.

The Westbrook style fixture and pole is a decorative style of streetlighting, similar to the Techtra style currently on the districts approved rate schedule. Unlike the Techtra, the Westbrook is considered dark-sky friendly and allowed for Light Emitting Diode installation. In light of these benefits, the City of Happy Valley has requested the District add this new style of street lighting for new installations where Techtra would normally be installed. The Westbrook style fixture and pole are currently on Portland General Electric's approved list of street lighting options. There are no Westbrook style lights in use within the District at this time.

The proposed rate schedule adds a new rate category for the remainder of FY 2014/15, Rate W. This will allow the District to allow installation of Westbrook street lights and collect annual assessments for these installations at an appropriate rate to cover service related costs. The District is only allowed by statute to modify a rate once per six months. Staff anticipates that this rate will be sufficient for service related costs in FY 2015/16 as well.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners, acting in the capacity of governing board for Clackamas County Service District No. 5:

1. Hold a public hearing on the question of the creation of rate category W; and
2. If deemed appropriate by the Board given public testimony, approve the attached Resolution to adopt new rate schedule W for Clackamas County Service District No. 5.

For additional information, please contact Wendi Coryell at 503-742-4657.

Respectfully submitted,



Wendi Coryell, Service District Specialist
Clackamas County Service District No. 5

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY, STATE OF OREGON**

In the Matter of a Resolution
Adding a New Rate Category for
Street Lighting Service Charges,
Clackamas County Service District No. 5,
Clackamas County, Oregon



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This matter coming before the Board of County Commissioners of Clackamas County, Oregon, acting as the governing body of Clackamas County Service District No. 5 (the "District"), and it appearing to the Board that rates for street light service in the District were last set by Order No. 2014-66; and

It further appearing that the rates charged are user fees, and that such assessments are a revenue source essential to the continuing viability of Service District No. 5; and

It further appearing that constituents of the District have requested an additional type of street lighting service relating to the installation and use of "Westbrook" fixtures, and the Board is willing to accommodate that request; and

It further appearing that in order to effectuate the same, the rate schedules as established by Commissioners' Order No. 2014-66 must be amended to add a new rate schedule as follows:

Rate Schedule W = \$ 250.00 per tax lot each year

RATE SCHEDULE W

Residential lots which are benefitted by the installation and maintenance of PGE owned street lights on decorative aluminum poles on adjacent public rights-of-way. Lights in this schedule are Westbrook fixtures on decorative aluminum poles, owned and maintained by PGE, and used exclusively for street lighting. They are primarily served by underground wiring.

It further appearing to the Board that such new rate is necessary to clearly define and distribute operating costs for the District to the users benefitted thereby; and

It further appearing to the Board that a public hearing was held on May 14, 2015 to take public testimony and said public hearing was duly advertised in the local newspaper; now, therefore,

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IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that commencing May 14, 2015, the rates for service charges to the users of Clackamas County Service District No. 5 Rate Schedule W will be as follows:

Rate Schedule W= \$ 250.00 per tax lot each year

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2015.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Acting as the Governing Body of the
Clackamas County Service District No. 5

Chair

Recording Secretary