

**CITY OF WATERTOWN, NEW YORK
AGENDA**

This shall serve as notice that an adjourned City Council meeting will be held on Monday, **June 2, 2014, at 6:45 p.m.** in the City Council Chambers, 245 Washington Street, Watertown, New York.

LOCAL LAW

- Local Law No. 1 of 2014 - A Local Law amending Sections 253-17 and 253-28 Of the City of Watertown Code of the City of Watertown

- Local Law No. 2 of 2014 - A Local Law Overriding the Tax Levy Limit Established by New York General Municipal Law §3-c

ADJOURNMENT

Local Law No. 1 of 2014

May 29, 2014

To: The Honorable Mayor and City Council
From: James E. Mills, City Comptroller
Subject; Local Law Amending Sewer Rates

Included in the Proposed Fiscal Year 2014-15 Sewer Fund Budget were increases to certain sewer rates. The metered sewer service rates were to be increased 5% and the tanker hauled sludge and leachate rates were to be increased 20%. Attached is a local law to put those increases into place with bills dated after July 1, 2014.

This Local Law amending the City Code is subject to a Public Hearing which is recommended to be held on June 16, 2014 at 7:30 p.m.

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 Council Member MACALUSO, Teresa R.
 Mayor GRAHAM, Jeffrey E.
 Total

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Introduced by

A Local Law to amend Sections 253-17 and 253-28 of the City of Watertown Code of the City of Watertown.

WHEREAS a public hearing was held on this amendment on June 16, 2014, at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Watertown, New York that §253-17 of the City Code of the City of Watertown is modified to read as follows:

C. Rates.

(1) The basis for the normal sewer service charge shall be the volume of water consumed from the Public Water Supply System by the individual property owner. The rates for both domestic and industrial metered sewer service within the City of Watertown shall be as follows:

(a) QUARTERLY METER RATES:

First 1,200 cubic feet (8,976 gallons)	\$37.80 per 1,000 cubic feet (7,480 gallons)
Over 1,200 cubic feet (8,976 gallons)	\$22.05 per 1,000 cubic feet (7,480 gallons)

(b) MONTHLY METER RATES:

First 400 cubic feet (2,992 gallons)	\$37.80 per 1,000 cubic feet (7,480 gallons)
Over 400 cubic feet (2,992 gallons)	\$22.05 per 1,000 cubic feet (7,480 gallons)

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(c) MINIMUM CHARGE FOR QUARTERLY INSIDE CITY USE:

Meter Size	Cubic Feet	Gallons	Minimum Charge
5/8"	900	6,732	\$ 34.02
3/4"	1,500	11,220	51.98
1 "	2,700	20,196	78.44
1 1/2"	5,100	38,148	131.36
2 "	8,400	62,832	204.12
3 "	15,900	118,932	369.50
4 "	26,400	197,472	601.02
6 "	51,900	388,212	1,163.30
8 "	84,000	628,320	1,871.10
10"	120,000	897,600	2,664.90

(d) MINIMUM CHARGE FOR MONTHLY INSIDE CITY USE:

Meter Size	Cubic Feet	Gallons	Minimum Charge
5/8"	300	2,244	\$ 11.34
3/4"	500	3,740	17.33
1 "	900	6,732	26.15
1 1/2"	1,700	12,716	43.79
2 "	2,800	20,944	68.04
3 "	5,300	39,644	123.17
4 "	8,800	65,824	200.34
6 "	17,300	129,404	387.77
8 "	28,000	209,440	623.70
10"	40,000	299,200	888.30

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(2) Eldery Exemption

Unit	Charge
1	\$ 3.78
2	\$ 7.56
3	\$11.34
4	\$15.12
5	\$18.90
6	\$22.68
7	\$26.46
8	\$30.24

And,

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Watertown that §253-28 of the City Code of the City of Watertown is modified to read as follows:

G. Fees for the acceptance of hauled waste for treatment at the wastewater treatment plant shall be as follows:

- (1) Four and two-tenths cents (\$0.042) per gallon for hauled waste less than or equal to 5.6% solids by weight.
- (2) For all leachate: three cents (\$0.03) per gallon.
- (3) Nine cents (\$0.09) per pound (dry weight) for hauled waste over 5.6% solids by weight

And,

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the Sewer Service Charges shall be instituted with the sewer bills dated on or after July 1, 2014 and contained on all bills, and

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Local Law shall take effect immediately upon its being filed in the Office of the Secretary of State.

Seconded by

Local Law No. 2 of 2014

May 27, 2014

To: The Honorable Mayor and City Council
From: James E. Mills, City Comptroller
Subject: Property Tax Cap Override Legislation

As the proposed property tax levy increase exceeds the allowable levy increase pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-c (the Property Tax Cap) a local law to override the limit must be approved prior to adoption of the budget.

The updated Proposed Fiscal Year 2014-15 General Fund Budget includes a property tax levy of \$8,302,601 which represents an increase of \$781,896 or 10.40%. The property tax cap limit was \$7,837,538 which represents an increase of \$316,833 or 4.21%.

Staff is recommending a public hearing be set for Monday, June 16th at 7:30 p.m. to hear public comments.

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A Local Law overriding the tax levy limit established by New York General Municipal Law §3-c

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Introduced by

A local law to override the tax levy limits established by New York General Municipal Law §3-c.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Watertown desires to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the City of Watertown pursuant to General Municipal Law §3-c, and to allow the City of Watertown to adopt a budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c; and

WHEREAS, such override is authorized by the provisions of subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-c, which expressly authorizes the City Council to override the tax limit by adoption of a local law approved by a vote of at least sixty percent (60%) of the City Council.

WHEREAS a public hearing on this was held on June 16, 2014, at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers;

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERTOWN, NEW YORK AS FOLLOWS:

Tax Levy Limit Override: The City Council of the City of Watertown, County of Jefferson is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year 2014-2015 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law §3-c.

Severability: If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, individual, firm or corporation, or circumstance, shall be adjudicated by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the

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controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Effective Date: This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Seconded by