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August 23, 2018

Ms. Gina Mellenthin  
4N150 Pine Grove  
Bensenville, Illinois 60106

Re: August 20, 2018 FOIA Request

Dear Ms. Mellenthin:

I am pleased to help you with your August 20, 2018 Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"). The Village of Bensenville received your request on August 20, 2018. You requested copies of the items indicated below:

*"I would like to know what the costs are that make up my sewer charge of \$12.74/1000 gallons? (i.e., Collection cost, Treatment cost, and any other cost)"*


After a search of Village files, the following documents are enclosed to fulfill your request:

- 1) Village of Bensenville Information Sheet for Ordinance No. 68-2017. (2 pgs.)
- 2) Village of Bensenville Ordinance No. 68-2017. (8 pgs.)

These are all of the documents that can be discovered responsive to your request.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns in connection with this response.

Very truly yours,

  
Corey Williamsen  
Freedom of Information Officer  
Village of Bensenville

**TYPE:**Ordinance**SUBMITTED BY:**Amit Thakkar**DEPARTMENT:**Finance**DATE:**December 12, 2017**DESCRIPTION:**

An Ordinance Amending Section 8-7-7 of the Chapter Seven of the Village of Bensenville Code Establishing the Water/Sewer Rates Effective January 1, 2018 and onward

**SUPPORTS THE FOLLOWING APPLICABLE VILLAGE GOALS:**

x	Financially Sound Village	x	Enrich the lives of Residents
x	Quality Customer Oriented Services		Major Business/Corporate Center
x	Safe and Beautiful Village		Vibrant Major Corridors

**COMMITTEE ACTION:**

This item was presented at the Committee of the Whole Meeting this evening.

**DATE:**

December 12, 2017

**BACKGROUND:**

The Village owns and operates Water and Sewer System. The water rate study carried out in 2014 automatically raises the rates by 7.5% but by doing the financial analysis of the water and sewer system the new rate structure is recommended. We have eliminated the capital recovery line item and the same have been added to water and sewer charges to simplify the rate structure. The fixed debt service fees have been reworded as the Fixed Charge. The customers outside the corporate limits of the Village of Bensenville will pay 50% more than the customer within the corporate limits of the Village of Bensenville.

**KEY ISSUES:**

- The rate study was carried out in 2014 and it automatically raises the rates by 7.5%.
- A new rate structure is suggested and will be implemented by the passing of the attached ordinance.
- Village has lost more than 50 million gallons of billable consumption annually in last 3 years because of the water conservation efforts.

The new water bill amounts are described as below.

Details	1,000 Gallon	2,000 Gallon	5,000 Gallon	10,000 Gallon
Current Bill Total	\$ 26.84	\$ 45.01	\$ 99.52	\$ 190.37
Proposed Bill Total	\$ 28.49	\$ 46.98	\$ 102.45	\$ 194.90
\$ Charge	\$ 1.65	\$ 1.97	\$ 2.93	\$ 4.53
% Change	6.15%	4.38%	2.94%	2.38%

Details	20,000 Gallon	50,000 Gallon	100,000 Gallon	1,000,000 Gallon
Current Bill Total	\$ 399.33	\$ 1,026.19	\$ 2,070.97	\$ 20,876.92
Proposed Bill Total	\$ 414.90	\$ 1,074.90	\$ 2,174.90	\$ 21,974.90
\$ Charge	\$ 15.58	\$ 48.71	\$ 103.94	\$ 1,097.99
% Change	3.90%	4.75%	5.02%	5.26%

The Variable rate changes are as below.

Charges	Current Rate		New Rate	
	Upto 10000 Gallon	More than 10000 Gallon	Upto 10000 Gallon	More than 10000 Gallon
Water (per 1000 gallon)	9.68	9.05	10.00	12.00
Sewer (per 1000 gallon)	8.49	9.29	8.49	10.00
Total	18.17	18.34	18.49	22.00

The fixed rate changes are as below:

Detail	Meter Sizes						
	0.75	1.0	1.5	2.0	3.0	4.0	6.0
Current Fixed Charge	8.67	28.93	57.91	92.66	173.69	288.67	578.84
New Charge	10.00	30.00	60.00	100.00	180.00	300.00	600.00
Change	1.33	1.07	2.09	7.34	6.31	11.33	21.16

**ALTERNATIVES:**

At the discretion of the Board.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the approval of the Ordinance

**BUDGET IMPACT:**

With the new rates in place and by keeping the consumption constant at the level of 2017, Village will receive \$11,872,880 in total revenue for water/sewer fund.

**ACTION REQUIRED:**

Approve the Ordinance.  
the discretion of the Board.

**ATTACHMENTS:****Description****Upload Date****Type**Ordinance

12/4/2017

Cover Memo

**VILLAGE OF BENSENVILLE  
12 S. CENTER STREET  
BENSENVILLE, ILLINOIS 60106**

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**Ordinance No. 68-2017**

**An Ordinance of the Village of Bensenville, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois  
Amending Section 8-7-7 of Chapter Seven of Title Eight of the  
Bensenville Village Code with Regard to Water and Sewer Rates**

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**ADOPTED BY THE  
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE  
VILLAGE OF BENSENVILLE  
THIS 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2017**

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Published in pamphlet form by authority of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bensenville, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois this 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017

STATE OF ILLINOIS     )  
COUNTIES OF COOK    )  
SS AND DUPAGE         )

I, Corey Williamsen, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed Deputy Village Clerk of the Village of Bensenville, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois, and as such officer, I am the keeper of the records and files of said Village; I do further certify that the foregoing constitutes a full, true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 68-2017 entitled an Ordinance of the Village of Bensenville, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois Amending Section 8-7-7 of Chapter Seven of Title Eight of the Bensenville Village Code with Regard to Water and Sewer Rates.

INWITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my official hand and seal on this 13th day of December, 2017.



  
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Corey Williamsen  
Deputy Village Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 68-2017

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF BENSENVILLE, DUPAGE AND  
COOK COUNTIES, ILLINOIS AMENDING SECTION 8-7-7 OF CHAPTER  
SEVEN OF TITLE EIGHT OF THE BENSENVILLE VILLAGE CODE  
WITH REGARD TO WATER AND SEWER RATES**

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**WHEREAS**, the Village of Bensenville, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois (the "*Village*") is a duly organized and existing municipal corporation created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois and under the provisions of the Illinois Municipal Code, as from time to time supplemented and amended; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5/1-1-1, *et seq.*, the Village owns and operates sewer and water infrastructure and facilities (the "*System*") within and outside the corporate boundaries of the Village; and

**WHEREAS**, the Illinois Municipal Code further authorizes the Village to charge for the maintenance, use and operation of the System and to establish rates for that purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to simplify the current rate structure, the debt service charge is being reclassified as a fixed charge and the capital recovery charge is being eliminated and incorporated into the base water and sewer charges; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village has carefully considered the operation, condition and maintenance of the System and the revenues and expenses associated therewith.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bensenville, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois, as follows:

**Section 1.** That the above recitals and legislative findings are found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in their entirety.

**Section 2.** The Corporate Authorities find and determine that it is necessary and desirable to amend the Bensenville Village Code for the purpose set forth herein and that the adoption of this Ordinance is in the best interests of the Village.

**Section 3.** Section 8-7-7 ("*Rates*") of Chapter Seven ("*Water and Sewer Service Regulations*") of Title 8 ("*Public Ways and Property*") of the Bensenville Village Code, is hereby amended by deleting the following stricken language and adding the underlined language to read, as follows:

**SECTION 8-7-7: RATES**

A. Within the Corporate Limits: Effective January 1, ~~2017~~ 2018

	Meter Size (Inches)						
	<del>5/8-or-3/4</del>	1	1.5	2	3	4	6
<b>Water charge:</b>							
First 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	\$6.85	\$6.85	\$6.85	\$6.85	\$6.85	\$6.85	\$6.85
Above 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	7.88	7.88	7.88	7.88	7.88	7.88	7.88
<b>Sewer charge:</b>							
First 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	5.42	5.42	5.42	5.42	5.42	5.42	5.42
Above 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	6.22	6.22	6.22	6.22	6.22	6.22	6.22
Nonmetered account—fixed sewer fee	48.78	48.78	48.78	48.78	48.78	48.78	48.78
<b>Fixed debt service charge:</b>							
Water service fixed debt service fee	2.90	9.75	19.30	30.95	58.13	96.95	193.71
Sewer service fixed debt service fee	5.77	19.18	38.61	61.71	115.56	192.52	385.31

<b>Capital recovery charge:</b>							
Water capital recovery per 1,000 gallons	2.83	2.83	2.83	2.83	2.83	2.83	2.83
Sewer capital recovery per 1,000 gallons	3.07	3.07	3.07	3.07	3.07	3.07	3.07
Sewer capital recovery nonmetered (fixed)	27.63	27.63	27.63	27.63	27.63	27.63	27.63
<b>Senior discount per month</b>	1.54	1.54	1.54	1.54	1.54	1.54	1.54
<b>Industrial pretreatment:</b>							
First 1,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	8.32	8.32	8.32	8.32	8.32	8.32	8.32
Above 1,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28

	<b>Meter Size (Inches)</b>						
	<u>3/8 or 1/4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>
<b>Water charge:</b>							
First 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Above 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
<b>Sewer charge:</b>							
First 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	8.49	8.49	8.49	8.49	8.49	8.49	8.49
Above 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Nonmetered account - fixed sewer fee	76.41	76.41	76.41	76.41	76.41	76.41	76.41
<b>Fixed service charge:</b>	10.00	30.00	60.00	100.00	180.00	300.00	600.00
<b>Senior discount per month</b>	1.54	1.54	1.54	1.54	1.54	1.54	1.54
<b>Industrial pretreatment:</b>							
First 1,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	8.32	8.32	8.32	8.32	8.32	8.32	8.32
Above 1,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.28



- B. Outside the Corporate Limits: Effective January 1, 2017 2018, one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the incorporated rates:

	Meter Size (Inches)						
	$\frac{3}{8}$ or $\frac{1}{4}$	1	1.5	2	3	4	6
<b>Water charge:</b>							
First 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	\$10.28	\$10.28	\$10.28	\$10.28	\$10.28	\$10.28	\$10.28
Above 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	11.82	11.82	11.82	11.82	11.82	11.82	11.82
<b>Sewer charge:</b>							
First 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	8.13	8.13	8.13	8.13	8.13	8.13	8.13
Above 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.33
Nonmetered account—fixed sewer fee	73.17	73.17	73.17	73.17	73.17	73.17	73.17
<b>Fixed debt service charge:</b>							
Water service fixed debt service fee	4.36	14.64	28.95	46.43	87.20	145.44	290.57
Sewer service fixed debt service fee	8.65	28.77	57.93	92.57	173.34	288.78	577.97
<b>Capital recovery charge:</b>							
Water capital recovery per 1,000 gallons	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.25
Sewer capital recovery per 1,000 gallons	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.60
Sewer capital recovery nonmetered (fixed)—	41.40	41.40	41.40	41.40	41.40	41.40	41.40
<b>Industrial pretreatment:</b>							
First 1,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	12.48	12.48	12.48	12.48	12.48	12.48	12.48
Above 1,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	1.92	1.92	1.92	1.92	1.92	1.92	1.92

	Meter Size (Inches)						
	$\frac{3}{8}$ or $\frac{1}{4}$	1	1.5	2	3	4	6
<b>Water charge:</b>							
First 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00

<u>Above 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)</u>	<u>18.00</u>	<u>18.00</u>	<u>18.00</u>	<u>18.00</u>	<u>18.00</u>	<u>18.00</u>	<u>18.00</u>
<b><u>Sewer charge:</u></b>							
<u>First 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)</u>	<u>12.74</u>	<u>12.74</u>	<u>12.74</u>	<u>12.74</u>	<u>12.74</u>	<u>12.74</u>	<u>12.74</u>
<u>Above 10,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)</u>	<u>15.00</u>	<u>15.00</u>	<u>15.00</u>	<u>15.00</u>	<u>15.00</u>	<u>15.00</u>	<u>15.00</u>
<u>Nonmetered account - fixed sewer fee</u>	<u>114.62</u>	<u>114.62</u>	<u>114.62</u>	<u>114.62</u>	<u>114.62</u>	<u>114.62</u>	<u>114.62</u>
<b><u>Fixed service charge:</u></b>	<u>15.00</u>	<u>45.00</u>	<u>90.00</u>	<u>150.00</u>	<u>270.00</u>	<u>450.00</u>	<u>900.00</u>
<b><u>Industrial pretreatment:</u></b>							
<u>First 1,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)</u>	<u>12.48</u>	<u>12.48</u>	<u>12.48</u>	<u>12.48</u>	<u>12.48</u>	<u>12.48</u>	<u>12.48</u>
<u>Above 1,000 gallons per month (per 1,000 gallons)</u>	<u>1.92</u>	<u>1.92</u>	<u>1.92</u>	<u>1.92</u>	<u>1.92</u>	<u>1.92</u>	<u>1.92</u>

**Section 4.** If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance.

**Section 5.** All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**Section 6.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect:

- i. upon its passage, approval and publication as provided by law; and
- ii. shall apply to all service charges on and after January 1, 2018.

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**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bensenville, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December 2017, pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

APPROVED:

  
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Frank DeSimone, Village President

ATTEST:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Nancy Quinn, Village Clerk

AYES: Carmona, Franz, Jaworska, Lomax, Panicola, Perez

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None