

ATTACHMENT "A"

RESOLUTION NO: 16-06
Resolution Regarding Multi-Year Water System Rate Increase

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF PAULDING

WHEREAS, the Paulding County Board of Commissioners is charged with the responsibility of protecting the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Paulding County;

WHEREAS, the Paulding County Board of Commissioners is the governing authority for the Paulding County Water System (hereinafter "the System");

WHEREAS, Paulding County currently receives its water supply for consumer use from the Cobb County Marietta Water Authority (hereinafter "CCMWA") through a Water Service Contract;

WHEREAS, the CCMWA periodically implements water rate changes for its wholesale customers, such as Paulding County;

WHEREAS, increases in the volumetric rate charge by CCMWA results in a change to the volumetric water rate for all customers of the System, including its wholesale customers, including the City of Dallas, the City of Hiram and Polk County;

WHEREAS, Paulding County is constructing the Richland Creek Reservoir program (hereinafter "RCR program") to provide potable water to the customer of the System;

WHEREAS, in order to provide revenue for the payment of debt for construction of the RCR program, and to protect the credit rating and financial strength of the Paulding County System's enterprise fund, a multi-year rate increase is proposed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Paulding County Board of Commissioners as follows:

1.

The System and the Paulding County Finance Department are hereby authorized to adopt and implement future wholesale volumetric water rate changes, as such changes are set forth by the CCMWA, and for such volumetric water rate changes to be reflected in the water rates charged to both wholesale and retail System customers.

2.

The System and the Paulding County Finance Department are hereby directed to increase water rates an additional four and seventy five hundredths percent (4.75%) annually in addition to any rate increase set forth by CCMWA. These annual rate increases are effective for five (5) years beginning January 1, 2017 to fund the RCR program.

3.

The System and the Paulding County Finance Department are hereby directed to increase sewer rates four percent (4%) annually. These annual rate increases are effective for five (5) years beginning January 1, 2017.

4.

In addition, the System and the Paulding County Finance Department are hereby directed to increase the monthly base charge applied to all active accounts according to the following schedule:

Base Charge effective January 1	Residential, dollars per month		Commercial and Irrigation, dollars per month	
	Water	Sewer	Water	Sewer
2017	\$6.00	\$2.50	\$9.00	\$5.50
2018	\$6.00	\$2.50	\$9.00	\$5.50
2019	\$7.00	\$3.00	\$10.00	\$6.00
2020	\$7.00	\$3.00	\$10.00	\$6.00
2021	\$7.50	\$3.00	\$10.50	\$6.00

5.

All other ordinance and Resolutions of the Paulding County Board of Commissioners not in conflict with this Resolution shall remain in full force and effect.

SO RESOLVED THIS 23rd DAY OF February, 2016.

VOTE OF RESOLUTION

	Yes	No	Abstain/Absent
Chairman David Austin	<u>✓</u>	—	—
Post 1 [VACANT]	—	—	—
Post 2 Todd Pownall	<u>✓</u>	—	—
Post 3 Vernon Collett	<u>✓</u>	—	—
Post 4 Tony Crowe	<u>✓</u>	—	—

ATTEST *Pat J. Huts*
Clerk, Paulding County Board of Commissioners