

City of Seward, NE
Tuesday, October 6, 2015
Regular Session

Item G3

**CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING WATER
UTILITY RATES- Andrew Ross, NMPP & Bruce Smith**

Administrative Report: Based on the current rate study conducted by NMPP, we are not proposing an electric or sewer rate increase. The only proposed increase is to the water utility.

Following review and discussion, a motion to adopt the ordinance would be in order.

Staff Contact:

Seward, NE -- 2015 Cost of Service Study Update							
Electric Department							
Financial Proforma and 5 Year Rate Track							
PRELIMINARY 10/1/15							
Item FYE September	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
a Sales Growth Base Load	1.4%	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%
b Administration Inflation	3.8%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
c General Inflation		3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
d Interest Rate on Cash Balances	0.5%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.9%	1.1%	1.3%
e Purchase Power Adjustments	5.8%	-0.5%	3.5%	2.4%	2.0%	2.0%	2.7%
f Rate Adjustments	4.4%	4.7%	0.0%	0.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
effective date	May 2014	Oct, 2014	Oct, 2015	Oct, 2016	Oct, 2017	Oct, 2018	Oct, 2019
1 Revenues							
2 Retail Sales	8,907,261	9,373,256	9,513,855	9,656,563	10,095,453	10,554,292	11,033,984
3 Other Operating Rev	52,673	142,025	98,000	100,940	103,968	107,087	110,300
4 Total Revenues	8,959,934	9,515,281	9,611,855	9,757,503	10,199,422	10,661,379	11,144,284
5 Expenses							
6 Power Purchased	6,119,846	6,054,253	6,359,893	6,611,692	6,845,085	7,086,717	7,385,443
7 Distribution	1,005,922	954,652	1,117,877	1,151,413	1,185,956	1,221,534	1,258,180
8 Facilities and Operation	50,000	45,769	50,469	51,983	53,543	55,149	56,803
9 Administrative and General	457,818	419,688	563,574	580,481	597,896	615,833	634,308
10 Total O&M	7,633,586	7,474,362	8,091,813	8,395,570	8,682,479	8,979,232	9,334,734
11 Depreciation	570,077	614,450	686,204	771,779	887,447	968,487	1,018,940
12 Franchise Fee to General Fund \$/G UPIS	\$ 0.0045	447,148	476,523	485,000	441,596	448,220	454,943
13 Interest Income	(30,972)	(43,890)	(39,701)	(44,357)	(66,016)	(59,715)	(58,069)
14 Total Electric Expense	8,619,839	8,521,445	9,223,315	9,564,587	9,952,130	10,342,948	10,757,373
15 Net Operating Income	340,095	993,836	388,540	192,915	247,291	318,431	386,912
16 Net Income Target % of UPIS	4.0%	298,625	287,675	335,553	432,585	491,849	551,642
17 Net Income Actual % of UPIS		4.6%	13.8%	4.6%	1.8%	2.0%	2.3%
18 Debt Coverage Ratio		2.58	4.72	2.42	1.44	1.83	2.10
19 COS Revenue Requirement			9,460,868				
20 Other Revenues & (Expenses)							
21 Interest on existing LT Debt	(93,016)	(89,568)	(87,075)	(83,086)	(77,724)	(71,783)	(64,774)
22 Interest Proposed Series 2016			(65,516)	(63,901)	(62,253)	(60,573)	(58,859)
23 Interest Proposed Series 2017				(60,000)	(58,521)	(57,012)	(55,474)
24 Non Operating Income	10,000	16,572	13,000	13,195	13,393	13,594	13,798
25 Total Profit / Loss	257,079	920,841	248,949	(877)	62,186	142,657	221,602
26 Net Utility Plant in Service (NUPIS)	7,465,635	7,191,863	8,388,821	10,814,614	12,296,235	13,791,040	14,418,553
27 Gross Utility Plant in Service (G UPIS)	14,667,697	16,574,443	19,850,228	22,222,228	24,729,862	26,409,862	26,424,862
28 Net UPIS/ OCUP	51%	43%	42%	49%	50%	52%	55%
29 Cash Inflows		1	2	3	4	5	6
30 Net Income	257,079	920,841	248,949	(877)	62,186	142,657	221,602
31 New Borrowed Funds		-	3,275,785	3,000,000			
32 Depreciation	570,077	614,450	686,204	771,779	887,447	968,487	1,018,940
33 Cash Inflows	827,156	1,535,291	4,210,938	3,770,902	949,633	1,111,144	1,240,542
34 Cash Outflows							
35 Capital Improvements & CWIP	311,900	1,906,746	3,275,785	2,372,000	2,507,634	1,680,000	15,000
36 Principal on Existing Debt	240,000	245,000	250,000	340,000	260,000	265,000	275,000
37 Principal on Series 2016	-	-		80,748	82,363	84,010	85,690
38 Principal on Proposed Series 2017					73,950	75,429	76,937
39 Cash Outflows	\$ 551,900	\$ 2,151,746	\$ 3,525,785	\$ 2,792,748	\$ 2,923,947	\$ 2,104,439	\$ 452,628
40 Change in Cash	275,256	(616,455)	685,153	978,154	(1,974,314)	(993,295)	787,914
41 Cash Balance	6,459,103	5,842,648	6,527,800	7,505,954	5,531,641	4,538,346	5,326,260
42 Minimum Cash Balance Target	3,056,768	3,182,294	3,426,377	3,876,163	4,214,832	4,250,266	4,206,286

Cash Reserve Policy			2014	"Must Have" Cash
1	O&M Expenses	7,633,586	25%	1,908,397
2	Gross Utility Plant in Service (G UPIS)	14,667,697	1%	146,677
3	Deposits	90,850	100%	90,850
4	Debt Service	333,016	100%	333,016
5	Current Year Capital Improvements less Borrowin	311,900	10%	31,190
6	Five Year Capital Improvements less Borrowings	5,466,380	10%	546,638
Minimum Reserve Target			3,056,768	1,378,065

NMPP
Engineering Services

Seward, NE
2015 Cost of Service/
Rate Design Study

			Seward, NE Sewer Department 2014 Cost of Service/Rate Design Study For FYE PRELIMINARY September 30, 20145							
	For FYE		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
a	Sales Growth Base Load		5.32%	0.5%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%	0.50%
b	Administration Inflation				3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
c	General Inflation		20.7%	4.2%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
d	Interest Rate on Cash Balances		0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%
e	Rate Adjustments			5.4%	0.0%	0.0%	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%
	Effective			May. 1, 2014	Oct. 1, 2014	Oct. 1, 2015	Oct. 1, 2016	Oct. 1, 2017	Oct. 1, 2018	Oct. 1, 2019
1	Revenues									
2	Retail Sales		1,249,715	1,284,223	1,330,405	1,337,057	1,404,210	1,474,737	1,548,805	1,626,594
4	Other Operating Rev		199,191	34,000	35,195	36,432	37,713	39,038	40,411	41,831
5	Total Revenues		1,448,906	1,318,223	1,365,600	1,373,489	1,441,923	1,513,775	1,589,216	1,668,425
6	Expenses									
7	PRODUCTION		387,743	365,945	376,923	388,231	399,878	411,874	424,231	436,957
8	PLANT - O & M		129,229	171,500	176,645	181,944	187,403	193,025	198,816	204,780
9	CUSTOMER SERVICE & BILLING		260,879	253,241	260,838	268,663	276,723	285,024	293,575	302,382
10	COLLECTION - O & M		32,540	65,500	67,465	69,489	71,574	73,721	75,932	78,210
11	FRANCHISE FEE		72,908	64,200	66,126	68,110	70,153	72,258	74,425	76,658
12	Total O&M		883,299	920,386	947,997	976,437	1,005,730	1,035,902	1,066,979	1,098,988
13	Depreciation and Amortization		398,140	402,016	413,528	427,766	443,676	459,928	460,786	447,703
14	Interest Income		(6,364)	(7,249)	(7,358)	(11,254)	(8,118)	(7,715)	(7,124)	(7,647)
15	Total Water Expense		1,275,075	1,315,153	1,354,167	1,392,949	1,441,289	1,488,115	1,520,641	1,539,045
16	Net Operating Income		173,831	3,070	11,433	(19,460)	634	25,660	68,575	129,380
17	Net Income Target % of UPIS	4.0%	321,539	337,607	327,020	327,591	325,593	313,883	304,404	292,898
18	Net Income Actual % of UPIS		2.2%	0.0%	0.1%	-0.2%	0.0%	0.3%	0.9%	1.8%
19	COS Revenue Requirement			1,618,759						
20	Debt Coverage Ratio		1.76	1.253	1.30	1.27	1.37	1.50	1.64	1.78
21	Other Revenues & (Expenses)									
22	Interest on New LT Debt					-	-	-	-	-
23	Interest on Existing LT Debt		(134,419)	(133,243)	(130,755)	(127,460)	(123,640)	(119,025)	(113,678)	(108,578)
24	Sinking Fund		(15,000)	(15,000)	(15,000)	(15,000)	(15,000)	(15,000)	(15,000)	(15,000)
25	Total Profit / Loss		39,412	(130,172)	(119,322)	(146,920)	(123,006)	(93,365)	(45,102)	20,803
26	Depreciated Utility Plant in Service (UPIS)		8,038,483	8,440,171	8,175,496	8,189,773	8,139,836	7,847,071	7,610,111	7,322,447
27	Gross Utility Plant in Service		10,123,491	10,278,546	10,739,008	11,153,470	11,329,432	11,565,038	11,733,500	11,895,500
28	Depreciated UPIS / Gross UPIS		79%	82%	76%	73%	72%	68%	65%	62%
29	Cash Inflows									
30	Net Income		39,412	(130,172)	(119,322)	(146,920)	(123,006)	(93,365)	(45,102)	20,803
31	Grants/Donation		-	80,000						
32	Depreciation Expense		398,140	402,016	413,528	427,766	443,676	459,928	460,786	447,703
33	Cash Inflows		437,552	351,844	294,206	280,846	320,671	366,563	415,684	468,506
34	Cash Outflows									
35	Capital Improvements & CWIP		837,192	155,055	460,462	414,462	175,962	235,606	168,462	162,000
36	Principal on Existing Debt		190,000	190,000	195,000	195,000	200,000	205,000	210,000	215,000
37	Principal on New Debt					-	-	-	-	-
38	Cash Outflows		1,027,192	345,055	655,462	609,462	375,962	440,606	378,462	377,000
39	Change in Cash		(589,640)	6,790	(361,256)	(328,616)	(55,291)	(74,043)	37,222	91,506
40	Cash Balance Includes Sinking Fund		1,449,861	1,471,651	1,125,394	811,778	771,487	712,444	764,666	871,171
41	Cash Balance Target		1,102,227	1,059,061	1,092,061	1,059,419	1,039,824	948,824	895,966	854,206

Cash Reserve Policy				2014
1	O&M Expenses	920,386	25%	230,096
2	Gross Utility Plant in Service	10,278,546	1%	102,785
3	Deposits	-	100%	-
4	Debt Service	323,243	100%	323,243
5	Current Year Capital Improvements less Bor	155,055	20%	31,011
6	Five Year Capital Improvements less Borrow	1,859,628	20%	371,926
Minimum Reserve Target				1,059,061

			Seward, NE Water Department 2014 Cost of Service/ For FYE September PRELIMINARY - September 21, 2015						
	For FYE September		2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	
a	Sales Growth Base Load		0.75%	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%	
b	Administration Inflation		3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	
c	General Inflation		3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	
d	Interest Rate on Cash Balances		0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	
e	Rate Adjustments		0.0%	2.6%	2.6%	2.6%	2.6%	2.6%	
	For FYE September	Effective date	Nov. 1, 2015	Oct. 1, 2016	Oct. 1, 2017	Oct. 1, 2018	Oct. 1, 2019		
1	Revenues								
2	Retail Sales		1,774,891	1,830,822	1,896,516	1,960,420	2,026,476	2,094,758	
3	Other Operating Rev		39,238	39,532	39,828	39,828	39,828	39,828	
4	Total Revenues		1,814,129	1,870,354	1,936,345	2,000,248	2,066,304	2,134,586	
5	Expenses								
6	ADMINISTRATIVE		266,213	274,200	282,426	290,898	299,625	308,614	
7	DISTRIBUTION		23,228	23,924	24,642	25,381	26,143	26,927	
8	PRODUCTION		302,991	312,081	321,443	331,086	341,019	351,250	
9	WELLS & TOWER-O & M		37,853	38,988	40,158	41,362	42,603	43,881	
10	PLANT - O & M		210,429	216,742	223,244	229,941	236,840	243,945	
11	FRANCHISE TAX		98,288	101,236	104,273	107,402	110,624	113,942	
12	Total O&M		939,001	967,171	996,186	1,026,072	1,056,854	1,088,560	
13	Depreciation		322,051	376,313	408,911	454,021	443,844	480,477	
14	Interest Income		(6,156)	(10,726)	(9,202)	(7,374)	(6,935)	(7,000)	
15	Total Water Expense		1,254,896	1,332,758	1,395,895	1,472,719	1,493,764	1,562,037	
17	Net Operating Income		559,233	537,596	540,450	527,529	572,541	572,550	
18	Net Income Target % of UPIS	5.0%	463,979	496,685	534,890	547,881	554,132	573,983	
19	Net Income Actual % of UPIS		6.0%	5.4%	5.1%	4.8%	5.2%	5.0%	
20	Debt Service		407,943	402,090	400,480	402,828	404,286	404,821	
21	Debt Coverage Ratio		2.16	2.27	2.37	2.44	2.51	2.60	
22	COS Revenue Requirement								
23	Other Revenues & (Expenses)								
25	Interest on Existing LT Debt		(147,943)	(142,090)	(135,480)	(127,828)	(119,286)	(109,821)	
27	Sinking Fund		(20,000)	(20,000)	(20,000)	(20,000)	(20,000)	(20,000)	
28	Total Profit / Loss		391,290	375,506	384,970	379,702	433,256	442,731	
31	Sales increase		0.75%	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%	
32	Sales CF		32,549,679	32,793,802	33,039,755	33,287,553	33,537,210	33,788,739	
34	Rate Yield	\$	0.05	\$	0.06	\$	0.06	\$	0.06
37	Net Utility Plant in Service (N-UPIS)		9,279,584	9,933,702	10,697,804	10,957,629	11,082,632	11,479,661	
38	Gross Utility Plant in Service (G-UPIS)		18,503,460	19,569,422	20,782,884	21,521,346	22,109,808	23,017,573	
39	Net UPIS/ OCUP		50%	51%	51%	51%	50%	50%	
40	Cash Inflows								
41	Net Income		391,290	375,506	384,970	379,702	433,256	442,731	
42	New Borrowed Funds (intra-department)		-						
44	Grants/Donation								
45	Depreciation Expense		322,051	376,313	408,911	454,021	443,844	480,477	
46	Cash Inflows		713,341	751,819	793,880	833,724	877,101	923,208	
47	Cash Outflows								
48	Capital Improvements & CWIP		90,462	1,065,962	1,213,462	738,462	588,462	907,765	
49	Principal on Existing Debt		260,000	260,000	265,000	275,000	285,000	295,000	
52	Cash Outflows		350,462	1,325,962	1,478,462	1,013,462	873,462	1,202,765	
53	Change in Cash		362,879	(574,143)	(684,582)	(179,738)	3,639	(279,557)	
54	Cash Balance Includes Sinking Fund		3,899,814	3,345,671	2,681,089	2,521,351	2,544,989	2,285,433	
55	Cash Balance Target		1,752,882	1,909,372	1,881,572	1,828,726	1,873,894	1,956,897	

Cash Reserve Policy				2014
1	O&M Expenses	899,473	25%	224,868
2	Gross Utility Plant in Service (G-UPIS)	17,308,498	1.00%	173,085
3	Deposits	4,240	100%	4,240
4	Debt Service	386,277	100%	386,277
5	Current Year Capital Improvements less Borrowings	1,940,323	20%	388,065
6	Five Year Capital Improvements less Borrowings	5,414,709	20%	1,082,942
7	Minimum Reserve Target			2,259,476

Table C
Comparison of Revenue from Existing Rates
to Revenue from Proposed Rates October 2015

Line	Rate Class	Revenue Existing Rates	Revenue Proposed Rates	Difference	
				\$	%
1	Residential and Commercial Inside City Limit	\$ 1,672,930	\$ 1,716,653	\$ 43,723	2.6%
2	Residential and Commercial Outside City Limit	30,664	30,664	-	0.0%
4	Total	\$ 1,703,594	\$ 1,747,317	\$ 43,723	2.6%

Appendix Table B - 1
2014 Cost of Service/
Typical Bill Comparison
Existing vs. Proposed Rates
Residential and Commercial Inside City Limit

Line	Inside City Limits						area of meter
	Existing			Proposed			
1	Meter Charge By Size	1" or Less	\$ 10.55	Meter Charge By Size	1" or Less	\$ 11.65	0.79
2		1.5"	\$ 23.74		1.5"	\$ 26.21	1.25
3		2"	\$ 42.20		2"	\$ 46.60	3.14
4		3"	\$ 94.95		3"	\$ 104.85	7.07
5		4"	\$ 168.80		4"	\$ 186.40	12.56
6		6"	\$ 379.80		6"	\$ 419.40	36.00
7		8"	\$ 675.20		8"	\$ 745.60	50.24
8	Commodity		\$/CF	Commodity		\$/CF	Cust. cos
9	First 1,200 CF	1" or Less	\$ 0.0356	First 1,200 CF	1" or Less	\$ 0.0356	proposed
10	Excess 1,200 CF	1" or Less	\$ 0.0424	Excess 1,200 CF	1" or Less	\$ 0.0424	\$ 14.89
11	First 1,800 CF	1.5"	\$ 0.0356	First 1,800 CF	1.5"	\$ 0.0356	\$ 14.75
12	Excess 1,800 CF	1.5"	\$ 0.0424	Excess 1,800 CF	1.5"	\$ 0.0424	
13	First 2,400 CF	2"	\$ 0.0356	First 2,400 CF	2"	\$ 0.0356	
14	Excess 2,400 CF	2"	\$ 0.0424	Excess 2,400 CF	2"	\$ 0.0424	
15	First 3,600 CF	3"	\$ 0.0356	First 3,600 CF	3"	\$ 0.0356	
16	Excess 3,600 CF	3"	\$ 0.0408	Excess 3,600 CF	3"	\$ 0.0408	
17	First 4,800 CF	4"	\$ 0.0356	First 4,800 CF	4"	\$ 0.0356	
18	Excess 4,800 CF	4"	\$ 0.0408	Excess 4,800 CF	4"	\$ 0.0408	
19	First 7,200 CF	6"	\$ 0.0356	First 7,200 CF	6"	\$ 0.0356	
20	Excess 7,200 CF	6"	\$ 0.0408	Excess 7,200 CF	6"	\$ 0.0408	
21	First 9,600 CF	8"	\$ 0.0356	First 9,600 CF	8"	\$ 0.0356	
22	Excess 9,600 CF	8"	\$ 0.0408	Excess 9,600 CF	8"	\$ 0.0408	
Existing Rate Revenue			\$ 1,672,930	Proposed Rate Revenue			
Proposed Rate Revenue			\$ 1,716,653	Proposed Rate Increase			2.6%

1" or Less					
Line #	Monthly Usage CF	Monthly Bill		% Inc. / (Dec.)	\$ Inc. / (Dec.)
		Existing	Proposed		
1	100	\$ 14.11	\$ 15.21	7.8%	\$ 1.10
2	200	\$ 17.67	\$ 18.77	6.2%	\$ 1.10
3	300	\$ 21.23	\$ 22.33	5.2%	\$ 1.10
4	400	\$ 24.79	\$ 25.89	4.4%	\$ 1.10
5	500	\$ 28.35	\$ 29.45	3.9%	\$ 1.10
6	600	\$ 31.91	\$ 33.01	3.4%	\$ 1.10
7	700	\$ 35.47	\$ 36.57	3.1%	\$ 1.10
8	800	\$ 39.03	\$ 40.13	2.8%	\$ 1.10
9	900	\$ 42.59	\$ 43.69	2.6%	\$ 1.10
10	1,000	\$ 46.15	\$ 47.25	2.4%	\$ 1.10
11	1,500	\$ 67.35	\$ 68.45	1.6%	\$ 1.10
12	2,000	\$ 88.55	\$ 89.65	1.2%	\$ 1.10
13	2,500	\$ 109.75	\$ 110.85	1.0%	\$ 1.10
14	3,000	\$ 130.95	\$ 132.05	0.8%	\$ 1.10
15	3,500	\$ 152.15	\$ 153.25	0.7%	\$ 1.10
16	4,000	\$ 173.35	\$ 174.45	0.6%	\$ 1.10
17	4,500	\$ 194.55	\$ 195.65	0.6%	\$ 1.10
18	5,000	\$ 215.75	\$ 216.85	0.5%	\$ 1.10
19	10,000	\$ 427.75	\$ 428.85	0.3%	\$ 1.10
20	15,000	\$ 639.75	\$ 640.85	0.2%	\$ 1.10
21	25,000	\$ 1,063.75	\$ 1,064.85	0.1%	\$ 1.10
22	35,000	\$ 1,487.75	\$ 1,488.85	0.1%	\$ 1.10
23	45,000	\$ 1,911.75	\$ 1,912.85	0.1%	\$ 1.10
24	55,000	\$ 2,335.75	\$ 2,336.85	0.0%	\$ 1.10
25	65,000	\$ 2,759.75	\$ 2,760.85	0.0%	\$ 1.10

1.5"					
Monthly Usage CF	Monthly Bill		% Inc. / (Dec.)	\$ Inc. / (Dec.)	
	Existing	Proposed			
100	\$ 27.30	\$ 29.77	9.0%	\$ 2.47	
200	\$ 30.86	\$ 33.33	8.0%	\$ 2.47	
300	\$ 34.42	\$ 36.89	7.2%	\$ 2.47	
400	\$ 37.98	\$ 40.45	6.5%	\$ 2.47	
500	\$ 41.54	\$ 44.01	5.9%	\$ 2.47	
600	\$ 45.10	\$ 47.57	5.5%	\$ 2.47	
700	\$ 48.66	\$ 51.13	5.1%	\$ 2.47	
800	\$ 52.22	\$ 54.69	4.7%	\$ 2.47	
900	\$ 55.78	\$ 58.25	4.4%	\$ 2.47	
1,000	\$ 59.34	\$ 61.81	4.2%	\$ 2.47	
1,500	\$ 77.14	\$ 79.61	3.2%	\$ 2.47	
2,000	\$ 96.34	\$ 100.81	2.5%	\$ 2.47	
2,500	\$ 119.54	\$ 122.01	2.1%	\$ 2.47	
3,000	\$ 140.74	\$ 143.21	1.8%	\$ 2.47	
3,500	\$ 161.94	\$ 164.41	1.5%	\$ 2.47	
4,000	\$ 183.14	\$ 185.61	1.3%	\$ 2.47	
4,500	\$ 204.34	\$ 206.81	1.2%	\$ 2.47	
5,000	\$ 225.54	\$ 228.01	1.1%	\$ 2.47	
6,000	\$ 267.94	\$ 270.41	0.9%	\$ 2.47	
7,000	\$ 310.34	\$ 312.81	0.8%	\$ 2.47	
8,000	\$ 352.74	\$ 355.21	0.7%	\$ 2.47	
9,000	\$ 395.14	\$ 397.61	0.6%	\$ 2.47	
10,000	\$ 437.54	\$ 440.01	0.6%	\$ 2.47	
15,000	\$ 649.54	\$ 652.01	0.4%	\$ 2.47	
20,000	\$ 861.54	\$ 864.01	0.3%	\$ 2.47	

2"					
Line #	Monthly Usage CF	Monthly Bill		% Inc. / (Dec.)	\$ Inc. / (Dec.)
		Existing	Proposed		
5	100	\$ 45.76	\$ 50.16	9.6%	\$ 4.40
6	200	\$ 49.32	\$ 53.72	8.9%	\$ 4.40
7	300	\$ 52.88	\$ 57.28	8.3%	\$ 4.40
8	400	\$ 56.44	\$ 60.84	7.8%	\$ 4.40
9	500	\$ 60.00	\$ 64.40	7.3%	\$ 4.40
10	600	\$ 63.56	\$ 67.96	6.9%	\$ 4.40
11	700	\$ 67.12	\$ 71.52	6.6%	\$ 4.40
12	800	\$ 70.68	\$ 75.08	6.2%	\$ 4.40
13	900	\$ 74.24	\$ 78.64	5.9%	\$ 4.40
14	1,000	\$ 77.80	\$ 82.20	5.7%	\$ 4.40
15	1,500	\$ 95.60	\$ 100.00	4.6%	\$ 4.40
16	2,000	\$ 113.40	\$ 117.80	3.9%	\$ 4.40
17	2,500	\$ 134.60	\$ 139.00	3.3%	\$ 4.40
18	3,000	\$ 155.80	\$ 160.20	2.8%	\$ 4.40
19	3,500	\$ 177.00	\$ 181.40	2.5%	\$ 4.40
20	4,000	\$ 198.20	\$ 202.60	2.2%	\$ 4.40
21	4,500	\$ 219.40	\$ 223.80	2.0%	\$ 4.40
22	5,000	\$ 240.60	\$ 245.00	1.8%	\$ 4.40
23	10,000	\$ 452.60	\$ 457.00	1.0%	\$ 4.40
24	15,000	\$ 664.60	\$ 669.00	0.7%	\$ 4.40
25	20,000	\$ 876.60	\$ 881.00	0.5%	\$ 4.40
26	25,000	\$ 1,088.60	\$ 1,093.00	0.4%	\$ 4.40
27	30,000	\$ 1,300.60	\$ 1,305.00	0.3%	\$ 4.40
28	35,000	\$ 1,512.60	\$ 1,517.00	0.3%	\$ 4.40
29	40,000	\$ 1,724.60	\$ 1,729.00	0.3%	\$ 4.40

3"					
Monthly Usage CF	Monthly Bill		% Inc. / (Dec.)	\$ Inc. / (Dec.)	
	Existing	Proposed			
100	\$ 98.51	\$ 108.41	10.0%	\$ 9.90	
200	\$ 102.07	\$ 111.97	9.7%	\$ 9.90	
300	\$ 105.63	\$ 115.53	9.4%	\$ 9.90	
400	\$ 109.19	\$ 119.09	9.1%	\$ 9.90	
500	\$ 112.75	\$ 122.65	8.8%	\$ 9.90	
600	\$ 116.31	\$ 126.21	8.5%	\$ 9.90	
700	\$ 119.87	\$ 129.77	8.3%	\$ 9.90	
800	\$ 123.43	\$ 133.33	8.0%	\$ 9.90	
900	\$ 126.99	\$ 136.89	7.8%	\$ 9.90	
1,000	\$ 130.55	\$ 140.45	7.6%	\$ 9.90	
1,500	\$ 148.35	\$ 158.25	6.7%	\$ 9.90	
2,000	\$ 166.15	\$ 176.05	6.0%	\$ 9.90	
2,500	\$ 183.95	\$ 193.85	5.4%	\$ 9.90	
3,000	\$ 201.75	\$ 211.65	4.9%	\$ 9.90	
3,500	\$ 219.55	\$ 229.45	4.5%	\$ 9.90	
4,000	\$ 239.95	\$ 249.85	4.1%	\$ 9.90	
4,500	\$ 260.35	\$ 270.25	3.8%	\$ 9.90	
5,000	\$ 280.75	\$ 290.65	3.5%	\$ 9.90	
10,000	\$ 494.75	\$ 494.65	2.0%	\$ 9.90	
15,000	\$ 698.75	\$ 698.65	1.4%	\$ 9.90	
25,000	\$ 1,096.75	\$ 1,106.65	0.9%	\$ 9.90	
35,000	\$ 1,504.75	\$ 1,514.65	0.7%	\$ 9.90	
45,000	\$ 1,912.75	\$ 1,922.65	0.5%	\$ 9.90	
55,000	\$ 2,320.75	\$ 2,330.65	0.4%	\$ 9.90	
60,000	\$ 2,524.75	\$ 2,534.65	0.4%	\$ 9.90	

4"					
Line #	Monthly Usage CF	Monthly Bill		% Inc. / (Dec.)	\$ Inc. / (Dec.)
		Existing	Proposed		
9	500	\$ 186.60	\$ 204.20	9.4%	\$ 17.60
10	600	\$ 193.72	\$ 211.32	9.3%	\$ 17.60
11	700	\$ 197.28	\$ 214.88	9.1%	\$ 17.60
12	800	\$ 200.84	\$ 218.44	8.8%	\$ 17.60
13	900	\$ 204.40	\$ 222.00	8.6%	\$ 17.60
14	1,000	\$ 207.96	\$ 225.56	8.4%	\$ 17.60
15	1,500	\$ 240.00	\$ 257.60	7.3%	\$ 17.60
16	2,000	\$ 275.60	\$ 293.20	6.4%	\$ 17.60
17	3,000	\$ 311.20	\$ 328.80	5.7%	\$ 17.60
18	4,000	\$ 352.00	\$ 369.60	5.0%	\$ 17.60
19	5,000	\$ 393.60	\$ 411.20	4.1%	\$ 17.60
20	6,000	\$ 435.20	\$ 452.80	3.2%	\$ 17.60
21	7,000	\$ 476.80	\$ 498.40	2.3%	\$ 17.60
22	8,000	\$ 518.40	\$ 539.60	1.4%	\$ 17.60
23	9,000	\$ 560.00	\$ 580.80	0.5%	\$ 17.60
24	10,000	\$ 601.60	\$ 622.00	0.3%	\$ 17.60
25	15,000	\$ 864.00	\$ 885.60	0.2%	\$ 17.60
26	20,000	\$ 1,126.40	\$ 1,148.00	0.2%	\$ 17.60
27	25,000	\$ 1,388.80	\$ 1,410.40	0.1%	\$ 17.60
28	30,000	\$ 1,651.20	\$ 1,672.80	0.1%	\$ 17.60
29	35,000	\$ 1,913.60	\$ 1,935.20	0.1%	\$ 17.60

Appendix Table B - 3
2014 Cost of Service/
Typical Bill Comparison
Existing vs. Proposed Rates
Residential and Commercial Outside City Limit

Line	Outside City Limits					
	Existing			Proposed		
1	Customer Charge	1" or Less	\$ 15.15	Meter Charge By Size	1" or Less	\$ 15.15
2		1.5"	\$ 34.08		1.5"	\$ 34.08
3		2"	\$ 60.58		2"	\$ 60.58
4		3"	\$ 136.32		3"	\$ 136.32
5		4"	\$ 242.34		4"	\$ 242.34
6		6"	\$ 545.26		6"	\$ 545.26
7		8"	\$ 969.36		8"	\$ 969.36
	Commodity \$/CF			Commodity \$/CF		
8	First 1,200 CF	1" or Less	\$ 0.05376	First 1,200 CF	1" or Less	\$ 0.0538
9	Excess 1,200 CF	1" or Less	\$ 0.06402	Excess 1,200 CF	1" or Less	\$ 0.0640
10	First 1,800 CF	1.5"	\$ 0.05376	First 1,800 CF	1.5"	\$ 0.0538
11	Excess 1,800 CF	1.5"	\$ 0.06402	Excess 1,800 CF	1.5"	\$ 0.0640
12	First 2,400 CF	2"	\$ 0.05376	First 2,400 CF	2"	\$ 0.0538
13	Excess 2,400 CF	2"	\$ 0.06402	Excess 2,400 CF	2"	\$ 0.0640
14	First 3,600 CF	3"	\$ 0.05376	First 3,600 CF	3"	\$ 0.0538
15	Excess 3,600 CF	3"	\$ 0.06161	Excess 3,600 CF	3"	\$ 0.0616
16	First 4,800 CF	4"	\$ 0.05376	First 4,800 CF	4"	\$ 0.0538
17	Excess 4,800 CF	4"	\$ 0.06161	Excess 4,800 CF	4"	\$ 0.0616
18	First 7,200 CF	6"	\$ 0.05376	First 7,200 CF	6"	\$ 0.0538
19	Excess 7,200 CF	6"	\$ 0.06161	Excess 7,200 CF	6"	\$ 0.0616
20	First 9,600 CF	8"	\$ 0.05376	First 9,600 CF	8"	\$ 0.0538
21	Excess 9,600 CF	8"	\$ 0.06161	Excess 9,600 CF	8"	\$ 0.0616

Existing Rate Revenue	\$ 30,664
Proposed Rate Revenue	\$ 30,664
Proposed Rate Increase	0.0%

1" or Less					
Line #	Monthly Usage CF	Monthly Bill		% Inc. / (Dec.)	\$ Inc. / (Dec.)
		Existing	Proposed		
1	5	\$ 15.42	\$ 15.42	0.0%	\$ -
2	10	\$ 15.69	\$ 15.69	0.0%	\$ -
3	25	\$ 16.49	\$ 16.49	0.0%	\$ -
4	50	\$ 17.84	\$ 17.84	0.0%	\$ -
5	100	\$ 20.53	\$ 20.53	0.0%	\$ -
6	150	\$ 23.21	\$ 23.21	0.0%	\$ -
7	200	\$ 25.90	\$ 25.90	0.0%	\$ -
8	300	\$ 31.28	\$ 31.28	0.0%	\$ -
9	400	\$ 36.65	\$ 36.65	0.0%	\$ -
10	500	\$ 42.03	\$ 42.03	0.0%	\$ -
11	600	\$ 47.40	\$ 47.40	0.0%	\$ -
12	700	\$ 52.78	\$ 52.78	0.0%	\$ -
13	800	\$ 58.15	\$ 58.15	0.0%	\$ -
14	900	\$ 63.53	\$ 63.53	0.0%	\$ -
15	1,000	\$ 68.91	\$ 68.91	0.0%	\$ -
16	1,100	\$ 74.28	\$ 74.28	0.0%	\$ -
17	1,200	\$ 79.66	\$ 79.66	0.0%	\$ -
18	1,500	\$ 98.86	\$ 98.86	0.0%	\$ -
19	1,800	\$ 118.07	\$ 118.07	0.0%	\$ -
20	2,100	\$ 137.28	\$ 137.28	0.0%	\$ -
21	2,400	\$ 156.49	\$ 156.49	0.0%	\$ -
22	2,700	\$ 175.69	\$ 175.69	0.0%	\$ -
23	3,000	\$ 194.90	\$ 194.90	0.0%	\$ -

1.5"					
Monthly Usage CF	Monthly Bill		% Inc. / (Dec.)	\$ Inc. / (Dec.)	
	Existing	Proposed			
500	\$ 60.96	\$ 60.96	0.0%	\$ -	
1000	\$ 87.84	\$ 87.84	0.0%	\$ -	
2000	\$ 151.86	\$ 151.86	0.0%	\$ -	
3000	\$ 215.88	\$ 215.88	0.0%	\$ -	
4000	\$ 279.91	\$ 279.91	0.0%	\$ -	
5000	\$ 343.93	\$ 343.93	0.0%	\$ -	
6000	\$ 407.96	\$ 407.96	0.0%	\$ -	
7000	\$ 471.98	\$ 471.98	0.0%	\$ -	
8000	\$ 536.00	\$ 536.00	0.0%	\$ -	
9000	\$ 600.03	\$ 600.03	0.0%	\$ -	
10000	\$ 664.05	\$ 664.05	0.0%	\$ -	
11000	\$ 728.08	\$ 728.08	0.0%	\$ -	
12000	\$ 792.10	\$ 792.10	0.0%	\$ -	
13000	\$ 856.12	\$ 856.12	0.0%	\$ -	
14000	\$ 920.15	\$ 920.15	0.0%	\$ -	
15000	\$ 984.17	\$ 984.17	0.0%	\$ -	
16000	\$ 1,048.20	\$ 1,048.20	0.0%	\$ -	
17000	\$ 1,112.22	\$ 1,112.22	0.0%	\$ -	
18000	\$ 1,176.24	\$ 1,176.24	0.0%	\$ -	
19000	\$ 1,240.27	\$ 1,240.27	0.0%	\$ -	
20000	\$ 1,304.29	\$ 1,304.29	0.0%	\$ -	
22000	\$ 1,432.34	\$ 1,432.34	0.0%	\$ -	
25000	\$ 1,624.41	\$ 1,624.41	0.0%	\$ -	

2"					
Line #	Monthly Usage CF	Monthly Bill		% Inc. / (Dec.)	\$ Inc. / (Dec.)
		Existing	Proposed		
1	500	\$ 87.46	\$ 87.46	0.0%	\$ -
2	700	\$ 98.21	\$ 98.21	0.0%	\$ -
3	900	\$ 108.96	\$ 108.96	0.0%	\$ -
4	1,100	\$ 119.71	\$ 119.71	0.0%	\$ -
5	1,300	\$ 130.46	\$ 130.46	0.0%	\$ -
6	1,500	\$ 141.21	\$ 141.21	0.0%	\$ -
7	1,700	\$ 151.97	\$ 151.97	0.0%	\$ -
8	1,900	\$ 162.72	\$ 162.72	0.0%	\$ -
9	2,000	\$ 168.09	\$ 168.09	0.0%	\$ -
10	2,200	\$ 178.84	\$ 178.84	0.0%	\$ -
11	2,400	\$ 191.65	\$ 191.65	0.0%	\$ -
12	3,000	\$ 230.06	\$ 230.06	0.0%	\$ -
13	3,500	\$ 262.07	\$ 262.07	0.0%	\$ -
14	4,000	\$ 294.09	\$ 294.09	0.0%	\$ -
15	5,000	\$ 358.11	\$ 358.11	0.0%	\$ -
16	6,000	\$ 422.13	\$ 422.13	0.0%	\$ -
17	7,000	\$ 486.16	\$ 486.16	0.0%	\$ -
18	8,000	\$ 550.18	\$ 550.18	0.0%	\$ -
19	9,000	\$ 614.21	\$ 614.21	0.0%	\$ -

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 3-127 OF THE CITY CODE; TO INITIATE A 2.6% INCREASE IN REVENUES CHARGED TO CUSTOMERS FOR SERVICE FROM THE WATER SYSTEM OF THE CITY EFFECTIVE WITH THE OCTOBER 2015 BILLING; TO PROVIDE FOR BILLING THEREOF; TO REPEAL SECTION 3-127; TO PROVIDE FOR A TIME WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEWARD, NEBRASKA THAT:

Section 1. Amendment. Section 3-127 of the Municipal Code of Seward, Nebraska, is amended to read as follows:

MUNICIPAL WATER DEPARTMENT; WATER RATES. A tariff of monthly water rates will be charged for each meter installed in the Water System of the City. The W/WWTW Superintendent or his duly authorized agent may make a determination to forego the meter charge on irrigation systems when the meter is winterized and shut-off, if it is in the best interest of the City to do so. The following rates are hereby established:

URBAN GENERAL SERVICE RATES

Rates effective October 2015 billing:

Meter Size	Customer Chg.	Rate per Cubic Feet
1" or less	\$ 11.76	First 1,200 CF, \$.0368 per CF Over 1,200 CF, \$.0438 per CF
1.5"	\$ 26.46	First 1,800 CF, \$.0368 per CF Over 1,800 CF, \$.0438 per CF
2"	\$ 47.04	First 2,400 CF, \$.0368 per CF Over 2,400 CF, \$.0438 per CF
3"	\$105.84	First 3,600 CF, \$.0368 per CF Over 3,600 CF, \$.0422 per CF
4"	\$188.16	First 4,800 CF, \$.0368 per CF Over 4,800 CF, \$.0422 per CF
6"	\$423.36	First 7,200 CF, \$.0368 per CF Over 7,200 CF, \$.0422 per CF
8"	\$752.64	First 9,600 CF, \$.0368 per CF Over 9,600 CF, \$.0422 per CF

RURAL GENERAL SERVICE RATES

Rates effective October 2015 billing:

Meter Size	Customer Chg.	Rate per Cubic Feet
1" or less	\$ 15.22	First 1,200 CF, \$.0523 per CF Over 1,200 CF, \$.0623 per CF
1.5"	\$ 34.24	First 1,800 CF, \$.0523 per CF Over 1,800 CF, \$.0623 per CF
2"	\$ 60.87	First 2,400 CF, \$.0523 per CF Over 2,400 CF, \$.0623 per CF
3"	\$136.96	First 3,600 CF, \$.0523 per CF Over 3,600 CF, \$.0600 per CF
4"	\$243.49	First 4,800 CF, \$.0523 per CF Over 4,800 CF, \$.0600 per CF
6"	\$547.85	First 7,200 CF, \$.0523 per CF Over 7,200 CF, \$.0600 per CF
8"	\$973.95	First 9,600 CF, \$.0523 per CF Over 9,600 CF, \$.0600 per CF

Section 2. REPEAL. All ordinances or provision or portions of ordinances in conflict here with are hereby repealed.

Section 3. WHEN OPERATIVE. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as required by law.

Passed and approved this 6th day of October, 2015.

CITY OF SEWARD, NEBRASKA

ATTEST:

Joshua Eickmeier, Mayor

Bonnie Otte
Administrator Assistant/
City Clerk-Treasurer/
Budget & Human Resource Director

(SEAL)