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Agenda Item: New Business – 6C

Meeting Date June 6, 2019

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Subject: KMC Chapter 12 – Water and Sewers – Amendment – Ord. 1423

Summary: Staff is recommending code changes based on interaction with the code and operations as well as to address out-dated sections, recommendations from our insurance and to address inefficiencies in operations.

Code Sections 12.08.030 and 12.12.020 - These are amended to bring the fee schedules up to date based on the fee changes adopted by the Council since 2001 which are done by resolution. It will also clarify that the fees listed are subject to changes by resolution in the future, so the user will know to check for updates.

Code Chapter 12.14 - This updates the City's leak adjustment policy to address issues with properties having more than one leak a year, allowing the city to disconnect service if repairs to a leak are not made, and adopting an Industrial/Commercial leak process for large water users.

Code Chapter 12.16 – This cleans up wording that referred to bi-monthly billing which we no longer offer and clarifies that payments need to be **received** by the City on the due date to avoid penalty. It also addresses the ability to lien properties for non-payment.

Code Chapter 12.20 – This makes changes due to the change to all monthly billing and allows for appeals to go to the City Administrator instead of the Mayor or Council. Certain appeals of decisions may still go before the Council.

Code Chapter 12.24 – This amends the code to address “snowbirds” and having the water disconnected or empty rental units for periods over 30 days requiring a form to confirm the request and to indemnify the City as requested by the Insurance.

► **Draft/Suggested Motion: Ordinance # 1423 is on the agenda for adoption.**