

# Request for Decision



To: Committee of the Whole  
From: **Outside Works**  
Date: November 14, 2017  
Subject: Water Rates Study  
Recommendation: **RESOLVED THAT Committee of the Whole accepts the presentation provided by Urban Systems Ltd regarding water rates for information;**  
  
**AND THAT Committee of the Whole refers further decision on which water rate structure to select for the mock billing process to the November 27, 2017 Regular Meeting.**

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## Background

The City's water rates are being reviewed to incorporate the water meter usage information. Currently the City charges a flat rate for any amount of water used residentially. Commercial and industrial customers have been on a fixed charge since the 2007 commercial meter program. Three different rate structures are detailed in the presentation including a minimum charge structure. The goal of the presentation is to receive Council's input and direction on the development of the metered water rate structure for a two-year mock billing period.

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## Benefits or Impacts

### General

The background information in this presentation will be used in making decisions about how to set the water rates.

### Strategic Impact



#### Fiscal Responsibility

We will continue to proactively identify and plan for infrastructure repair and replacement.

Departments will continue to review service and tax rates in annual budget and will ensure consistency with the asset management plan.

### Policy/Legislation

Bylaw 1973-A 1 will be affected by the recommendations created by this presentation.

## **Attachments**

Urban Systems Ltd Water Rates Presentation

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## **Options**

1. RESOLVED THAT Council accepts the report.
2. RESOLVED THAT Council does not accept the report.
3. RESOLVED THAT Council refers the matter back to staff for further information.