COUNCIL DECISION REQUEST

SUBJECT: Water Rate Increase

MEETING DATE: 6/18/09

PAYSON GOAL: NEW: EXISTING:

ITEM NO.:

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

SUBMITTED BY: Legal Department

AMOUNT BUDGETED:

SUBMITTAL TO AGENDA
APPROVED BY TOWN MANAGER

EXPENDITURE REQUIRED:

CONT. FUNDING REQUIRED:

DHR

EXHIBITS (If Applicable, To Be Attached):

Notice of Intention to Increase Water Rates

POSSIBLE MOTION

I move to adopt the attached Notice of Intention to increase water rates and direct the Town Clerk to (1) cause such Notice of Intention to be published in the *Payson Roundup* on June 26, 2009, (2) schedule a public hearing on such Notice of Intention on July 23, 2009, and (3) file a copy of the report supporting such Notice of Intention and make the report available to the public.

SUMMARY OF THE BASIS FOR POSSIBLE MOTION:

The Water Department, as part of the Water Rate Analysis and Long-Term Financial Plan (May 2006) prepared by economists.com, desires to increase water rates to the recommended October 2006 level. In order to implement a rate increase, the Town must comply with the requirements of A.R.S. §9-511.01. The first step in this process is for the Council to adopt a Notice of Intention to increase rates. Next, the Clerk must cause such Notice of Intention to be published in the local newspaper (June 26, 2009). The Council must then wait (20 days following publication and 30 days following the Notice of Intention) and conduct a public hearing (July 23, 2009). Finally, at the July 23, 2009 Council Meeting, after having a public hearing, the Council will consider a Resolution to adopt the increased rates. If adopted, such new rates would become effective October 1, 2009, at least 30 days after the passage of the Resolution.

PROS:

This CDR is only procedural in nature.

CONS:

PUBLIC INPUT (if any): This CDR schedules a Public Hearing to be held July 23, 2009.

BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS (if any) (give dates and attach minutes):

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FUNDING:

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3A: _____ Date: _____

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO INCREASE WATER RATES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Payson Town Council will consider a Resolution to increase water rates in the amounts shown below.

A public hearing will be held on the proposed water rate increase at the regular meeting of the Town Council on July 23, 2009, at 5:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the Town Council Chambers at Payson Town Hall, 303 North Beeline Highway, Payson, Arizona. The rates, if adopted will be effective October 1, 2009.

A written report or data supporting this proposed rate increase has been filed and is available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of the Town of Payson.

	Current	Proposed
Minimum monthly charge	$19.65	$21.52
Volume rate per 1,000 gallons		
2,001-5,000	$2.65	$2.90
5,001-10,000	$3.50	$3.83
10,001-20,000	$4.00	$4.38
20,001 and above	$5.00	5.48

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