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**R2023-13: A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE SCHEDULE OF STORM WATER FEES ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURE SPECIFIED IN CITY CODE SEC.18-27**

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**Applicant/Purpose:** Staff/to amend the schedule of storm water fees according to the procedure specified in City Code.

**Brief:**

- The City commissioned a Storm Water rate study in 2021 to assess the operating and capital funding needs of the storm water program over the next 5 years;
- Current revenues generated through the Storm Water fee are not sufficient to cover the operating cost of the system and provide for necessary capital improvements
- The 5-year Capital Improvement plan addresses a number of neighborhood storm water and flood risk mitigation projects
- The 5-year Capital Improvement plan includes the city-wide evaluation and inventory of the storm water system to identify the next round of projects necessary to accommodate the drainage needs of the City
- If approved, this resolution increase the ERU fee from \$9.30/month to \$11.35/month

**Issues:**

- Absent the resolution, the storm water fee will not produce sufficient revenue to continue to cover operations or allow for additional infrastructure improvements to the storm drainage system.
- Transfers from other funds would have to be increased to cover any operating deficits and finance new storm water management projects.

**Public Notification:** Normal meeting notification.

**Alternatives:**

- Amend or deny resolution.
- The impact will result in a delay of storm water infrastructure project master planning and construction.

**Financial Impact:**

- Impact upon ratepayers will be \$2.05/month (\$24.60/year for a residential unit or equivalent).

**Manager's Recommendation:**

- I recommend approval.

**Attachment(s):** Proposed resolution

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**CITY OF MYRTLE BEACH  
COUNTY OF HORRY  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

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SCHEDULE OF STORM WATER FEES  
ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURE  
SPECIFIED IN CITY CODE SEC. 18-27.**

WHEREAS, Sec. 18-27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, provides that a schedule of fees shall be applied to each "Applicant," as defined in Sec. 18-3; and

WHEREAS, Sec. 18-27 further provides that the schedule may be changed by resolution of City Council (the "Council") and a copy of the schedule kept on file in the City Clerk's office; and,

WHEREAS, it is now desirable to amend the fee structure to finance the operations and provide for the infrastructure needs of the storm water drainage system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Myrtle Beach, in meeting duly assembled:

1. That the Storm Water Fee Schedule is hereby amended so that the charge per ERU is increased from \$9.30 per month to \$11.35 per month.
2. A copy of this resolution shall be filed along with the 2023-24 Budget Ordinance.
3. The Storm Water Fee Schedule, a copy of which shall be kept on file in the City Clerk's office, shall be revised accordingly.

SIGNED, SEALED, AND DATED this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023.

ATTEST:

SIGNED:

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Jennifer Adkins, City Clerk

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Brenda Bethune, Mayor