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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 1171

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN AD HOC ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE ASSEMBLY ON WATER AND SEWER UTILITY RATES.

WHEREAS, revenues have consistently fallen behind expenditures, and

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Juneau is greatly expanding its water system and providing service to areas that were previously served by individual wells and small private systems, and

WHEREAS, there have been recent requests by commercial and industrial water customers for adjustments to water rates, and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Assembly that the water and sewer utilities be self-supporting and not rely upon tax revenues for operating expenses, and

WHEREAS, it may be helpful to the Assembly to have the benefit of recommendations made by a committee composed of citizens with knowledge of water and sewer system operations when reviewing and setting rates;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

1. There is established the City and Borough of Juneau Ad Hoc Water and Sewer Utility Rate Advisory Committee consisting of seven persons appointed by the Assembly. To the extent possible, appointments shall be made as follows:

- (a) one engineer registered in the State of Alaska with training and experience in water and utility systems design and operation,

- (b) one accountant experienced with public utility financial management practices,
- (c) one general contractor experienced in the construction of water and sewer utility systems,
- (d) one commercial customer of the city and borough water and sewer utility,
- (e) one residential customer of the city and borough water and sewer utility, and
- (f) two members of the general public.

2. The committee shall hold its first meeting as soon as may be possible after appointment of all its members and shall dissolve upon adoption by the Assembly of a resolution setting rates for water and sewer service. The Assembly, by motion or otherwise may establish a different time for dissolution of the committee.

3. The committee shall review present municipal policies regarding water and sewer services and rates. The committee shall evaluate and compare these policies and rates with those of similar communities in Alaska and the Pacific Northwest.

4. The committee shall prepare and submit to the Assembly for its consideration a report which includes:

- (a) recommended water and sewer utility policies,
- (b) an operational cost analysis of the water and sewer utility by class of service,
- (c) recommended rates for each class of service for the period 1986-1990, and
- (d) such other recommendations as the committee considers appropriate for consideration by the Assembly.

5. The manager shall provide such staff assistance to the committee from the finance, public works, engineering, and other departments as may be available and appropriate.

6. The committee shall hold at least one public hearing on its report before submitting it to the Assembly.

7. The committee shall submit its report to the Assembly no later than the first regular Assembly meeting in August 1986.

Adopted this 5th day of May, 1986.



Mayor

Attest:



Clerk