

Legislation Text

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Resolution to Place Delinquent Water Utilities Charges on the July 2009 Tax Roll (\$69,341.96) Your approval is requested to place delinquent Water Utilities charges, which have remained unpaid for six months or more, on the July 2009 tax roll.

These delinquent charges are a lien on the property served as provided by the State of Michigan Public Act 94 of 1933. Any such charge delinquent for six months or more is placed on the City's tax roll with a 10% penalty pursuant to the City Ordinance Code, Chapter 13, Section 1:292 and Chapter 29, Section 2:72. (Excerpts from the Public Act and the City Ordinance Code are attached. Attachment 1)

This year's total for potential placement on the next tax roll is \$69,341.96. A listing of the delinquent accounts is available for inspection in the Clerk's office and the Customer Service Center, 220 E. Huron St, Suite 100.

However, notice will be sent to owners by first class mail on May 5, 2009. This notice states that the total amount due, if unpaid as of June 4, 2009, will be placed on the July 2009 tax roll with a 10% penalty. This notice usually results in about 50% of the delinquent bills being paid. All delinquent bills after that time will appear on the July tax statements. A blank sample of the notice letter is attached (Attachment 2).

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Whereas, There are unpaid charges for water, sanitary sewer, and stormwater services furnished to certain premises in the City which on March 31, 2009 remained unpaid for a period of six months or more;

Whereas, In accordance with Michigan Public Act 94 of 1933 and Ann Arbor City Ordinance Code; Chapter 13, Section 1:292; Chapter 29, Section 2:72; notices will be sent by first class mail to the owners of such premises giving notice of the total amount due for such services and that such amounts will be assessed with a 10% penalty by this Council on June 4, 2009, unless paid sooner, as a tax against said premises; and

Whereas, The City Clerk's office and Customer Service Center has a list of the unpaid charges on file;

RESOLVED, That such outstanding (over 6 months) delinquent utilities charges be levied against such owners and premises and that the City Assessor shall place the same with a 10% penalty on 2009 summer tax statements and that the said charges so assessed shall be collected in the same manner as general City taxes.