

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2012-12-02**

### **INCREASING THE WATER RATES FOR THE CITY OF FORT MORGAN, COLORADO**

**WHEREAS**, the continued water development for the City of Fort Morgan is in the best interests of the City; and,

**WHEREAS**, the projected revenues of the water rate study were completed in April of this year and recently presented to City Council on April 17, 2012, by Farnsworth Group; and,

**WHEREAS**, the water rate study was revised on July 27, 2012, after consulting with City staff and was presented to City Council again on August 7, 2012, by Farnsworth Group; and,

**WHEREAS**, the annual growth rate for the City since 2008 has slowed to 0.07% or three (3) additional taps a year; and,

**WHEREAS**, a current projection of annual growth is expected to be 0.5% or an increase of twenty (20) taps per year; and,

**WHEREAS**, the current annual payment for debt service is expected to increase by \$1,000,000.00 by the year 2017, due to the City's participation in NISP, and the repayment of water bonds; and,

**WHEREAS**, the 2012 rate study projects a 2% to 3% increase in fixed costs per year and a limited number of capital improvement projects; and,

**WHEREAS**, some of the fixed costs in the City's budget have increased by as much as 25% and additional capital improvement projects are necessary to meet Environmental Protection Agency "EPA" standards; and,

**WHEREAS**, an increase in the water rates would create additional revenue within the Water Enterprise Fund to allow for future infrastructure improvements, rate stabilization and major expansions that will benefit the customers; and,

**WHEREAS**, the rate study suggests an increase in rates on an annual basis to account for projected growth; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 18-3-10 of the *Fort Morgan Municipal Code* all water rents, rates and charges payable within the City are to be established by Resolution of the City Council.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT MORGAN, COLORADO:**

Effective January 1, 2013, for all utility bills generated on or after such date, the City hereby adopts the Water Rates (attached hereto as Exhibit A).

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 18th day of December, 2012, upon a roll call vote of 6 - 0 by the Council of the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado.

Ayes: Mayor McAlister, Councilmembers Bryan, Forstedt, Northrup, Segura and Shaver.

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
FORT MORGAN, COLORADO

[ SEAL ]

BY: /s/ Terry L. McAlister  
Mayor Terry McAlister

ATTEST:

/s/ John Brennan  
John Brennan, City Clerk

STATE OF COLORADO            )  
COUNTY OF MORGAN         ) ss  
CITY OF FORT MORGAN        )

**CERTIFICATE**

I, John J. Brennan, City Clerk of the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing **Resolution** is a true, perfect and complete copy of the **Resolution** adopted by the Council of Fort Morgan, Colorado, and is identical to the original thereof appearing in the official records of the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado and that the same has not, since its adoption, been rescinded or amended in any respect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Fort Morgan this 19th day of December, 2012.

[SEAL]

/s/ John Brennan  
John Brennan, City Clerk



**EXHIBIT A  
 TO RESOLUTION NO. 2012-12-02**

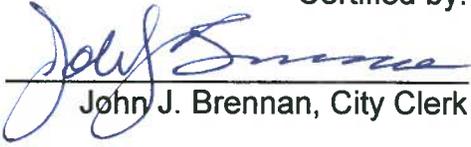
**WATER RATES  
 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2013  
 RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL**

	<u>NISP Fee</u> (\$/month)	<u>Consumer Charge</u> (\$/month)	<u>Commodity Charge</u> (\$/1,000 Gallons)
<b><u>IN-CITY RATES:</u></b>			
3/4" Water Base Charge	\$5.00	\$35.96	\$3.06
1" Water Base Charge	\$8.00	\$62.82	\$3.06
1.5" Water Base Charge	\$12.00	\$142.48	\$3.06
2" Water Base Charge	\$16.00	\$248.46	\$3.06
3" Water Base Charge	\$24.00	\$565.74	\$3.06
4" Water Base Charge	\$32.00	\$988.30	\$3.06
6" Water Base Charge	\$48.00	\$2,253.51	\$3.06
8" Water Base Charge	\$64.00	\$4,151.38	\$3.06
Industrial		\$ .00	\$3.06
Well Water		\$ .00	\$1.28
Irrigation: Parks, Cemetery, Schools		\$ .00	\$1.28

**OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS:**

Customers with meters: Double the In-City Rate and Base Charge (follow above chart X 2).

Certified by:

  
 John J. Brennan, City Clerk