

RESOLUTION NO. 32-2021

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING A ONE-TIME ADJUSTMENT TO EACH MUNICIPAL SERVICES WATER ACCOUNT IN RESPONSE TO THE FEBRUARY 2021 WINTER STORM EVENT.

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene (City) owns and operates a Public Water System and a Publicly Owned Treatment Works to provide water utility services to its retail and wholesale customers; and

WHEREAS, the City's Water Utilities Department generates revenue to sustain its operations, maintenance, and capital improvement expenditures by billing and collecting payments from its customers; and

WHEREAS, due to the February 2021 Winter Storm Event many of the City's water utility customers may have utilized higher quantities of potable water than normal in order to prevent private plumbing from freezing or because of resulting minor leaks from damaged pipes and appliances; and

WHEREAS, the utility billing office will continue to offer leak adjustments to those customers that experience major water leaks as a result of the winter storm event; and

WHEREAS, at the direction of the Abilene City Council staff has developed and is recommending that all municipal services water accounts receive a one-time credit to help offset some of the unavoidable customer water usage directly related to the severe winter weather conditions, and the one-time credit of \$11.10 will be applied to each of the approximately 41,764 active municipal services water accounts, which results in a reduction of revenue to the water and sewer fund of approximately \$482,150; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

That the Abilene City Council authorizes the one-time adjustment by crediting each municipal services water account \$11.10 which results in a reduction of revenue to the water and sewer fund of approximately \$482,150.

ADOPTED this 11th day of March, 2021.

ATTEST:

Shawna Atkinson, City Secretary

Shane Price, Mayor Pro-tem

APPROVED:

Stanley E. Smith, City Attorney