

COMMISSION SUMMARY

AGENDA CATEGORY: Finance Office

| ITEM NUMBER: | DATE: June 16, 2021 |
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| SUBJECT | Approve Front Foot Benefit Charges (FFBC) and Deferred House Connection (HC) Charges 2021 Assessment Levy. |
| SUMMARY | Commission approval is requested for Levy 2021 comprised of 316 new, reclassified and/or deferred house connection assessments |
| SPECIAL COMMENTS | N/A |
| CONTRACT NO./ REFERENCE NO. | N/A |
| COSTS | N/A |
| AMENDMENT/ CHANGE ORDER NO. AMOUNT | N/A |
| MBE PARTICIPATION | N/A |
| PRIOR STAFF/ COMMITTEE REVIEW | Carla A. Reid, General Manager/CEO |
| PRIOR STAFF/ COMMITTEE APPROVALS | Joseph F. Beach, Deputy General Manager for JFB Administration |
| | Patricia A. Colihan, Chief Financial Officer |
| RECOMMENDATION TO COMMISSION | Approve the Front Foot Benefit Charges and Deferred House Connections Assessment Levy for 2021 comprised of 316 accounts. |
| COMMISSION ACTION | |



Interoffice Memorandum

| TO: | COMMISSIONERS |
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| THRU: | CARLA A. REID, GENERAL MANAGER/CEO |
| THRU: | JOSEPH F. BEACH, DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER FOR JFB ADMINISTRATION |
| THRU: | PATRICIA A. COLIHAN, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER |
| FROM: | ANGELA MAKLE FORTUNE, REVENUE DIVISION MANAGER |
| DATE: | JUNE 16, 2021 |
| SUBJECT: | APPROVAL OF FRONT FOOT BENEFIT CHARGES (FFBC) & DEFERRED HOUSE CONNECTION (HC) CHARGES 2021 ASSESSMENT LEVY |

In early spring, following completion of the previous year's construction and usage modifications, Levy 2021 was initiated. The purpose of Levy 2021 is to assess front foot benefit charges (FFBC) against properties benefited and/or served by water and sewer mains or deferred house connections (HC) built by WSSC Water. The assessments authorized by Maryland State Law are levied to recover WSSC Water's cost of constructing water and sewer mains and service connections. The 2021 Levy was comprised of 316 Notices that were mailed in April to affected customers in Prince George's and Montgomery Counties. In accordance with Public Utilities Article 25-204, the property owners were informed in writing of the amount of the assessment. There were nine notices issued due to reclassification and provided an opportunity to appeal the assessment before a WSSC Water Commissioner. The informal FFBC Appeal Hearings schedule was held on Wednesday, May 19, 2021 based on a mutually convenient time for the Commissioner or designee and customer. Of the nine reclassification notices issued, no customers requested an informal hearing.

It is therefore requested that the Commission approve the 2021 FFBC Levy assessments. Your approval provides staff permission to proceed with adding the assessments to the rolls of Montgomery and Prince George's Counties tax collecting authorities.