

COMMISSION SUMMARY

AGENDA CATEGORY: Finance Office

ITEM NUMBER:	DATE: June 16, 2021
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.