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Committee: Board of Public Works	Date: 10/21/2021
Common Council Item Number: ID #21-2978	Date: 11/2/2021
Submitted By: Alex Damien, Interim Director of Public Works	City Administrator Approval: Kevin Lahner, City Administrator
Finance Department Review: Bridget M. Souffrant, Finance Director	City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney
Subject: Review and Act on the Proposed 2022 Sanitary Sewer Rates	

Details:
The City's municipal financial advisor has prepared our annual sewer rate model for the past fourteen years. This 2022 model includes a detailed cost of service study for 2022 and an updated long-range cash flow analysis with a revised capital improvement plan. A separate Return Flow cost analysis has been prepared by the Water Utility's rate consultant. The 2022 Sewer Service Charge and Fee Schedule includes both the regular and Return Flow rates, itemized separately. Sewer use charges on the schedule are now shown as monthly rather than quarterly to be consistent with the conversion to monthly billing in early 2021.

Attachments:

1. 2022 Sewer Rate Model
2. 2022 Sewer Service Charge and Fee Schedule
3. Sewer Rates Resolution 2022
4. Waukesha 2022 User Rate and Return Flow Rate Presentation

Options & Alternatives:

Financial Remarks:
A sewer rate increase with an effective date of January 1, 2022 is necessary to ensure adequate revenue to fund operations, maintenance and capital improvements for the treatment plant and collection system in the upcoming year. The recommended rate increase supports and maintains the City's 125% debt coverage requirement.

Executive Recommendation:
Approve the proposed 2022 Sanitary Sewer Rates.

