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Sue F. McCormick, Chief Executive Officer  
Great Lakes Water Authority  
735 Randolph, Suite 1900  
Detroit, Michigan 48226

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GLWA CEO'S OFFICE  
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**RE: Public Comment on GLWA Notice of Public Hearing for the Proposed Water and Sewerage Service Charges for the City of Highland Park for Fiscal Year 2020**

Dear Ms. McCormick:

Please find below our public comments regarding the proposed water and sewerage service charges for the City of Highland Park for Fiscal Year 2020. Please note the below information should be formally entered on record.

Water Service Charges:


The City of Highland Park disagrees with the water rate set by the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) for FY 2020 however we believe the rate is now trending in a direction which better represents the usage by Highland Park water customers. The City of Highland Park requests the city be billed for water usage using a single billing master meter in lieu of three (3) temporary insertion meters that are not intended for billing purposes.

Sewerage Service Charges:

The City of Highland Park disagrees with the current billing methodology by the GLWA for sewer. GLWA and its predecessor have for the last ten years overcharged Highland Park by failing to follow billing methodology resolved with a 1996 Settlement Agreement incorporated into a Federal Court Consent Judgment. In addition, The City of Highland Park is currently conducting a sewer meter study to determine the actual total volume of combined sewerage delivered to the GLWA. Although the city is currently billed as a D+ non-metered customer, we are requesting that the City of Highland Park be billed with the same rate and methodology as other wholesale sewer metered customers.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Highland Park City Hall office at (313) 252-0050.

Sincerely,

  
Hubert Yopp, Mayor  
City of Highland Park

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