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Certification of Delinquent Utility Bills

October 17, 2017

Utility Certification State Statute



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MN Statute 444.075 allows Cities to “charge against the owner, lessee, occupant or all of them and may provide and covenant for certifying unpaid charges to the county auditor with taxes against the property served for collection as other taxes are collected”

Utility Certification City Code



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City Code Sec. 28-56 states that “If payment is not received within the time period provided in the notice, or if a resolution of the delinquent bill is not reached, the City may certify the delinquent balance to the County Auditor with taxes against the property served.”



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Utility Certification Process

- Utility accounts with balances over \$50 and delinquent 30 days or longer were notified in writing of the pending certification and the date of this hearing.
- A \$30.00 administrative fee will be added to delinquent accounts.
- Customers will continue to have the opportunity to pay the overdue balances until November 17.

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- The final delinquent list will be attached to Resolution 2017-89 and sent to the County for certification.
- Certified amounts will pay an interest rate of 6.5%.
- All are one year assessments.



Utility Certification History

	2014	2015	2016	2017
Sept. Notices				
• Properties	597	894	787	1,031
• Dollar Amount	\$464,150	\$405,067	\$407,090	\$453,930
Oct. Public Hearing				
• Properties	381	489	464	428
• Dollar Amount	\$397,488	\$295,594	\$291,457	\$281,104
Nov. Certification				
• Properties	264	319	329	
• Dollar Amount	\$354,615	\$238,617	\$227,354	

Utility Certification Actions



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- Hold Public Hearing
- Adopt Resolution 2017-89 certifying this year's delinquent utility bills to the County Auditor for collection with the 2018 property taxes.