

## Committee of the Whole

Ryan Countryman

Council	Initiated:
□Yes	

⊠No

ECAF:	202	4-2306
Ordina	nce:	24-093

Type:

 $\square$  Contract

☐ Board Appt.

**⊠Code Amendment** 

☐ Budget Action

Other

**Requested Handling:** 

⊠Normal

☐ Expedite

□Urgent

**Fund Source:** 

☐ General Fund

**⊠Other** 

 $\square$  N/A

**Executive Rec:** 

**⊠**Approve

☐ Do Not Approve

□N/A

Approved as to

Form:

⊠Yes

□No

□N/A

**Subject:** Code amendment – Service charges

**Scope:** Ordinance 24-091 would add amend service charges for aquatic plant

control at Lake Goodwin and Lake Shoecraft in SCC 25.20.050

**Duration:** January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2029

Fiscal Impact: ☐ Current Year ☑ Multi-Year ☐ N/A

Expenditures	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
415—SWM	\$0	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$172,601.50
Total's	\$0	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$172,601.50

Revenue	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total
415—Fees	\$0	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$172,601.50
Total's	\$0	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$34,520.30	\$172,601.50

Note: Expenditures for this program are already part of the 2025-2026 budget that Council is separately considering.

## **Authority Granted:**

None

## **Background:**

Properties abutting the shores of Lake Goodwin and Lake Shoecraft are currently subject to an additional service charge for managing and controlling invasive aquatic plants, particularly Eurasian milfoil. These additional service charges are set in County code to expire on December 31, 2024. Surface Water Management (SWM) division and the property owners around both lakes wish to continue managing the invasive aquatic plants to prevent further spread. Property owners around both lakes met with county staff on February 23, 2024, to discuss and propose new rates for the next five years.

The fee structure in Ordinance 24-091 would revert to a single rate covering the five-year period instead of the current rate schedule that has varied over the 2019 to 2024 period. The new fixed rates for 2025 to 2029 are based on the anticipated work SWM staff will perform. The proposed new rates are lower than the annual but variable rates set to expire on December 31.

## Request:

Move to General Legislative Session on October 2, 2024, to set date and time for a public hearing. Suggested: Wednesday, October 23, 2024, at 10:30 am.