Proposed Water District No. 4 - Fact Sheet & FAQ's

Public Costs

• The proposed project is estimated to cost \$610,000, which includes 4,600 feet of 8-inch water main.

Private Capital Costs

- The service line from your property line to your house or business will cost between \$15 and \$20 per linear foot. Additional costs will include internal plumbing and well abandonment, estimated to vary between \$500 and \$1,000. Note these costs could be lower if you perform all or a portion of the work.
- Each home or business will be responsible for a connection fee ranging between \$1,575 (³/₄") and \$3,200 (2"), with the majority only requiring a ³/₄" service.
- Commercial properties may require the installation of a backflow prevention device.

Water Usage Costs

- The current water rate includes a \$75 per quarter base charge for the 1st 12,000 gallons, with usage over 12,000 gallons per quarter costing \$5.50 per 1,000 gallons.
- The average single-family home uses 60,000 gallons per year, which equates to an average annual cost of \$366.

Annual Debt Service

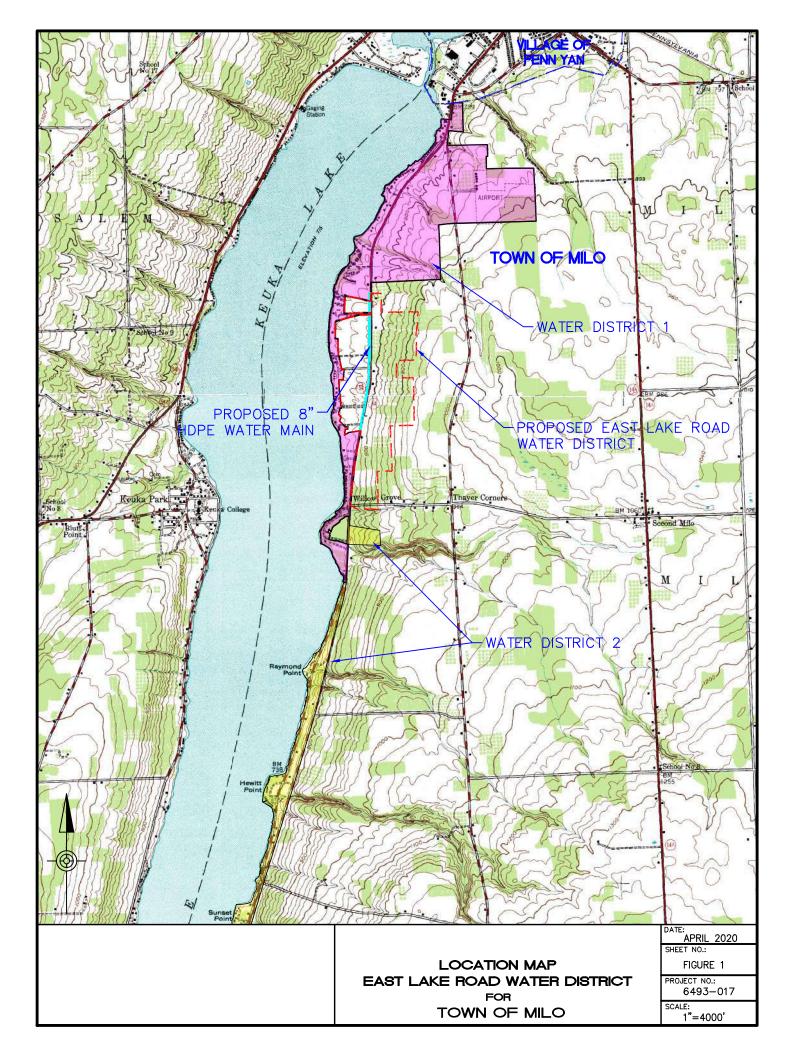
- Currently estimated to be \$584 per year for the typical single-family home (1 EDU).
- Typical vacant developable parcels will be charges 0.5 EDU.
- Multiple family homes will be charged 0.5 EDU for each dwelling over the 1st dwelling.
- Debt service will be charged on property tax bills, regardless if you connect or not.

Total Annual Costs

• Estimated to be \$950 per year for the typical customer.

Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. Assuming that the proposed District is formed, would a person with property located outside the district boundaries be able to hook up to the proposed District at any time in the future? *Properties located outside of a water or sewer district are not permitted to connect to the public water or sewer system.*
- 2. If the proposed District passes, are homes and businesses required to hook up immediately or is hook up optional at any time in the future? *Connection to the public water is optional.*
- 3. If the proposed District is established, will property owners be given an option to pay the public capital charges up front? *Yes, property owners would be permitted to pay for their share of the public capital charge up front, versus paying annually over 38 years.*
- 4. What are the anticipated water pressures? *The water main along East Lake Road will be between 80 and 95 psi, with pressures as low are 45 psi for homes or businesses in uphill areas.*
- 5. Can the number of EDU's vary from year to year, resulting in a lower or higher annual debt service per year? The number of EDU's are calculated annually, resulting in the potential for the total number of EDU's to increase, should additional homes or businesses be constructed. The number of EDU's could also decrease should a home or business be demolished. This could increase or decrease the annual debt service applied to each EDU.
- 6. Assuming the District is formed by the petition process and the Town Board votes to go forward with the project, is the Board's decision subject to Permissive referendum? *If a district is formed by petition process, essentially a form of vote, the process is not subject to permissive referendum.*



Proposed Sewer District No. 4 - Fact Sheet & FAQ's

Public Costs

• The proposed project is estimated to cost \$460,000, which includes 7,100 feet of 3-inch force main.

Private Capital Costs

- The service line from your property line to your house or business will cost between \$15 and \$20 per linear foot. Additional costs will include septic tank abandonment (\$500) and the installation of a grinder pump station (\$3,000 to \$5,000). Note these costs could be lower if you perform all or a portion of the work.
- Each home or business will be responsible for a connection fee of \$1,650.

Water Usage Costs

• The current sewer rate is \$157 per quarter, equating to \$628 per year.

Annual Debt Service

- Currently estimated to be between \$272 per year for the typical single-family home (1 EDU).
- Typical vacant developable parcels will be charges 0.5 EDU.
- Multiple family homes will be charged 0.5 EDU for each dwelling over the 1st dwelling.
- Debt service will be charged on property tax bills, regardless if you connect or not.

Total Annual Costs

• Estimated to be \$900 per year for the typical customer.

Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. Assuming that the proposed District is formed, would a person with property located outside the district boundaries be able to hook up to the proposed District at any time in the future? *Properties located outside of a water or sewer district are not permitted to connect to the public water or sewer system.*
- 2. If the proposed District passes, are homes and businesses required to hook up immediately or is hook up optional at any time in the future? *The current Sewer Use law requires that homes or businesses within a District be connected to the public sewer. This provision is being evaluated to indicate that connection is only mandated for new construction, sale of a property, or if a private system has failed.*
- 3. If the proposed District is established will property owners be given an option to pay the capital charges up front? *Yes, property owners would be permitted to pay for their share of the public capital charge up front, versus paying annually over 38 years..*
- 4. Can the number of EDU's vary from year to year, resulting in a lower or higher annual debt service per year? The number of EDU's are calculated annually, resulting in the potential for the total number of EDU's to increase, should additional homes or businesses be constructed. The number of EDU's could also decrease should a home or business be demolished. This could increase or decrease the annual debt service applied to each EDU.
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