COUNTY AGENDA REQUEST

Department:	Water System	Presenter(s):	Tony Parrott
Meeting Date:	Thursday, January 12, 2012	Type of Request:	Consent

Wording for the Agenda:

Approval of the Water Committee's recommendation to add a change to the Waterline Extension Policy to either install waterlines on roads and streets with a public right-of-way or to install waterlines on a dedicated easement that is equivalent to the right-of-way for a private road or street.

Background/History/Details:

When waterlines are installed on roads without a right-of-way, future issues often arise when the road is improved since the waterlines often have to be moved or have asphalt placed on them.

This addition to the Waterline Extension Policy will require that waterlines are installed only when either a public right-of-way is available or when a dedicated easement that equates to the public right of way for a private road or street is available.

This addition is recommended for adoption since, from an ongoing basis, it will prevent the Water System from moving waterlines at a future date and will reduce the need to cut pavement when a new service needs to be installed.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

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If this item requires funding, please describe:

Not Applicable.

Has this request been considered within the past two years?	No	If so, when?	
Is Audio-Visual Equipment Required for this Request?	No	Backup Provided with Request?	Yes

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Approved by Finance	Not Applicable	Reviewed by Legal	Yes
Approved by Purchasing	Not Applicable	County Clerk's Approval	Yes
Administrator's Approval	Yes		

Staff Notes:

Revised Water Line Extension Policy
Recommendation by Water Committee
December 14, 2011

1. These extensions would be limited to approximately 2500 feet. (Over 2500 feet, a separate Department of Natural Resources Drinking Water Program approval is needed.)

2. Fire hydrants would be installed every 600 +/- feet, with a goal of 1000 gallons per minute flow.

3. The line extension cost would be based on the front lot footage times $3.50. The minimum line extension charge would be $400.00, plus the meter charge.

4. Residents who did not participate initially would pay for their part of the line extension cost, meter service charge and a $400.00 tap fee, because the crew has to go back to install the tap.

5. The water lines would be installed not to exceed funds budgeted yearly for line extensions and in the order approved, which may not be the order the request was received.

6. Water line extensions will be installed only on roads or streets with public right of way (R/O/W) or a dedicated easement that equals the R/O/W for a private road or street.

Policy updated June 22, 2006
Revised May 22, 2008
Revised December 15, 2011