

RESOLUTION R-14-07

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING RECENT ACTIONS BY THE
DUPAGE WATER COMMISSION AND URGING THE COMMISSION
TO IMPLEMENT THE RECENT ACTIONS BY PASSING A BUDGET
THAT INCLUDES A WATER RATE REDUCTION**

WHEREAS, the DuPage Water Commission (the "Commission") is a water commission formed and existing pursuant to the Water Commission Act of 1985, 70 ILCS 3720/0.01 *et seq.*, and Division 135 of Article 11 of the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5/11-135-1 *et seq.*, for the purpose of securing an adequate source and supply of water for its customers; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is empowered under the law to finance, construct, acquire and operate a water supply system to serve municipalities in its territory; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's territory consists of over 300 square miles and encompasses a population of approximately 857,497 including twenty-five charter member municipalities, which includes the City of Wheaton; and

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2005, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Wheaton adopted Resolution No. R-18-05, supporting the DuPage Water Commission's intention to approve a Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan and Annual Management Budget, which also proposed a wholesale water rate reduction; and

WHEREAS, the DuPage Water Commission's annual budget document includes long-range financial plan (the "Plan") forecast to FY 20-21 which indicates excessive unrestricted cash balances; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is in the process of approving a Five Year Capital Improvement Plan and Annual Management Budget, which proposes a wholesale water rate reduction; and

WHEREAS, it is fiscally prudent to reduce the unrestricted cash balance surplus through a wholesale rate reduction, which will directly impact the fiscal health of the Commission's customers; and

WHEREAS, at the Water Commission meeting on December 14, 2006, the Commission approved several motions to direct the Commission's fiscal policies in a fiscally prudent manner; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wheaton supports the actions of the Water Commission on December 14, 2006, and urges the Commission to implement the actions through approval of the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Budget, its Five Year Capital Improvement Budget and long-range financial plan, including the implementation of a significant reduction in the current wholesale water rate;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Wheaton, Illinois, that

Section One. The recitals set forth above shall be and are hereby incorporated as if said recitals were fully set forth within this Section One.

Section Two. The Corporate Authorities of the City of Wheaton express support for a significant reduction in the Water Commission wholesale water rate.

Section Three. The Corporate Authorities of the City of Wheaton express support for a significant reduction in the unrestricted cash balance for all Water Commission funds to a level that is fiscally prudent and reflective of the Commission's limited purpose of operating a water supply system for its customers.

Section Four. The Corporate Authorities of the City of Wheaton direct the City Clerk to enter this Resolution into the Record of the City Council and to pursue decisions consistent herewith.

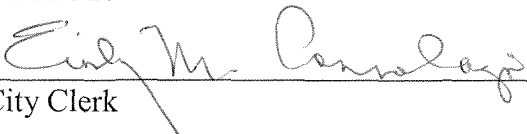
Section Five. The City Clerk is directed to immediately forward a certified copy of this Resolution to Louis Rathje, Chairman of the Commission, as well as all the Commission members.

Section Six. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

ADOPTED this 5th day of February, 2007.

Mayor 

ATTEST:



City Clerk

Ayes:

Roll Call Vote:

- Councilman Mouhelis
- Councilman Suess
- Councilman Bolds
- Councilwoman Corry
- Councilman Johnson
- Mayor Carr
- Councilman Levine

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Motion Carried Unanimously