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### Title/Name/Summary

First Amendment to the Oak Lawn Regional Water System - Ordinance

### History

As the Board is aware, the Oak Lawn Regional Water System (RWS) delivers Chicago water to the Village of Orland Park and other local southwest and southeast communities through the Village of Oak Lawn. In 2013, the RWS Supply and Service Agreement between the Village of Oak Lawn and the communities to which Oak Lawn provides water was finalized. This agreement included the design and construction of a fully redundant secondary transmission line which will deliver water needs to the southwest and southeast communities in the event of a catastrophic failure of the present transmission line, as well as other improvements to the water distribution system. It also provides the participating communities the ability to meet future water demands. Engineering and construction of several segments of the project have already been completed or are currently under way.

On September 9, 2020, as part of an update for participating customer communities, staff participated in a RWS meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to inform the Mayors of each of the respective customer communities on project status, as well as to discuss a much-needed amendment to the existing agreement in order to complete engineering and construction of the RWS approved improvements. To date, the RWS approved program cost is approximately \$216 million; however, due to multiple factors and delays, the project requires additional capital infusion to complete as intended.

Attached is a copy of the handout presentation and supplemental documentation for the project. The presentation provides more details regarding the project, and the specifics to the amendment needed to move forward.

The following are the next steps for this project:

1. Approval of ordinances by each customer community to the RWS Water Sale, Purchase and Service Agreement. This ordinance needs to be approved prior to the deadline for amendment approval is October 31, 2020.
2. The Project Design Team will continue to complete various design packages and solicit bids.
3. The anticipated overall project completion timeline is 2024.

On September 21, 2020, this item was reviewed and unanimously recommended for approval by the Committee of the Whole.

### Financial Impact

In addition to the total Capital Improvement Project costs, the Village of Orland Park will pay up to \$812,800 to cover the additional costs related to the Spur 2 which is the up-sized and realigned transmission line that will serve the Village of Orland Park. A request for \$812,800 will be added to

year 2021 CIP budget.

**Recommended Action/Motion**

I move to pass Ordinance Number 5549, entitled: An Ordinance of the Village of Orland Park, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois, amending certain provisions of the long term Water Sale, Purchase and Service Agreement by and among the Village of Oak Lawn, Cook County, Illinois, and other Municipalities, and authorizing the execution and delivery of said Amendment.