



## **MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

**DATE: January 6, 2014**

**CONSENT**

**ITEM # 8**

**AGENDA ITEM:** Request for Approval of Storm Water Abatement

**SUBMITTED BY:** Cathy Bendel, Finance Director

**THROUGH:** Cathy Bendel, Finance Director

**REVIEWED BY:** Adam Bell, Assistant City Administrator/City Clerk

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### **SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

- Introduction of Item ..... City Administrator
- Report/Presentation.....City Administrator
- Questions from Council to Staff ..... Mayor Facilitates
- Call for Motion ..... Mayor & City Council
- Discussion ..... Mayor & City Council
- Action on Motion..... Mayor Facilitates

**POLICY RECOMMENDER:** Washington County/Finance Director

**FISCAL IMPACT:** \$70.97

**SUMMARY AND ACTION REQUESTED:** Washington County contacted the City of Lake Elmo Finance Director to provide notice that parcel id #34.029.21.43.0002 was recently reclassified to an exempt status. Washington County needs the Lake Elmo City Council to approve the removal of this parcel from the 2014 tax roll since it previously approved the delinquent Storm Water fees to be assessed on October 1, 2013.

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:** NA

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION (SWOT):**

**Strengths** Our records will be up to date and match Washington County.

**Weaknesses** No longer able to assess the outstanding balance as a result of the parcel being classified as exempt.

**Opportunities** The Finance Department will continue to actively pursue direct collection of these fees as the amount will remain outstanding and due to the City.

**Threats** With no ability to file a lien on the parcel the collectability is no longer guaranteed.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The City Council is respectfully requested to approve the removal of assessment for parcel id 34.029.21.43.0002 from the 2014 tax roll files with Washington County.

**AUTHORITY:**

**2012 Minnesota Statutes: § 444.075 Subdivision 3**

“The governing body may fix and levy taxes for the payment of reasonable charges to the municipality or county itself”

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution 2014-03