



CITY OF LE SUEUR  
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

TO: Mayor and City Council  
FROM: Ryan Graff, Finance Director  
SUBJECT: Public Hearing – Delinquent Accounts  
DATE: For the City Council meeting of Monday, October 10, 2022

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**PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED**

Conduct a public hearing related to delinquent utility accounts owed to the City of Le Sueur.

**SUMMARY**

Annually, the City of Le Sueur sends out letters to delinquent utility account holders. In early September 2022, City staff sent out 441 letters, totaling \$ 481,337.68 in delinquent balances. As of the week of October 3, 2022, the delinquent balance has decreased to \$ 330,058.93.

The public hearing for delinquent accounts is intended to allow account holders to address City Council related to their delinquent accounts. City Council has the authority to direct staff on how to handle specific accounts.

City staff work diligently to provide utility account holders with access to budget billing, educate property owners on conservation opportunities, and provide information on utility assistance programs. It is not uncommon for staff to sit with property owners and assist in the completion of applications for various assistance programs.

Following the October 10<sup>th</sup> public hearing, final certification of delinquent accounts would be considered by Council at the November 14, 2022 Regular City Council meeting.

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Staff recommends that City Council open a public hearing on delinquent utility accounts, and direct staff to bring the final certification to the City Council meeting on November 14, 2022.