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## MEMORANDUM

Equipment Maintenance  
Roadway Maintenance  
Collection & Drainage  
Building & Grounds  
Engineering

To: Mayor and City Council Members

CC: Greg Jenkins, Interim City Administrator

FROM: Brian Stineman, Public Works Director

DATE: January 13, 2020

RE: Resolution to Implement Fees for Saw-Cutting City Streets

### INTRODUCTION:

Effective March 1, 2020, the City of Muscatine will require all saw cuts for pavement removal in city streets to be cut to the full depth of the existing pavement. This is being done to ensure that breakout of concrete under existing slabs is kept to a minimum. Contractors may request the City Roadway Maintenance Division to make these cuts if they are unable to perform the work themselves or are unable to hire the work from another contractor.

### BACKGROUND:

In the past city crews have performed these cuts on a will-call basis for no charge in order that we could control the depth of the saw cut to prevent break-out of pavement. The practice of providing this service for free is no longer sustainable and a fee schedule has been created to allow city staff to continue to perform the work if requested, but to allow the city to recover the costs of the operations. Staff proposes the following procedure and fee schedule: Saw cutting by the Roadway Maintenance Division must be scheduled at least three (3) days in advance of the work. The city will bill the contractor requesting the work an amount equal to the cost of the city to perform this service. The fee will consist of a \$200 base cost which covers the cost of two Roadway Maintenance workers to load and mobilize the full-depth saw to the location. This fee is a minimum and will be charged regardless of the requested location. In addition, there will be a charge of \$20 per linear foot sawed. This covers the cost of the personnel and equipment required to do the cutting.

### RECOMMENDATION/RATIONALE:

Staff recommends that council approve the fee schedule as submitted with a \$200 base fee and \$20 per linear foot of pavement sawed.

### BACKUP INFORMATION:

N/A

"I remember Muscatine for its sunsets. I have never seen any on either side of the ocean that equaled them" — Mark Twain

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-2028

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FEES RELATED TO  
SAW-CUTTING CITY STREETS FOR REMOVAL OF  
PAVEMENT WITHIN THE CITY OF MUSCATINE  
RIGHT OF WAY.

WHEREAS, the City Code for the City of Muscatine, Iowa, provides for a variety of City services, reviews and inspections; and

WHEREAS, the City Code allows for the City Council to establish fees associated with these various activities by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Muscatine, Iowa, has reviewed these fees and supports an increase;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF MUSCATINE, that pursuant to the provisions of the City Code, the following fees are established:

SAW-CUTTING FEE

<u>Type</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Base, Mobilization Fee	\$200.00 per location
Linear Foot Saw-cut Fee	\$20.00 per linear foot

EFFECTIVE DATE

The effective date of this resolution shall be March 1, 2020.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council for the City of Muscatine, Iowa, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020.

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Diana Broderson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Greg Jenkins, City Clerk