


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	21-052	Meeting:	February 8, 2021
	Agenda Item:	46	Roll Call:	[_____]
	Submitted by:	James M. Hoff, Facilities Manager		

AGENDA HEADING:

New Sections 26-904 and 26-905, relating to revised deadlines for submittal of energy and use benchmarking reports and exemptions.

SYNOPSIS:

Amends the Energy and Water Benchmarking Ordinance to revise benchmarking deadlines and other key dates based on evaluation of program improvements and required coordination with partner energy and water utilities.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- On June 3, 2019 City Council approved adding and enacting Article IX. Energy and Water Use Benchmarking, relating to energy and water use benchmarking for certain properties in the City.
- Amends the ordinance under Sec. 26-904. Benchmarking Reporting Schedule, Part (b), to extend annual reporting deadlines for the preceding data reporting year to July 1st of each succeeding calendar year.
- Amends Sec. 26-904. Benchmarking Reporting Schedule, Part (d), to extend the date of publication for energy and water data to December 31st of each succeeding calendar year.
- Amends Sec. 26-905. Benchmarking Exemptions, Part (b) to extend the date from March 1st to May 1st for the annual exemption request deadline.
- These changes accommodate automatic data release dates identified by our partner utilities to property owners. It also provides additional time for program staff to evaluate, review, and resolve data accuracy and inaccuracies with reported data before publication for each reporting cycle.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: June 3, 2019

Roll Call Number: [19-0917](#), [19-0918](#), and [19-0919](#)

Action: [Amending](#) Chapter 26 of the Municipal Code regarding energy and water use benchmarking for certain properties in the City, as amended. ([Council Communication No. 19-265](#)) Moved by Mandelbaum to receive and file comments and documents, and that this ordinance do now pass after striking Section 26-904(d) sections 1 and 2 and all of Section 26-909, and to have amendments to the ordinance for consideration at the July 15th Council meeting regarding pathways for performance verification as an option to not publicly disclose information and regarding civil penalties, [#15,779](#). Motion Carried 5-2. Nays: Gatto and Westergaard.

(A) [Amendment](#) to the Schedule of Administrative Penalties. Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Motion Carried 5-2. Nays: Gatto and Westergaard.

(B) [Amendment](#) to the Schedule of Fees. Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Motion Carried 5-2. Nays: Gatto and Westergaard.

Date: September 14, 2020

Roll Call Number: [20-1482](#)

Action: [Amending](#) Chapter 26 by adding and enacting new Section 26-909, relating to energy and water use benchmarking civil penalties. Moved by Mandelbaum that this ordinance do now pass, [#15,918](#). Motion Carried 5-2. Nays: Gatto and Westergaard.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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