

**A RESOLUTION BY
COUNCILMEMBER J.P. MATZIGKEIT**

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF WATERSHED MANAGEMENT DEVELOP A PROGRAM TO DEFER PAYMENT OF ALL WATER BILLS FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES AFFECTED BY THE GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the shutdown of the United States Government has resulted in the furlough of a number of federal government employees; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this furlough, thousands of federal employees and their families in metropolitan Atlanta may be experiencing financial hardships; and

WHEREAS, the Atlanta City Council expresses its desire to provide an avenue for some financial relief by establishing a program that will allow the deferral of payment on sewer and water bills for federal employees, including a program that waives any accrued late fees upon documentation that a customer can provide proof that they are an employee of the federal government.

THE ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL HEREBY RESOLVES that the Commissioner of the Department of Watershed Management develop a program to defer payment of all water bills for customers affected by the government shutdown.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that water and sewer customers who notify and provide proof of federal employment to the Department of Watershed Management will continue to receive service and not be expected to pay their monthly bills during the shutdown.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that after the shutdown of the federal government ends and employees are able to resume normal job duties, the impacted customers' account balances will be due in full (waiving any late fee/penalties that may be accrued) on their next regularly due date. In addition, payment plans will be available for those in need.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Watershed Management shall provide an update on the program to the City Utilities Committee.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that all resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed for purposes of this resolution only and only to the extent of the conflict.

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