



## City Council Meeting – Jan. 21, 2020 Staff Responses to Council Questions

Before each Committee of the Whole or City Council meeting, questions that have been posed by the City Council relating to [the agenda](#) for that evening will be posted to the City's website. Below are the responses to this week's questions.

### **Agenda Item 11. Municipal Bills for Payment**

#### **1) Municipal Code Corporation, \$6,568.15**

Q: How often is this charge incurred, and is it variable based on the number of code changes the City made?

A: This charge is typically quarterly based upon the number of code changes (as stated). This was a particularly large expense due to the update of the City Code relating to the downtown zoning updates that were approved in August 2019.

#### **2) Nicor, \$17,550.43 for Averill Road**

Q: Is this charge for gas usage or a fixed charge? The same location incurred \$17,455 in December and \$17,936 in November.

A: Geneva has a four-year contract (good through Aug. 31, 2023) with Nicor to provide transportation and balancing services for the Geneva Generation Facility (GGF). This is mostly a fixed charge for pipeline service to GGF. There is a smaller variable component based on the volume of gas transported during the month. The purchase of natural gas is separate; this is for transportation only.

#### **3) Speer Financial, \$845**

Q: What are various general obligation bond services, and how often do we incur them?

A: Annually we are required to submit financial disclosures that Speer coordinates and posts on its website for current and future bondholders. This is required pursuant to the bond documents.

#### **4) Valley Fire Protection, \$13,532**

Q: What was the repair to the fire suppression tank? How expensive is a new fire suppression tank?

A: This is a Tri-Com Central Dispatch expense that was approved by the Tri-Com Board of Directors. Ultimately, the fire suppression tank will no longer be required once Tri-Com is connected to St. Charles' water service (anticipated to be within the next 18 to 24 months).