EXHIBIT A 1 2 City of Hobart Ordinance No. 2016-25 3 4 5 CITY OF HOBART STORM WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS 6 SCHEDULE OF USER FEE RATES AND CHARGES 7 8 **JANUARY 1, 2017 until further notice** 9 10 **Application.** This schedule shall apply to every parcel of real estate 11 Section 1. within the boundaries of the City of Hobart which is improved by a residence, other building, 12 structure or appurtenance which results in an adjusted impervious area. An adjusted impervious 13 area of not more than 1650 square feet shall constitute 1 (one) Equivalent Runoff Unit ("ERU"). 14 15 **Definitions.** For the purposes of this schedule, the terms following shall 16 Section 2. have the specified meaning: 17 18 19 **Residential Customer.** An owner of a parcel of real estate within the City improved by a single family dwelling. 20 21 22 Non Residential Customer. An owner of a parcel of real estate within the City which is improved by a building, structure or appurtenance other 23 than a single family dwelling. 24 25 26 Adjusted Impervious Area. The area of a parcel of real estate covered by buildings, roadways, walks and structures which prevent the free 27 absorption of rain water by the soil. An Adjusted Impervious Area of 1650 28 29 square feet equals one ERU. For the purposes of this schedule, a single family dwelling (residential customer) is assumed to have 1 ERU, irrespective of size. 30 31 32 **Establishment of Rates.** The Department shall assign each owner of Section 3. a parcel of real estate a classification as to whether such owner is a residential or non-33 residential customer as to that parcel. Non-residential customers, for each parcel, shall have that 34 parcel further classified as to the number of ERUs for the parcel based on the adjusted 35 impervious area of the parcel. The non-residential classes of parcels for rate purposes are 36 established as those having up to five (5) ERUs, those having from five (5) to ten (10) ERUs, 37 those having from ten (10) to twenty five (25) ERUs, those having from twenty five (25) to fifty 38 (50) ERUs, and those having more than fifty (50) ERUs. The owner of each parcel of real estate 39 in the City of Hobart, commencing January 1, 2017, and increasing each year thereafter on 40 January 1, shall pay a storm water fee, annually, as follows: 41 42 43 44 45 46

	Calendar Year 2017	Calendar Year 2018	Calendar Year 2019	Calendar Year 2020	January 1, 2021 and thereafter
Residential Customers:					
Customer Charge ERU Charge Total	\$ 36.00 81.95 \$117.95	\$36.00 86.50 122.50	\$36.00 91.10 127.10	\$36.00 95.65 131.65	\$ 36.00 100.20 \$136.20
Non-Residential Customers:					
Customer Charge Charge per ERU:	\$36.00	\$36.00	\$36.00	\$36.00	\$ 36.00
First 2 ERUs	\$81.95	\$86.50	\$91.10	\$95.65	\$100.20
Next 68 ERUs	54.67	57.71	60.75	63.79	66.83
Over 70 ERUs	27.29	28.81	30.33	31.85	33.37

Section 4. Payment of User Fees. The user fees prescribed in this schedule shall be collected through a charge appearing on the semiannual property tax statement of each affected property owner of the City. The amount to be charged on each semiannual property tax statement shall be an amount equal to the applicable annual rate for the property owner in each year as stated above divided by two (2).

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Section 5. Enforcement. The Storm Water Management Department of the City of Hobart may impose a lien on the real estate of a person or organization who, for a period of more than sixty (60) days, fails to pay the full rates and charges prescribed herein when due, and may foreclose upon the lien when necessary or desirable. This paragraph is not intended to limit the legal and equitable rights of the Department to obtain appropriate enforcement of the sums due by any other lawful means.

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COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOBART

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-25

An Ordinance Adopting a New Revised System of Rates and Charges for User Fees for the Operation and Maintenance of the City Storm Water System and Continuing to Provide for Payment and Collection of Such Fees through the **Property Tax Statements of Affected Property Owners**

WHEREAS, the Common Council ("Council") of the City of Hobart, Indiana ("City") has received the record of recent actions taken by the Board of Directors ("Board") of the City Department of Storm Water Management ("Department"), which has determined that it is necessary to continue to secure funds for the operation and maintenance of the City storm water system; and

WHEREAS, the Board, being mindful of the City's vast water resources, and the need to protect and enhance the ability of the City to channel and dispose of its storm waters, has carefully considered the need to extend, improve, reconstruct, replace or upgrade substantial portions of the City storm water system in order to provide an environmentally responsible, healthful, efficient and effective means of controlling, directing and treating storm water flows within the City, all required by the laws of the United States and the State of Indiana; and

WHEREAS, Hobart has been designated by State and Federal authorities as a MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) community, and is required to conform to regulations and permitting requirements administered by USEPA through the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES); and

WHEREAS, the Department continues to be subject to an Administrative Order of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management which contains a Compliance Plan requiring the Department to achieve certain specified milestones to control SSOs (sanitary sewer overflows) related to storm water inflow and infiltration through a schedule of improvements to the storm water system of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Board compiled a proposed spending plan ("Plan") consisting of the determination, for the period from January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2021, of the minimum amount of funds necessary for the operation and maintenance of the City storm water system as required by I.C. §8-1.5-5-7 (b); and

WHEREAS, the Board has also carefully considered the adoption of a system of user fees and charges which equitably spreads the cost of funding the Plan among residential and commercial property owners, taking into account those factors authorized by I.C. §8-1.5-5-7 (d), and making classifications employing the variations authorized by I.C. §8-1.5-5-7 (e); and

WHEREAS, the Board, in order to make said system of fees and charges effective in the City as required by I.C. §8-1.5-5-7 (b), is required to conduct a public hearing upon same after due notice to the public is published in the manner required by §5-3-1-2 (b), to then adopt its

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resolution making the Board's adoption of such rates and charges, and recommending final action by the Common Council ("Council") of the City to give effect to such system of rates and charges by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Board, having considered all of the matters referenced above adopted its

Resolution Number 2016-03 on July 5, 2016 which proposed a newly revised user fee system of rates and charges to take effect on January 1, 2017 and to remain in effect until further notice, to continue to collect said fees through the property tax statements of affected property owners, and scheduled public hearing upon said matters for August 10, 2016 at the Board's regular meeting scheduled for that date and authorized publication of notice of same in the manner required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Board gave notice of such hearing by publication in two newspapers of general circulation in the City, namely *The Post-Tribune* and *The Times*, both on July 20, 2016 and July 27, 2016, in the manner required by I.C. §5-3-1-2(b), and such hearing was conducted as scheduled on August 10, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Board, at the conclusion of said public hearing, adopted and approved its Resolution No. 2016-03 confirming its final action on the newly revised system of rates and charges for said user fees effective January 1, 2017, their collection by a charge appearing on the semiannual property tax statements of affected property owners in the City, and recommending the adoption and enactment of these actions by the Council; and

WHEREAS, the Council has carefully evaluated the materials prepared by the Board in connection with the proposed rate system, and has had the opportunity to ask questions concerning the proposed adoption of the newly revised rate system; and

WHEREAS, the Council has concluded that the adoption of the proposed newly revised system of Storm Water rates and charges proposed is in the best interest of all of the residents of the City, that the expense of proper maintenance, planning and development for the Storm Water system require adequate resources which are not otherwise obtainable, and that failure to address the storm water management needs of the City will expose it to worsening overflows, inundations, legal challenges by governmental authorities and even higher costs to its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to approve said newly revised system of rates and charges and their collection through a charge appearing on the semiannual property tax statements of affected property owners in the City.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Hobart,

SECTION ONE. The User Fee system of Rates and Charges for the City Storm Water Department which is proposed to take effect on January 1, 2017, and remain in effect until further notice, as described and set out on Exhibit "A," attached, is hereby adopted and approved in every respect.