

Resolution—Recommend Approval of Permanent Water and Access Easements and Rights-of-Way for City of Ithaca Water Main

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Joint Sewer Agreement (revised December 31, 2003, and last amended February 20, 2019) among the City of Ithaca, Town of Ithaca and Town of Dryden (collectively, the “Municipal Owners”), the Municipal Owners presently own, operate and maintain the Ithaca Area Wastewater Treatment Facility (“IAWWTF”), located at 525 Third Street in the City of Ithaca, on property owned by them and described in the Warranty Deed with Lien Covenant dated December 22, 2011, which was recorded in the Tompkins County Clerk’s Office on December 27, 2011 as Instrument Number 585279-001, Tax Map Parcel Number 24.-1-1.2 (“IAWWTF Property”); and

WHEREAS, the City has requested permission to construct and install a water main on IAWWTF Property from the northern IAWWTF Property boundary on Cascadilla Creek to Station 2+05, and from Station 2+05 to Station 0+00 (“New Water Main”), which New Water Main will connect to an existing water main owned by the City and located on the IAWWTF Property, all as depicted in the Utility Plan Sheet C402 drawing titled “Phase 1 City Harbor Development, City Harbor, LLC and the Guthrie Clinic, 101 Pier Road, Ithaca, New York” initially dated July 14, 2020, and last revised on April 9, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the New Water Main benefits the IAWWTF and Municipal Owners because the New Water Main will (a) create a loop in the City’s water distribution system that will provide water service redundancy to the IAWWTF; (b) eliminate water quality issues at the existing dead-end City water main located on the IAWWTF Property; and (c) significantly increase fire flows to the IAWWTF Property; and

WHEREAS, at its April 14, 2021 meeting, the Special Joint Committee of the IAWWTF (“SJC”) reviewed and discussed the proposed Permanent Water and Access Easements and Rights-of-Way for City of Ithaca Water Main; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the SJC recommends that the Municipal Owners’ governing bodies approve the Permanent Water and Access Easements and Rights-of-Way for City of Ithaca Water Main.