NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED SEWER RATES AND CHARGES BY THE CITY OF VALPARAISO, INDIANA

Property owners, ratepayers, and other interested parties served or to be served by the sewage works of the City of Valparaiso, Indiana ("City"), are hereby notified that the City Council has introduced proposed Ordinance No. 25-2019 ("Ordinance"), which establishes the City's rates and charges for sewer service **for the Damon Run Service Area only**. The City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, October 28, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., local time, at the City Hall, 166 Lincolnway, Valparaiso, IN 46383, in order to receive public input on the Ordinance and may consider adoption thereof at such time. **Please note that the rates and charges under the Ordinance do not apply to existing sewer customers currently connected to Valparaiso City Utilities.** The Ordinance adopts sewer rates and charges for those properties connected to the Damon Run System once acquired by the City. **Accordingly, although existing customers of VCU may still receive notice pursuant to I.C.§ 36-9-23-26(b), the sewer rates for existing customers of VCU are not altered and remain in effect.** For further information regarding the proposed Ordinance, please contact Valparaiso City Utilities at 219-462-6174. The schedule of the rates and charges for the Damon Run Service Area, which are more fully set forth in the Ordinance, is as follows:

VALPARAISO CITY UTILITIES
SCHEDULE OF SEWER RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE DAMON RUN SERVICE AREA ONLY
ORDINANCE NO. 25-2019

I. Monthly Rates and Charges

(A) Monthly Fixed Rate per EDU $60.78

(B) Metered Flow Rate (per 1,000 gallons) $7.77

II. Connection or Capacity Fee $2,700 per EDU

III. Effective Date: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage; however, the monthly rates and charges provided herein will not be implemented until the day that Damon Run, VCU, and the City close on the acquisition of Damon Run's sewer system to the City.

At the October 28, 2019 meeting of the City Council and prior to final adoption of Ordinance No. 25-2019, any property owners, ratepayers, or anyone else interested in the proceedings may appear and be heard concerning the proposed rates and charges. The hearing may be adjourned, if necessary. A complete copy of the Ordinance may be reviewed at the City Hall located at 166 Lincolnway, Valparaiso, IN 46383. I.C.§ 36-9-23-26(a) and I.C.§ 8-1.5-3-8.1(c) require that this notice include a statement that following adoption of the Ordinance, users of the works for service to property located outside the City's corporate boundaries may be entitled to petition the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission to review and address the rates and charges imposed on the users if a petition under I.C. § 36-9-23 with respect to the same rate ordinance has not been filed.

CITY OF VALPARAISO, INDIANA
/s/ Sharon Swihart, Clerk-Treasurer
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