

THE VILLAGE OF SAUK VILLAGE
COOK AND WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION
NUMBER NO. 11-22

**RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NUMBER 11-12 AND
INITIATING THE SUBMISSION OF PUBLIC QUESTION REGARDING
LAKE MICHIGAN WATER**

LEWIS TOWERS, MAYOR
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WHEREAS, the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois (the “Village”) is a non-home rule municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Sauk Village currently receives its potable water supply from wells; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Sauk Village’s water wells are currently in need of significant repairs; and

WHEREAS, many municipalities throughout Illinois receive their potable water source from Lake Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Sauk Village previously passed Resolution Number 11-12 on March 22, 2011 approving the submission of a public question to the voters of the Village of Sauk Village at the November 8, 2011 general election regarding whether the residents of the Village were interested in and would be willing to pay for Lake Michigan water as the source of potable water for the Village; and

WHEREAS, since that date there has been significant discussion and debate within the Village of Sauk Village regarding the Village water source options and options for repairs to the Village water wells; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Sauk Village held a public meeting on November 5, 2011 in order to discuss the Village water source and repair options and was unable to determine which option was supported by the majority of the Village residents; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Sauk Village desires to amend Resolution 11-12 (Initiating the Submission of a Public Question Regarding Lake Michigan Water) in order

to provide additional information to its residents and to determine whether the residents of the Village of Sauk Village are interested in and would be willing to pay for Lake Michigan water as the source of potable water for the Village of Sauk Village, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois, by and through its non-home rule powers, as follows:

Section 1. That the above recitals and legislative findings are found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in their entirety.

Section 2. A binding public question shall be submitted to the voters of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, State of Illinois at the March 20, 2012 general primary election (or at the next available election permitted by the general election law) as follows:

Shall the Village of Sauk Village upgrade its municipal water system to provide Lake Michigan water and abandon all current wells for an estimated cost of Nineteen Million Seven Hundred Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$19,700,000), which will increase your water rate by an estimated \$6.87 per 1,000 gallons of water use and will increase your monthly water bill by approximately \$73.00 per month for an average household?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
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To be included on the ballot: For example, a current water bill of \$141 every other month will now be \$287 (\$141 + \$146 = \$287). The project is expected to be completed by December 2016.

Section 3. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish this authorizing resolution within ten days after passage in a newspaper of general circulation within the Village and to file this authorizing resolution or other related matters with the appropriate election officials in accordance with applicable law.

Section 4. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval as required by law.

PASSED by the Mayor and Board of Trustee of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois this 13th day of December, 2011, pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT
Benson		x		
Burgess	x			
Chavez	x			
Hanks	x			
Myers	x			
Williams	x			
(Mayor Towers)				
TOTAL	5	1		

APPROVED by the Mayor of the Village of Sauk Village, Cook and Will Counties, Illinois on this 13th day of December, 2011.

Lewis Towers, Mayor

ATTEST:

Debra L. Williams, Village Clerk