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**Memo 08/2017: Residential Service Costs from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017**

Dear Residents,

Residents are advised that there are **changes** in the Municipal Charges for Electricity, Water and Sewage by the City Council.

**Electricity** – the proposed **Home User Fee of R250pm** has been **withdrawn** as many objections were received. Citizens are buying less electricity in response to the increasing cost per unit and are also becoming more energy efficient and installing alternate sources. The proposed **Home User Fee of R250pm** for all residential properties valued at over R1million are to try and recover some lost revenue required to cover cost of maintaining, upgrading and growing in the city's electricity supply network. Therefore, we now think it is likely that there will be a fairly large increase in the charge per kwh for Domestic Users.

**Water** – Domestic users will no longer get the 6 kilolitres per month of free water. The charge for sewage will also change and now start at 1kl and not at 4.2kl as in the 2016/17 fee structure.

I am sure we can expect additional charges as a result of the need to invest in a range of expensive additional sources of potable water for Cape Town due to the current drought situation.

Kind regards,

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