Department Source: City Utilities - Water and Light

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: December 18, 2017

Re: Amending Chapter 27 of the City Code as it relates to the commercial loan program

Executive Summary

Staff has prepared for Council consideration an ordinance amending Chapter 27 -165 of the City Code as it relates to the commercial loan program for energy efficiency.

Discussion

Chapter 27-165 of the City Code governs the energy efficiency loans for residential and commercial properties and identifies the purpose, loan amounts based on utility customer classification and the terms of the loans.

Most commercial buildings have multiple suites or businesses. Each suite typically has individual Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) systems, separate lighting and lighting controls and are individually metered. The current cap of $30,000 does not allow for multiple units to be improved. To increase the commercial energy efficiency opportunities within a building structure, staff is recommending for the limit of $30,000 per commercial loan in 27-167(e) be changed to provide up to $30,000 per electric meter with a cap of $90,000 per property.

This ordinance revision received a supportive vote by the Water & Light Advisory Board at their December 8, 2017 meeting for forwarding to the City Council with recommendation for approval.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None

Long-Term Impact: None

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impacts

[Strategic Plan Impacts:](http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/city-manager/)

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/community_development/comprehensive_plan/documents/ColumbiaImagined-FINAL.pdf)

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History

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Suggested Council Action

Staff recommends that Council amend Chapter 27 as outlined in the accompanying ordinance.