## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

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New Utility Customer/Current resident Lockport, IL 60441



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Dear New Utility Customer,

Welcome to the City of Joliet Public Utility System. On **November 1, 2019**, ownership, operation and maintenance of the Fairmont water & sewer system will be transferred to the City of Joliet.

Included with this letter is **Your Guide to Joliet Public Utilities**, which explains *who we are* and *what we do.* It also contains billing information and valuable information about programs and incentives offered to Joliet Utility Customers. A **Billing Comparison** breakdown has also been provided, which shows what to expect for rates in the next 3 years, comparing usage amounts to those amounts you are currently being billed through Lockport Township. Water and sewer rates for the next 3 years were recently approved by the Joliet City Council. Water customers whose usage is currently under 5000 gallons/month, may enjoy lower rates compared to Lockport Township, once the meter is replaced and you start receiving a bill for metered usage. We have also included **Meter Replacement Information**, which consists of information about backflow prevention and the required expansion tank, as well as some other answers to frequently asked questions.

The web pages for the Fairmont transfer <a href="https://www.joliet.gov/departments/fairmont">https://www.joliet.gov/departments/fairmont</a>, have been updated to include this letter and attachments, as well as the following additional information, in English and Spanish:

- Direct Debit Application (optional)
- Water & Sewer Application (required)
- Project Agreement Form (required)
- Lead Information Notice
- Payment Options sheet
- FAQ's (updated)
- 2019 Water Quality Report

- Rethink Water Newsletter
- Everbridge flyer
- Brochure for Toilet Rebate
- Brochure for Rain Barrel Subsidy

Welcome Packets with hardcopies of all this information are available (in both English & Spanish), for those without web access, at the Fairmont Community Center and Fairmont School.

New Utility Customers will be able to return the forms via the following options:

- Email: <u>awagner@joliet.gov</u>
- Mail or drop off: Public Utilities Department, 150 W Jefferson St., Joliet, IL 60432
- Drop off: Fairmont Community Center, 525 Barry Ave., Lockport, IL 60441

Other questions and concerns may be directed to the City of Joliet Department of Public Utilities at **815-724-4220** and your question will be directed to the appropriate staff member.

Sincerely,

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