



# CITY OF FORT WAYNE

THOMAS C. HENRY, MAYOR

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Mayor Henry connects southwest residents to City Utilities water**

*Fort Wayne, Ind.* – City Utilities water is now flowing to residents in phase one of the southwest transition to City water.

Mayor Tom Henry today joined residents in the Abbey Place Villas neighborhood to flush a fire hydrant and drink a toast with City water.

Today, nearly 2,200 customers in phase one, an area between Bass Road to the north and Jefferson Boulevard to the south, were connected to City water.

The remainder of the more than 12,500 customers will be connected in phases over a 10-month period.

While some residents will be phased in over the next several months, all residents in the former Aqua Indiana service area are now receiving the lower billing rate of City Utilities. Collectively, this will result in a savings of nearly \$1 million for customers in the area.

“This is a great day in the City of Fort Wayne as we begin to provide our award-winning water services to more residents,” said Mayor Henry. “Since becoming Mayor, my team and I have worked tirelessly to bring City water to residents in southwest Fort Wayne. By working together, we’re making a meaningful difference to enhance our quality of life and be a leader in meeting the needs of our community by investing in the future.”

Yesterday, Mayor Henry and Aqua Indiana officials signed the final documents to complete the City’s purchase of Aqua’s water system in southwest Fort Wayne.

New customers are receiving a welcome letter this week, detailing the estimated timeline for connection. Additional information is available at [www.cityoffortwayne.org/aquatransition](http://www.cityoffortwayne.org/aquatransition).

Current City Utilities customers will not see increased water rates as a result of new customers being added to the water system.

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