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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED CHANGES IN CITY OF SANTA BARBARA WASTEWATER RATES
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019

Date: Tuesday, June 12, 2018, 2:00 p.m.
Place: City of Santa Barbara Council Chambers, City Hall
735 Anacapa Street, Santa Barbara

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PROPOSED RATE CHANGES

You are receiving this Notice because our records indicate that you are a City of Santa Barbara utility customer. This Notice describes the proposed wastewater (sewer) rate changes and explains how you can file a protest and participate in the process. Some customers are billed by the City for some, but not all services. This notice applies only to the services that appear on your bill from the City.

Wastewater Rate Changes

The proposed wastewater rate change is a 6% percent increase to the City's current charges for all customer classes. Residential basic charges will increase from \$18.52 to \$19.63, with volumetric charges increasing from \$3.22 to \$3.41 per hundred cubic feet (HCF) of water used per month. Commercial Service Charges will increase from \$3.65 to \$3.87 per HCF of water used, subject to the minimum charge by meter size. Industrial Service Charges will increase from \$4.43 to \$4.70 per HCF of water used, subject to the minimum charge by meter size.

The maximum monthly charge for a single family residential customer would increase by \$3.01 under the proposed rates. The proposed increase will fund improvements and replacement of critical facilities used to treat wastewater, repair of the City's aging sewer system, and will fund system operations. This includes replacement of critical facilities at the wastewater treatment plant.

How will the proposed changes impact my wastewater bill?

Some common service levels are represented in the table below.

Customer Class	Example	Assumed Monthly Usage (hcf/mth)*	Total Monthly Wastewater Charges		
			Current Rates	Proposed Rates	Proposed Increase
Single Family Residential	Low User 5/8" meter	6	\$37.84	\$40.09	\$2.25
	Average User 5/8" meter	12	\$50.72	\$53.73	\$3.01
Multi-Family Residential Building	12 dwelling units 2" meter	60	\$415.44	\$440.16	\$24.72
Commercial Classes 1, 2, & 3	2" meter	60	\$219.00	\$232.20	\$13.20
Commercial Class 4	2" meter	100	\$443.00	\$470.00	\$27.00

*Regardless of the amount of water used, the volumetric sewer charge is capped at 10 HCF per month for single family residential customers, 8 HCF per month per unit for multi-family residential (MFR) customers with 1-4 dwelling units, and 7 HCF per month per unit for MFR customers with 5 or more dwelling units.

