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# City of Sacramento

## LEGISLATIVE BODIES

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MEETING DATE: 1.25.12

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Agenda Item No: 3

Subject: RAC

In Favor

Oppose

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Organization/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Council District No.: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Organization/Business Name: Craig Powell

Council District No.: 4

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# An Eye on Sacramento Analysis of Proposed Sewer and Water Rate Hikes

## 15 Years of Sewer Rates Hikes

The proposed rate hikes give no consideration at all to concurrent dramatic sewer rate hikes (for treating city wastewater) that are being initiated by the Sacramento Regional Sanitation District to pay for a new sewage treatment plant. Regional Sanitation has announced that rates will triple over the next eight years to pay for the plant, rising from a current \$22/mo. to \$68/mo. by 2020 for an average rate hike of \$5.75 each year for each of the eight years.

Overlaying the Regional Sanitation hikes (for treatment) on the proposed city sewer rate hikes (for collection) will slam ratepayers with the following sewer rate hikes over the next 9 years:

	<u>Now</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
City Sewer	\$14.74	17.10	19.67	22.42	25.59*	29.14*	32.05*	35.26*	38.78*
Reg. San	<u>22.00</u>	<u>27.75</u>	<u>33.50</u>	<u>39.25</u>	<u>45.00</u>	<u>50.75</u>	<u>56.50</u>	<u>62.25</u>	<u>68.00</u>
Sewer Rates	\$36.74	44.85	53.17	61.67	70.59	79.89	88.55	97.51	106.78

\* Based on DOU's Projected 15-Year Sewer Rate Hike Schedule

To recap, city sewer rates (including the pass thru of Regional Sanitation charges) will increase 68% after three years, 117% after five years and 191% after eight years - much higher than has been disclosed by DOU staff. The DOU has also produced a schedule of anticipated rate hikes over 15 years and over 30 years in order to fund the proposed projects. Hikes in sewer rates would not stop after nine years. In years 9 thru 15 the DOU projects needed rates hikes will average 8% annually. The DOU has not disclosed the schedule of anticipated hikes over the next 30 years.

Assuming Regional Sanitation raised its rates by the same percentage as the city raised its sewer rates in years 9 thru 15, city sewer rates (including the Regional Sanitation pass thru) would increase from \$106.78 in year 8 to \$183.01 in year 15, a hike of \$146.27/mo. or 398% over the current rate.

### 15 Years of Water Rate Hikes

City water rates already start at a much higher base rate than city sewer rates. While they will not slated to rise as rapidly as sewer rates, the total dollar impact on ratepayers will be almost as devastating:

	<u>Now</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Water Rates	\$34.35	37.79	41.56	45.72	50.29*	55.32*	60.30*	65.73*	71.64*

\* Years 2015-2019 Based on DOU's Projected 15-Year Water Rate Hike Schedule

In percentage terms, water rates will increase 33% after three years, 61% after 5 years and 109% after eight years. DOU anticipates that the projects will require water rate hikes that will increase monthly rates from \$71.64 in year 8 to \$114 in year 15, a hike of \$79.65/mo. or 232% over the current rate.

### Combined Impact of Water and Sewer Rate Hikes

The combined impact of explosive sewer and water rate hikes will slam residential and business ratepayers, as the following recap illustrates:

	<u>Now</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Sewer Rates	\$36.74	44.85	53.17	61.67	70.59	79.89	88.55	97.51	106.78
Water Rates	<u>34.35</u>	<u>37.79</u>	<u>41.56</u>	<u>45.72</u>	<u>50.29</u>	<u>55.32</u>	<u>60.30</u>	<u>65.73</u>	<u>71.64</u>
Comb. Rate	\$71.09	82.64	94.73	107.39	120.88	135.21	148.85	163.24	178.42
<b>Increase/Mo.</b>	--	<b>\$11.55</b>	<b>23.64</b>	<b>36.30</b>	<b>49.79</b>	<b>64.12</b>	<b>77.76</b>	<b>92.15</b>	<b>107.33</b>
<b>Increase/Yr.</b>	--	<b>\$139</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>436</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>769</b>	<b>933</b>	<b>1106</b>	<b>1288</b>

These combined rates will continue to increase considerable in years 9 thru 15 as scheduled water and sewer rate hikes for those years kick in, as noted in paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

### Proposal Fails to Consider Impact of Future Hikes in Other Utility Services

It is vital for the public to understand that these monthly and annual rate hikes amounts and percentages only include hikes in city water and sewer rates. The rate hikes do not include likely hikes in city solid waste and storm drainage rates (currently \$48.62/mo. combined).

City staff has already announced a plan to seek voter approval next year of a major hike in the storm drainage rate. Since that rate can only be changed with voter approval, the rate has remain unchanged since 1998. We can anticipate that the city will

seek a significant hike in the storm drainage rate due to the infrequency of hikes and the difficulty of securing approval.

While the city is taking a one-year hiatus in hikes to solid waste rates, the city has historically raised the solid waste rates at a much higher pace than the rate of inflation. An amendment last year to the city's contract with BLT Enterprises, the operator of the city's garbage transfer station, is certain to trigger a hike in solid waste rates starting two years hence. Solid waste rates in Sacramento are already the highest in the region (saving only Davis), while the city provides a lower level of solid waste services than most local cities.

### **City Utilities Bills Likely to Exceed \$200/mo. in Five Years; \$300/mo. in Eight Years**

If the proposed hikes in water and sewer rates are approved by the city council, it is highly likely that future hikes in solid waste and storm drainage rates requested by city staff will push the average monthly city utilities bills for homeowners to over \$200/mo. within four years and push them close to \$300/mo. within eight years.

### **Rate Hikes Will Lead to Biggest General Tax Hike in City History: The Utilities Tax**

The city collects approximately \$80 million in water and sewer charges annually. Due to the 11% imbedded utility tax on city utility charges, the city collects general fund taxes of approximately \$9 million per year on its water and sewer rate collections. **The current \$9 million general fund tax on water and sewer charges will escalate dramatically if the proposed rate hikes are approved, rising to over \$17 million by 2016 (a 90% increase) and to \$23 million by 2019 (a 151% increase) - all without a vote of the people.**

It is wholly unacceptable that heavy rate hikes designed to correct extraordinary infrastructure problems should result in a dramatically greater tax burden on hard-pressed ratepayers or a massive windfall to the city's general fund.

The city council should ameliorate this unintended and improper impact of the imbedded utility tax by fully abating (by charter amendment, if necessary) the utility tax on that portion of the rate hike that is being used for capital improvements and preserve the tax only on that portion of the hikes needed to fund operating cost increases. This will allow more infrastructure work to be done with less of a burden on homeowners, businesses and the Sacramento local economy.

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Agenda Item No: 3

Subject: Utility Rate Increase

In Favor

Oppose

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Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name: Julie Berrey

Address: 1833 Beverly Way

Organization/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Council District No.: 4

Not a City Resident

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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As a City of Sacramento resident, I respectfully request that the Commission approve the proposed utility rate increases. Sacramento is not immune from this nation's problems of crumbling infrastructure. Many, if not most, of our water and sewer assets are at or beyond their service life. At current funding levels, replacement of sewer infrastructure will continue on a 650-year cycle. That is unconscionable. None of us wants raw sewage running down our streets or backing up into our houses, businesses or public parks. Yet, that is what we face if we don't take measures now to fund operation, maintenance, repair and capital improvement of our water and wastewater infrastructure.

I witnessed first-hand the inevitable outcome of not investing in our infrastructure. Just last week a water main ruptured in a neighbor's back yard because the line was old, brittle and could not withstand that morning's cold temperatures. Emergency response is always more expensive than proactive repair and replacement. Several city employees worked long hours that day digging up my neighbor's yard and making the repair. My neighbor's property was damaged, and the City will have to pay for repair of her property. The water on our street was turned off for several hours while the City made the repair. This is just one minor example of the desperate need for maintenance, repair, and replacement of our water and sewer infrastructure.

Postponing maintenance, repairs, and capital improvement projects will not make the problems go away. The problems only get worse, and the repairs more costly. Add to that the real possibility of stiff enforcement action (monetary penalties) by state regulatory agencies or third-party lawsuits, and the cost of not passing this utility rate increase far outweighs the marginal increase we will see in our monthly rates if this proposal is approved.

Speaker 3



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Agenda Item No: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: Proposal proposal from 218

Needs but asking for much on  
 In Favor       Oppose each year increase

Matters NOT Listed on the Agenda

Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name: Martha Rinaldi Address: 1821 W Street, Sacramento

Organization/Business Name: NA

Council District No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Not a City Resident

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Agenda Item No: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: Dept. of Utilities

In Favor

Oppose

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Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name: MAE L. WORTHY Address: 3727 2nd AVE

Organization/Business Name: BUSINESS

Council District No.: 5

Not a City Resident

Phone: (916) 451-7275

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Agenda Item No: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: 3 Year 3090

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In Favor       Oppose

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Subject: Home on

High Rise

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Organization/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Council District No.: \_\_\_\_\_

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Agenda Item No: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: THREE YEAR  
RAISE OF UTILITIES

In Favor

Oppose

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Name: DON DUNIVAN

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Organization/Business Name: NONE

SACRAMENTO, 95820

Council District No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Not a City Resident

Phone: (916) 451-5406

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Agenda Item No: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: PROP 118 DATE HEARING

In Favor

Oppose

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Name: VICKI DAVIS

Address: 1101 2ND AVE

Organization/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Council District No.: 5

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Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Oppose

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Subject: Wafa Kate

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Organization/Business Name: Community Housing Opportunities Corporation

Council District No.: 1 (CHOC)  Not a City Resident

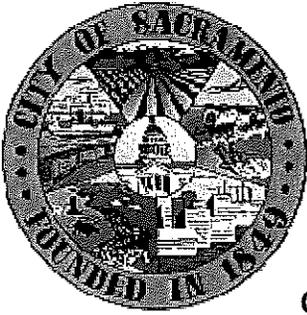
Phone: (530) 757-4444 Ex 105 Email: ktturner@chahousing.org

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Agenda Item No: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: Utilities Rate  
INcrease

In Favor

Oppose

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Name: Valerie Marlow-Bailey Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Council District No.: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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Agenda Item No: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject: THREE YEAR WATER

\* WASTEWATER UTILITY SERVICE  
RATE ADJUSTING PUBLIC HEARING

In Favor

Oppose

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Subject: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name: ALMA WATSON

Address: POB 340548 SAC  
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Organization/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: (916) 646-1921

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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