

Legislation Text

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Resolution establishing sewer service rates for Fiscal Years 2017-18 through 2021-22, amending the master fee schedule to include the sewer service rates, adopting the Report of Annual Sewer Rental and Charges for Fiscal Year 2017-18, and establishing maximum not to exceed rates for Fiscal Years 2018-19 through 2021-22

WHEREAS, by Chapter 14.12 of the South San Francisco Municipal Code, the City Council is authorized to establish sewer rates by resolution; and

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2017, the City Council reviewed the implementation of the five-year rate adjustments of a 13 percent increase for residential and commercial properties in Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-18; an increase not to exceed 10 percent in FY 2018-19; an increase not exceed two percent in FY 2019-20; an increase not to exceed two percent in FY 2020-21; and an increase not exceed two percent in FY 2021-22; and

WHEREAS, the rates described above were calculated by staff and reviewed by Bartle Wells Associates in order to distribute costs fairly to all customer classes based on their proportionate share of the Sewer Fund's fixed and variable costs; and

WHEREAS, in April 28, 2017, in accordance with the requirements of Proposition 218, the City notified the owners of property within South San Francisco of the proposed rate adjustment, and notice of the proposed adjustment and the public hearing was published in a newspaper of general circulation; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2017, City staff held an informational meeting with the public to discuss the plant's capital improvement needs, state regulatory changes, the proposed rate increase and the structure of the rate changes; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has given notice and on June 28, 2017, held a public hearing as required by law on the proposed sewer rates; and

WHEREAS, after a properly noticed public hearing on June 28, 2017, at which there was not a majority protest, the City Council approved the sewer rate increase to finance improvements to the City's sewer collection, pumping and treatment facilities; and

WHEREAS, the rates reflected in the report of Annual Sewer Rentals and Charges are consistent with the fiveyear financing plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of South San Francisco hereby approves the schedule of rates set forth in the attached Exhibit A which implements the previously approved financing plan, and hereby amends the City's master fee schedule of sewer rates, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council hereby adopts the Report of Annual Sewer Rentals and

Charges for Fiscal Year 2017-18 attached as Exhibit B, and directs that the rates so established shall be collected on the official tax assessment roll, together with real property taxes, and that the amount shall constitute liens upon the properties which shall be effective at the same time and to the same extent as is provided for by the law in the case of real property taxes, with like penalties for delinquencies.

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