

**Memorandum
Public Works Department**



To: City Manager
Subject: Water Rate Increases
Date: December 1, 2015
Number: 2015-340

The new water filter building is in the early design stages. Construction is expected to begin in late 2016 or early 2017. As discussed earlier, rate increases will be needed to cover the cost of the construction. Attachments 1 through 6 detail the proposed increases from the current rates through 2020. The proposed increases are:

- 2016: Increase the water service charge for a 5/8" meter (the standard residential meter) from \$23.20 per quarter to \$30.00 per quarter. Larger meters will increase proportionally based on meter size.
- 2017: 5% Water Rate Increase
- 2018: 5% Water Rate Increase
- 2019: 5% Water Rate Increase
- 2020: 4% Water Rate Increase

Special Fees and Discounts: Elderly/Handicapped Users Discount, the Disconnect Charge, and the Door Hanger Charge will remain the same. The Special Reading Charge will increase from \$12.41 to \$12.50 in 2016.

RECOMMENDATION

The Public Works Department recommends that the City Council approve the water rate increases and authorize the City Attorney to draft the appropriate ordinance changes.

Submitted by: Randall D. Tweet, Public Works Director

Approved by: Thomas Thomas, City Manager

