

Goleta Sanitary District

"Protecting Public Health and the Environment"

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED CONSUMER PRICE INDEX INCREASES FOR SEWER SERVICE CHARGES

The Goleta Sanitary District provides sewage collection, treatment and disposal services to properties located within its service area, which extends from the City of Santa Barbara to the Municipal Airport. To cover the cost of these services, the District maintains a system of fees and charges.

CURRENT CHARGES

The District's service charges are based on a mathematical model designed to generate sufficient revenue to cover the District's operations, maintenance, and depreciation costs in accordance with State guidelines and regulatory permit requirements. These charges are allocated to various user classifications based on the wastewater strength (loading) and flow rate (volume) associated with each classification. The current service charge is **\$41.38** per month (\$496.56 annually) for a single-family residence or an equivalent residential unit. The current charges do not provide for adjustments to keep pace with inflation.



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PROPOSED RATE INCREASES

In order to cover anticipated future cost increases attributable to inflation and other factors, the District is proposing to approve annual adjustments to the services charges, for a two (2) year period, based on changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The first adjustment would be based on the average of the monthly twelve (12)-month average change for the period of April 2017 through March 2018 in the CPI published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, for All Urban Consumers, All Items, for the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim area, 1982-1984 = 100. The District has calculated that CPI change to be 3.10%, which would result in an adjusted service charge of **\$42.66** per month (\$511.95 annually) for a single-family residence or an equivalent residential unit. The same percentage change would also be applied to all other user classifications. A detailed schedule of the proposed charges based on the 3.10% CPI increase is found on the back of this notice. The same methodology would be used to calculate revised service charges on July 1, 2019 based on the change in the CPI for the period of April 2018 through March 2019. These adjustments will allow the District to keep pace with inflation and will help avoid periodic large increases in service charges. As required by law, once the CPI data is available, notice of the adjusted service charge that will go into effect on July 1, 2019 will be sent to all customers at least 30 days in advance.

EFFECTIVE DATES

A Public Hearing on this issue will be held July 16, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the District board room. If approved by the District's Governing Board, the new service charges will take effect August 1, 2018. The charges will continue to be collected with the property tax bills for most parcels, and will first appear on the tax bills payable in November of 2018. The second adjustment will take effect on July 1, 2019 and will first appear on the tax bills payable in November of 2019.

Proposed Sewer Rates By Customer Category

CAT	Description	Proposed Annual Rate	
1	Single Family Residences	\$ 511.95	per unit
2	Multiple Family Residences	\$ 414.78	per unit
3	Mobile Homes and House Trailers	\$ 414.78	per unit
4	Motels/Hotels	\$ 294.75	per room
5	Commercial Establishments, Grocery, Theaters	\$ 414.78	per establishment
6	Markets	\$ 932.61	for up 74,095 gallons of water used, plus volume charge *
7	Banks	\$ 465.32	per establishment
8	Offices	\$ 87.54	per equivalent office unit
9	Doctors and Dental Offices	\$ 511.95	for up 74,095 gallons of water used, plus volume charge *
10	Bars, Cocktail Lounges, Taverns	\$ 81.96	per seat
11	Restaurants, food service facilities	\$ 967.20	for up 74,095 gallons of water used, plus volume charge *
12	Restaurants (Takeout/Drive-ins)	\$ 967.20	for up 74,095 gallons of water used, plus volume charge *
13	Beauty, Barber shops	\$ 414.78	per establishment
14	Laundromats / Cleaners	\$ 452.08	for up 74,095 gallons of water used, plus volume charge *
15	Automobile Service Stations	\$ 524.95	per establishment
16	Car Wash	\$ 404.97	for up 74,095 gallons of water used, plus volume charge *
17	Factories, Industrial Plants, Water Bottling and Water Treatment Facilities	\$ 434.88	for up 74,095 gallons of water used, plus volume charge *
18	Mortuaries	\$ 2,574.00	per establishment
19	Hospitals	\$ 488.38	for up 74,095 gallons of water used, plus volume charge *
20	Churches	\$ 511.95	for up 74,095 gallons of water used, plus volume charge *
21	Schools (Nursery, elementary, secondary)	\$ 26.01	per average daily attendance
22	Boys & Girls Clubs	\$ 13.00	per average daily attendance
23	Animal Shelters, Kennels, Veterinary Clinics & Hospitals	\$ 511.95	for up 74,095 gallons of water used, plus volume charge *
24	Machine Shop, Auto Repair	\$ 465.32	per establishment
25	Photo Processing Plant	\$ 930.64	per establishment
26	Auditoriums, Dance Halls and Recreation Rooms	\$ 434.88	for up 74,095 gallons of water used, plus volume charge *
27	Private Clubs with Recreational Facilities	\$ 511.95	for up 74,095 gallons of water used, plus volume charge *
28	Automobile Service Stations with trailer dump facilities	\$ 1,716.74	per establishment

* Volume Charge is calculated by multiplying the annual unit rate by the actual number of gallons used in excess of 74,095 gallons divided by 74,095 gallons. The Volume Charge payable in each such case shall be based on the preceding fiscal year's water consumption.

TO PROTEST THE PROPOSED CHANGES. Protests against the proposed sewer service charge increases must be submitted in writing must identify the parcel or parcels for which the protest is entered, and must be signed by an owner or a tenant of the parcel(s). Protests must be submitted to the District before the end of the public hearing to be held on July 16, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the District Board Room at One William Moffett Place, Goleta, CA 93117. If written protests against the proposed increases are presented with respect to a majority of parcels affected, the District will not approve the increases. One written protest per parcel, filed by an owner or tenant of the parcel, will be counted in calculating a majority protest to the proposed service charge increases.

QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions, or if you wish to review the model or data that are used to calculate the District's service charges, please contact District staff. Staff can also help you determine your current service charge and the new service charge that will apply to your property if the proposed increases are approved by the District's Governing Board.

Business Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
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Thank you,
 The Governing Board of the Goleta Sanitary District

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