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Item: **33.** AS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DAVENPORT COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT, SCHEDULED a public hearing on April 26, 2005, at **9:00**a.m. or thereafter to consider adoption in concept of ordinances amending District Code for 2005/2006 fees for water service and sewer service; directed Public Works to mail the notice of public hearing; and approved related actions, as recommended by the District Engineer

County of Santa Cruz

DAVENPORT COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT

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THOMAS L. BOLICH
DISTRICT ENGINEER

APPROVED AND FILED
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DATE: March 8, 2005
COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ
SUSAN A. MAURIELLO
EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE BOARD
BY Sharon Mitchell DEPUTY

AGENDA: MARCH 8,2005

February 28,2005

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
DAVENPORT COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT
701 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, California 95060

SUBJECT: DAVENPORT COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT
2005/2006 WATER AND SEWER SERVICE FEES

Members of the Board:

The proposed fees for sewer and water services for the Davenport County Sanitation District are presented below and result in an overall increase of 15 percent for the 2005/2006 water service fees and an average increase of 15 percent for the 2005/2006 sewer service fees. These fee increases are necessary to meet projected operation, maintenance and capital requirements of the water and sewer systems for the town of Davenport. Water and sewer service fees are being increased to account for the approximately $15,000 in property tax revenue transferred, due to Assembly Bill 2115, from enterprise funds to the schools. In addition, fees are being increased to facilitate upgrades to the water treatment system in order to meet minimum state standards and pay for emergency water hauling during the interim. The fee structures for both water and sewer are in proportion with the cost of service for each customer classification.

Pursuant to the existing agreements, RMC Pacific Materials will also experience a similar increase in their matching (50 percent) contribution to the Operations and Maintenance costs of the District for both water and sewer and up to $25,000 of capital improvement costs for the water system.

Attached for your Board's review is a notice of public hearing for the proposed 2005/2006 water and sewer fees. Notices will be sent to each customer upon your Board's approval. In addition, we expect to meet with the Davenport residents sometime in late March to discuss these proposed fee changes as well as the proposed water system improvements.

The proposed fees for water and sewer service for 2005/2006 are as follows:

Water Customers	Existing Fees 2004/2005	Proposed Fees 2005/2006
Residential	$623.63/year	$ 713.34/year
Commercial	$195.19/year plus $3.57/HCF*	$ 213.32/year plus $4.17/HCF
School	$ 195.19/year plus $3.57/HCF	$ 213.32/year plus $4.17/HCF
Sewer Customers		
Residential	$834.78/year	$962.36/year
Commercial	$ 6.53/HCF (plus base rate of $301.77/year)	$ 7.58/HCF (plus base rate of $343.62/year)
School	$17.44 ADA** (plus base rate of $301.77/year)	$ 20.25ADA (plus base rate of $343.62/year)

* Hundred Cubic Feet of Water

**Average Daily Attendance

In order to implement these fees, it is necessary to adopt ordinances amending District Code for water and sewer fees. In order to adopt these ordinances in concept, it is necessary to first hold a public hearing.

It is therefore recommended that the Board of Directors take the following action:

1. Set a public hearing for April 26,2005, at 9:00 a.m. or thereafter to consider adoption of ordinances amending District Code Title 3, Article III, Section 3.08.160 through 3.08.180, for water service fees and District Code Title 4, Article III, Section 4.08.160 through 4.08.180, for fees for sewer service.

2. Direct staff to mail the attached Notice of Public Hearing.

3. Direct the Clerk of the Board to publish the attached Notice of Public Hearing once a week for two weeks prior to the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation.

Yours truly,

THOMAS L. BOLICH
District Engineer

TLB:RLLH:mg

Attachments

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:

County Administrative Officer

copy to: RMC Pacific Materials
Home Builders Association
Public Works Department

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF NEW FEES

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Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, acting as the Board of Directors of the Davenport County Sanitation District, at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 26,2005, at 9:00 a.m. or thereafter, in the Board Chambers, 701 Ocean Street, Santa Cruz, California, will consider adoption of ordinances establishing the following changes to the District's fees for water and sewer service that would be effective as of July 1,2005:

	Existing Fees 2004/2005	Proposed Fees 2005/2006
Water Customers		
Residential	$623.63/year	$ 713.34/year
Commercial	$195.19/year plus $3.57/HCF*	$ 213.32/year plus $4.17/HCF
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HCF - Hundred Cubic Feet of Water
ADA - Average Daily Attendance

These revised fees are for water and sanitary sewer service for the 2005/2006 fiscal year. For each fiscal year after 2005/2006, the property related charge *may* be increased by a percentage which does not exceed the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers, for the San Francisco-Oakland Metropolitan Area, as published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics (or in any price index which replaces that index in the future), for the prior calendar year. The property related charge will be increased only when necessary to meet approved expenses and would not increase automatically each year. If in any year the property related charge is not increased, or is increased by an amount less than the increase in the Consumer Price Index, the difference between the rate of the increase in the property related charge and rate of increase in the Consumer Price Index will remain available for use in future years to raise the property related charge as necessary to meet approved expenses. If you are unsure which user group(s) applies to your parcel, please call (831) 454-2790. A revenue study was formulated to calculate these fees and is available from the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or the Public Works Department Sanitation Engineering Section, 701 Ocean Street, Room 410, Santa Cruz, CA 95060, upon request.

The County complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Questions regarding accommodation under the ADA should be directed to the Clerk of the Board at (831) 454-2323.

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