

# CITY OF BAKERSFIELD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED INCREASE TO DOMESTIC WATER RATES

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a public hearing, accepting testimony, will be held before the Bakersfield City Council at 5:15 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on **Wednesday, June 2, 2021** in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 1501 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California, for the purpose of considering increases to Domestic Water Rates. The new rates, if adopted, will go into effect on July 1, 2021. In compliance with Proposition 218, affected property owners within the City of Bakersfield's Domestic Water Service area are hereby informed of the proposed increase to Domestic Water Rates.

## **Background**

Pursuant to Chapters 14.04, 14.06 and 14.08 of Title 14 of the Bakersfield Municipal Code, the City of Bakersfield Domestic Water System provides residents and customers a firm, reliable, high quality water supply in quantities and under sufficient pressure to meet customer demands. Charges for water service are paid directly by property owners and/or occupants through bills rendered monthly. In compliance with Proposition 218, property owners and/or customers of the City of Bakersfield Domestic Water System are hereby informed of a proposed increase in the Domestic Water Rates. Your water service is included in this action and is identified in the accompanying bill enclosed in this mailing.

**All rates reflect a proposed 4% increase.** The proposed increase will help meet the costs of operation and maintenance, meeting water quality standards, and funding for capital costs. A table of proposed changes is on the second page of this document.

### **Questions And Public Comment**

If you have questions regarding this notice or how it may affect your property, call (661) 326-3715 Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or email staff at water@bakersfieldcity.us. Supporting documentation is available for review at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 1600 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California 93301.

PUBLIC COMMENT will be accepted in writing on or before the hearing date indicated above at the City Clerk's Office. Any interested person, including property owners, may appear and be heard to protest against the increase to the Domestic Water Rates. Protests to the proposed increases must be delivered in **writing** to the City Clerk, City of Bakersfield, 1600 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California 93301, prior to the conclusion of the public hearing on June 2, 2021.

All written protests must 1) identify the assessor's parcel number, 2) identify the address of the parcel, and 3) include the name and signature of the property owner submitting the protest. If written protests are received from a majority of owners of the affected parcels, the proposed rate increases will not be approved.

# **Proposed Changes**

10"

Proposed Changes										
SCHEDULE OF RATES										
Proposed Rates (July 1, 2021)										
y Fairhaven &										
Unincorporated Areas										
Quantity Rates:										
.13 \$ 1.23										
Monthly Readiness-To-Serve Charge:										
9 2 \$ 13.36										
.17 \$ 20.36										
.73 \$ 31.06										
.73 \$ 42.30										
.73 \$ 78.15										
.36 \$ 113.59										
.17 \$ 204.15										

415.94 \$

385.99 \$

432.58

#### **Monthly Private Fire Protection Service Charge:**

Service

\$

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1-1/2"	Connection	\$	10.82	\$ 1 2.1 3	\$ 11.25	\$ 12.62
2"	Connection	\$	14.43	\$ 16.17	\$ 15.01	\$ 16.82
3"	Connection	\$	21.65	\$ 24.25	\$ 22.52	\$ 25 .22
4"	Connection	\$	28.85	\$ 3 2.34	\$ 30.00	\$ 33.63
6"	Connection	\$	43 .27	\$ 48.49	\$ 45.0 0	\$ 50.43
8"	Connection	\$	57.70	\$ 64.66	\$ 60.01	\$ 67.25
10"	Connection	\$	72.12	\$ 80 .83	\$ 75.00	\$ 84.06
12"	Connection	\$	86.55	\$ 9 7 .00	\$ 90.01	\$ 100.88

JULIE DRIMAKIS, CMC

CITY CLERK and Ex Officio Clerk of the Council of the City of Bakersfield

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