



COBURG CITY COUNCIL ACTION/ISSUE ITEM

TOPIC: Utility Rate Increase

Meeting Date: April 11, 2023

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REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

- For Discussion Only. Receive Public Comment
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POLICIES OR CITY COUNCIL GOAL(S) ADDRESSED

2023-24 City Council Goals:

- Fiscal Stewardship
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BACKGROUND

At the March, 2023 City Council meeting the Council gave staff direction to move forward with recommended rate increases of \$6.36 in Water and \$1.73 in Sewer.

Additionally, direction was given to send a letter to the Community providing them information regarding the water project costs, the recommended rate increases, and information as to how they can provide comment and participate in the process.

Letters were mailed to all utility accounts in the week of March 13th. A copy of the final letter is attached to this report. This letter will also be included in the April utility bills. Additionally, information is being placed on social media, and at the post office in Coburg.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Council continue to take public comment, and continue to discuss the recommended increase for utility fees.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Public may provide comment at the April 11, 2023 meeting, and also participate in the Public Hearing on May 9, 2023.

NEXT STEPS

- Design of a resolution to set utility fees
 - Continue to notify and educate the public
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ATTACHMENTS

1. Letter sent to Utility Accounts
2. Written Comments from the Public Received