



City of Grass Valley City Council Agenda Action Sheet

Title: Approve a Resolution Adopting Guidelines for the Submission and Tabulation of Protests in Rate Hearings Conducted Pursuant to the California Constitution.

CEQA: Not a Project.

Recommendation: That Council review and approve Resolution 2023-21 adopting guidelines for the submission and tabulation of protests in Rate Hearings conducted pursuant to Article XIII D, Section 6 of the California Constitution.

Prepared by: Tim Kiser, City Manager

Council Meeting Date: May 23, 2023

Date Prepared: May 18, 2023

Agenda: Consent

Background Information: Every few years, the City evaluates the utility user rates (water and sewer). As part of that process to change the rates, the City has to comply with the California Constitution. Article XIII D, Section 6 of the California Constitution requires the City Council of the City of Grass Valley to consider written protests to certain proposed increases to utility charges. However, the constitution does not offer specific guidance as to how written protests are submitted, or how the City tabulates protests. Thus, the City Attorney's office drafted the attached resolution on how the City shall conduct protest hearings for utility charges in relation to Article XIII D, Section 6 of the California Constitution.

Attached for Council's consideration, review, and approval is Resolution 2023-21 defining guidelines for the submission and tabulation of protests in rate hearings.

Council Goals/Objectives: The execution of this action attempts to achieve Strategic Goal #5 - High Performance Government and Quality Service.

Fiscal Impact: No direct fiscal impact to the City.

Funds Available: N/A

Account #: N/A

Reviewed by: Tim Kiser, City Manager

Attachments: Resolution 2023-21