## **REPORT TO UC**



ITEM NAME:	Sewer Increase
MEETING DATE:	1/2/24
PRESENTING COMMITTEE:	UC
COMMITTEE CONTACT:	
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**ISSUE:** Rib Mountain Metro Sewerage District's 53% increase and was already talking about doing an 8% sewer increase before finding out about this increase.

**OBJECTIVES:** Determine what the sewer rate increase will be for 2024.

**ISSUE BACKGROUND/PREVIOUS ACTIONS:** Sewer has not had an increase in several years, the sewer is operating in the negative.

**PROPOSAL:** Have a sewer increase to operate in the positive and plan for the future updates and projects.

**ADVANTAGES:** Would be able to plan and prepare for future upgrades and projects without needing to take out debt.

**DISADVANTAGES:** We would not be able to planned upgrades and maintenance and would be reacting as things broke.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** 53% to 61% increase for 2024.

**ATTACHMENTS (describe briefly):** Shows the operating expenses for sewer compared to revenue. Will also show the projects that need to be done and how it affects the funds.