

Utility Board Meeting

EMS Rate Updates

Sept 10, 2024



Agenda

1. 2025 EMS Rate Update
 - Background
 - Primary Drivers
2. Staff Recommendation
3. Questions

EMS Rate History

❑ **Originated in 1996**

- ❑ Tied to the average budgeted salary and benefit costs of four Firefighters.
- ❑ Additional hires increased the capacity to handle simultaneous Emergency Medical Service calls during high-call demand.

❑ **The current rate structure was implemented during the 2011-2012 biennium**

- ❑ A flat rate structure with the same rate for each customer class.

EMS Rate Update

- **Primary Driver**

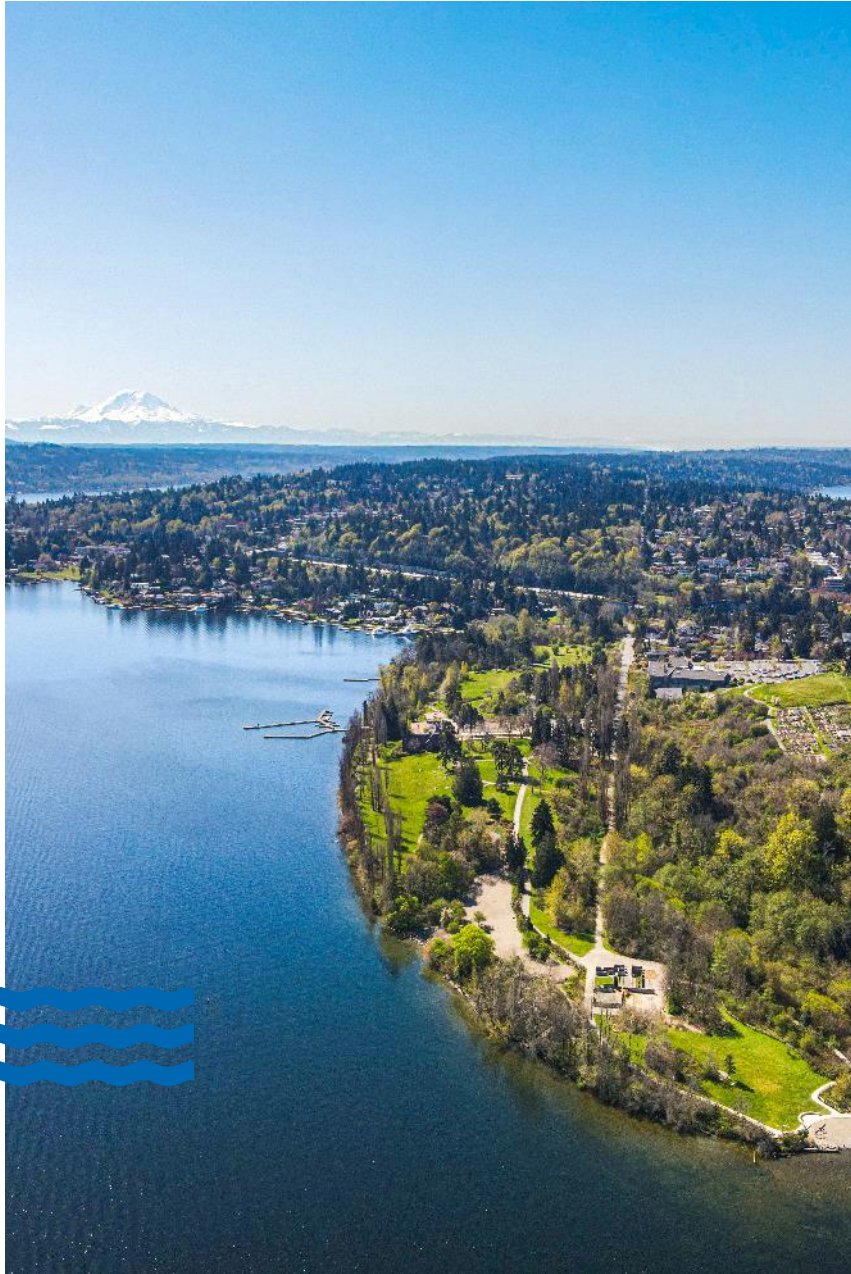
- Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA)

- CPI-W Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue first half measurement.

EMS Rate Recommendation

- Staff recommends an increase of 5.81 percent from 2024 rates.
 - Single-family bill impact: \$0.67 every other month in 2025

Customer Class	Bi-Monthly Charge		\$ Change	% Change
	2024	2025		
Single Family Residential	\$11.54	\$12.21	\$0.67	5.81%
Multi-Family Residential	\$11.54	\$12.21	\$0.67	5.81%



Questions

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