

**CITY OF ROHNERT PARK
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
on Water Service Rates**

Date of Public Hearing: Tuesday, August 12, 2008
Time: At or after 6:00 pm
Place: City Council Chambers, City Hall
 6750 Commerce Boulevard, Rohnert Park
Subject: Change in Water Service Rates

At the public hearing on August 12, 2008, the City Council will consider changes in water service rates. If adopted as proposed, rate changes for all customers would be effective October 1, 2008 for all customers due to increased water operation costs. The costs for purchasing water from the Sonoma County Water Agency have increased 10% over the last year. Additionally, increased costs for maintenance and repairs in the aging 50 year old infrastructure system are necessary and contribute to the operational costs. The rates are calculated based on customer demand and flow capacity for each meter size along with the actual costs to maintain and operate the water system in the City of Rohnert Park. The rates include a fixed service charge based on meter size and a flow charge based on a per gallon consumption.

Water Service Rate Increase to Be Effective October 1, 2008:

	Current flow Charges Effective 4/1/07	Percentage Increase	Flow Charge
Charges by Flow:	\$2.70 per 1,000 gallons	11%	\$0.003 per gallon (\$3.00 per 1, 000 gallons)
Charges by Meter Size:	Current Monthly Service Charge Effective 4/1/07	Percentage Increase	Monthly Service Charge
¾" to 1" (Single Family Residence)	\$ 16.50	11%	\$ 18.32
1 ½"	\$ 27.12	11%	\$ 30.10
2"	\$ 39.88	11%	\$ 44.27
3"	\$ 71.76	11%	\$ 79.65
4"	\$112.15	11%	\$124.49
6"	\$218.42	11%	\$242.45
8"	\$345.95	11%	\$384.00

A discounted rate of \$0.0027 per gallon (\$2.70 per 1,000 gallons) will be applied to single family residents and qualified multi-family units that use less than 10,000 gallons per month. In order to qualify for the discounted rate, multi-family complexes must sub-meter each unit, bill each unit based on consumption and have a separate meter for all irrigation.

On June 1st in each subsequent year, the water rates shall increase by the same percentage that the Sonoma County Water Agency charge has increased in the previous year.

All owners of property receiving City water service, all City water service customers, and interested persons are invited to attend the public hearing and be heard on the proposed increase in water service rates. Owners of property receiving City water services may protest the charges in writing, filed with the City Clerk before or during the public hearing. The protest must be signed by the property owner and must include the assessor's parcel number(s) or street address(es) of the property(ies). The mailing address is City Clerk, 6750 Commerce Blvd., Rohnert Park, CA 94928. Before the hearing, protests may be delivered to the City Clerk's office.

Copies of the changes are also available at the City Clerk's Office, 6750 Commerce Boulevard, Rohnert Park, CA 94928. For questions regarding water service rates, call (707) 585-6750.