

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-\_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEAUMONT,  
CALIFORNIA, APPROVING RATES FOR WASTEWATER SERVICE EFFECTIVE  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2023, AND RESCINDING ALL PRIOR ESTABLISHED  
WASTEWATER RATES**

**WHEREAS**, it is the responsibility of the City Council to establish wastewater rates which are sufficient to cover all costs of providing wastewater service, including, but not limited to, the costs of operating and maintaining the sewer system, debt service and a provision for a prudent and reasonable reserve, as well as funding for capital projects and asset replacement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Beaumont Municipal Code provides, among other things, that all future fees and charges for wastewater/sewer rates (“sewer rates”) shall be fixed by resolution of the City Council of the City of Beaumont; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 6, 2023, the City Council approved the contract for Professional Engineering Services with Raftelis, for the purposes of conducting a cost of service analysis and sewer rate study; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 10, 2023, City staff briefed the City Council on the financial needs of the wastewater system and preliminary necessary amendments to the sewer service rates as determined by the study prepared by Raftelis; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 30, 2023, City staff briefed the City Council on the final proposed rates based on scenario financial planning discussions in relation to the financial position of the wastewater fund pursuant to the sewer rate study prepared by Raftelis; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 6, 2023, the City Council approved to send out notices of rate increases to comply with Prop 218 requirements which were completed and mailed between June 28, 2023 and June 30, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the City hosted a Wastewater Treatment Plant Open-House and Tour for Beaumont residents to see firsthand where and how their wastewater is treated; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 12, 2023, the public hearing was published by publication in *The Press-Enterprise*, a newspaper of general circulation within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 15, 2023, the City Council conducted and concluded a duly noticed public hearing concerning the recommended sewer rate increases, at which time it considered all written and oral comments presented; and

**WHEREAS**, at the close of the public hearing, the City did not receive written protests in an amount of 50% + 1 for the affected parcels; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined to adopt the revised schedule of rates and charges set forth in Schedule “A” and based on the recommendations contained in the updated sewer rate study attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit “1”.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEAUMONT AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** All of the above recitals are true and correct.

**SECTION 2.** The City Council hereby approves the sewer rate increases for wastewater services as set forth in Schedule “A”, Schedule of Rates and Charges. The rates and charges set forth in Schedule “A” shall be effective commencing September 1, 2023.

**SECTION 3.** The City Council hereby finds and determines that such rates do not exceed the costs for providing wastewater/sewer services.

**SECTION 4.** This Resolution may be interpreted by the City Manager should there be a conflict regarding the rate applicable to a user.

**SECTION 5.** It is the intention of the City Council to review the rates and charges as determined and set out herein as part of the City’s Annual Budget for the next five fiscal years and all the City’s costs reasonably borne as established at that time, and, if warranted, to revise such rates and charges based thereon up to the level of rates and charges set forth in Schedule “A”, Schedule of Rates and Charges.

**SECTION 6.** If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution, or any part thereof is declared invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution or any part thereof. It is the intention of the City Council to have passed each section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 7.** All prior established wastewater/sewer rates are hereby rescinded.

**SECTION 8.** The City Council hereby finds that the provisions of this Resolution are exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) under Public Resources Code section 21080(b)(8) and the CEQA Guidelines section 15273(a), because the City Council’s action in increasing/amending wastewater service rates are for the purpose of (i) meeting operating expenses, (ii) purchasing or leasing supplies equipment or materials for the wastewater services; (iii) meeting financial reserve needs and requirements for the wastewater system, and (iv) obtaining funds for capital projects necessary to maintain wastewater service within existing service areas. The City Council finds that the provisions of this Resolution are further exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15060(c)(2) (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15060(c)(3) (the activity is not a “project” as defined in Section 15378) of the CEQA Guidelines, because it has no potential for resulting in a physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly.

**SECTION 9.** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect on and after September 1, 2023.

ADOPTED this 15th day of August 2023.

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Julio Martinez, Mayor of the City of  
Beaumont, California

ATTEST:

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Elaine Morgan, City Clerk of the City of  
Beaumont, California

CERTIFICATION

I, \_\_\_\_\_, City Clerk of the City of Beaumont, California, do hereby certify that foregoing Resolution No. 2023 - \_\_\_\_ was regularly introduced and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Beaumont, California, duly held the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, by the following vote:

- AYES:
- NOES:
- ABSENT:
- ABSTAINED:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of Beaumont, California, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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Elaine Morgan, City Clerk of the City of  
Beaumont, California

SCHEDULE A

Proposed Sewer Rates for FY 2022 – FY 2028

Line	Monthly Service Charge						
	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
	Customer Class	Current	FY 2024 Effective 9/1/23	FY 2025 Effective 7/1/24	FY 2026 Effective 7/1/25	FY 2027 Effective 7/1/26	FY 2028 Effective 7/1/27
1	<b>Residential</b>						
2	Single Family	\$47.21	\$50.22	\$52.73	\$54.31	\$55.40	\$56.51
3	MF & MH-Rural (\$/unit)	\$29.24	\$28.55	\$29.98	\$30.88	\$31.50	\$32.13
4							
5	<b>Schools (\$/student)</b>	\$1.07	\$1.10	\$1.15	\$1.19	\$1.21	\$1.23
6							
7	<b>Commercial Customers</b>						
8	Commercial - Low Strength	\$25.77	\$6.14	\$6.45	\$6.64	\$6.77	\$6.91
9	Commercial - Medium Strength	\$47.21	\$6.14	\$6.45	\$6.64	\$6.77	\$6.91
10	Commercial - High Strength	\$151.07	\$6.14	\$6.45	\$6.64	\$6.77	\$6.91
11							
12	<b>Industrial Customers</b>						
13	Dura Plastics Products	N/A	\$553.02	\$580.67	\$598.09	\$610.05	\$622.26
14	Perricone Juice	N/A	\$553.02	\$580.67	\$598.09	\$610.05	\$622.26
15	Rudolph Food Company	\$169.27	\$553.02	\$580.67	\$598.09	\$610.05	\$622.26
16	CJ Foods #1	N/A	\$553.02	\$580.67	\$598.09	\$610.05	\$622.26
17	CJ Foods #2	N/A	\$553.02	\$580.67	\$598.09	\$610.05	\$622.26
18	Precision Stamping	\$148.24	\$553.02	\$580.67	\$598.09	\$610.05	\$622.26
19							
20	<b>Proposed Commodity Rates (\$/CCF)</b>						
21	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
22	Customer Class	Current	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
23			Effective 9/1/23	Effective 7/1/24	Effective 7/1/25	Effective 7/1/26	Effective 7/1/27
24	<b>Residential</b>						
25	Single Family	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
26	MF & MH-Rural (\$/unit)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
27							
28	<b>Schools (\$/student)</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
29							
30	<b>Commercial Customers</b>						
31	Commercial - Low Strength	\$2.77	\$4.91	\$5.16	\$5.31	\$5.42	\$5.53
32	Commercial - Medium Strength	\$3.75	\$5.91	\$6.20	\$6.39	\$6.52	\$6.65
33	Commercial - High Strength	\$7.31	\$9.88	\$10.38	\$10.69	\$10.90	\$11.12
34							
35	<b>Industrial Customers</b>						
36	Dura Plastics Products	\$3.84	\$5.13	\$5.38	\$5.54	\$5.65	\$5.77
37	Perricone Juice	\$2.94	\$10.87	\$11.42	\$11.76	\$11.99	\$12.23
38	Rudolph Food Company	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
39	CJ Foods #1	\$11.07	\$13.37	\$14.04	\$14.46	\$14.75	\$15.04
40	CJ Foods #2	\$5.71	\$8.20	\$8.61	\$8.87	\$9.04	\$9.22
41	Precision Stamping	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

EXHIBIT 1

**SEWER RATE STUDY**