

Item 351
SUBITEM-B
3/4/2025

(R-2025-414)

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 316089

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE MAR 13 2025

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING WATER RATE INCREASES TO PASS THROUGH INCREASES IN THE WHOLESALE COSTS OF WATER CHARGED BY THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY.

RECITALS

The Council of the City of San Diego (Council) adopts this Resolution based on the following:

- A. The Public Utilities Department (Department) provides water for City of San Diego (City) customers through the Water Utility Fund.
- B. By Resolution R-315129 (Sept. 25, 2023), the Council approved rate increases based on a cost of service study and passing-through San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA) rate increases that went into effect December 1, 2023, July 1, 2024, and January 1, 2025. These rates assumed a maximum SDCWA rate increase of 7.2 percent effective January 1, 2025.
- C. On July 25, 2024, SDCWA passed SDCWA Ordinance Number 2024-05 increasing the fixed and volume rates charged to each member agency by 14 percent, which increased the City's costs effective January 1, 2025.
- D. The Department proposes to increase fixed and commodity water rates for all customers up to a maximum of 5.5 percent to pass through these costs consistent with the SDCWA increase and based upon information provided in the staff materials accompanying this Resolution.

E. Under Article XIID, section 6 of the California Constitution (Proposition 218), the City noticed a public hearing for March 4, 2025, and mailed notice of the proposed water rate increases described above [Proposition 218 Notice].

F. The Proposition 218 Notice was mailed at least 45 days prior to the March 4, 2025, public hearing on the proposed water rate increases. The City did not receive written protests from a majority of affected property owners or tenants by the close of the public hearing conducted in accordance with Proposition 218 and the procedures previously adopted by the Council in Resolution R-302245 (Jan. 17, 2007).

G. The Office of the City Attorney prepared this Resolution based on the information provided by City staff (including information provided by affected third parties and verified by City staff), with the understanding that this information is complete and accurate.

ACTION ITEMS

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of San Diego:

1. The Council approves, pursuant to Proposition 218, a water rate increase not to exceed 5.5 percent effective May 1, 2025, to pass through the costs incurred as a result of the SDCWA wholesale rate increase that was effective January 1, 2025.

2. The Mayor is authorized to take any actions necessary to implement the approved rate increase.


APPROVED: HEATHER FERBERT, City Attorney

By Melissa D. Ables
Melissa D. Ables
Senior Chief Deputy City Attorney

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February 18, 2025
Or.Dept: PUD
Doc. No. 3964488

I certify that the Council of the City of San Diego adopted this Resolution at a meeting held on
MAR 14 2025

DIANA J.S. FUENTES
City Clerk

By 
Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 3/12/25
(date)


TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Vetoed: _____
(date)

TODD GLORIA, Mayor

Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on MAR 04 2025, by the following vote:

Councilmembers	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused
Joe LaCava	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jennifer Campbell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stephen Whitburn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Henry L. Foster III	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marni von Wilpert	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kent Lee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Raul A. Campillo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vivian Moreno	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sean Elo-Rivera	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Date of final passage MAR 13 2025.

(Please note: When a resolution is approved by the Mayor, the date of final passage is the date the approved resolution was returned to the Office of the City Clerk.)

AUTHENTICATED BY:

TODD GLORIA
Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

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DIANA J.S. FUENTES
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

By Hinda Irwin, Deputy
For Gilbert Sanchez

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