Your Sewer Bill: Flushing Out the Facts

How your bill breaks down, where the money goes, and how it gets spent
# Deciphering Your Sewer Bill

## Account Billing Details

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### PREVIOUS BALANCE
- Previous Balance Last Statement
- Payments as of 02/16/2018
- **Total Balance Carried Forward** $0.00

### CURRENT SOLID WASTE CHARGES - FEBRUARY
- Solid Waste Fee (1 X Rate = $10.50)
- **Total Solid Waste Charges** $10.50

### Meter Information
- 5/8 inch meter - 091492074A
- Present Actual - 540
- Last Actual - 529
- 100 CF Used - 11
- (1 CF = 7.48052 Gal)

### CURRENT WASTEWATER CHARGES
- Usage Charge (Minimum Charge = 28.21 for the first 3 units)
- Usage Charge (Additional units in excess of minimum - 8 X Rate = $9.01)
- **Total CF Used - 11**
- **Total Wastewater Charges** $100.29
Last rate increase November 10, 2016

- Ordinance also includes a minimum billing (currently $28.21 per month) and a rate for customers with wells (currently $47.32 per month).
List of Sewer Bill Increases Over Last 30 Years

1/1/91: $1.20 per 100 cubic feet (CF)
    Average bill: $10
7/1/04: $1.51 per 100 CF
    Average bill: $12
1/1/05: $2.48 per 100 CF
    Average bill: $20
7/1/10: $3.35 per 100 CF
    Average bill: $27
1/1/12: $4.86 per 100 CF
    Average bill: $39
7/1/13: $5.59 per 100 CF
    Average bill: $45
7/1/14: $6.43 per 100 CF
    Average bill: $52
7/1/15: $7.40 per 100 CF
    Average bill: $60
6/1/16: $10.25 per month solid waste fee
    Average bill: $70
12/1/16: $8.51 per 100 CF
    Average bill: $79
7/1/17: $10.50 per month solid waste fee
    Average bill: $80
1/1/18: $9.01 per 100 CF
    Average bill: $84
7/1/18: $10.75 per month solid waste fee
    Average bill: $85
7/1/19: $11.00 per month solid waste fee
    Average bill: $85
What do wastewater revenues get spent on?

1. Operations
   a. Employees
   b. Equipment and supplies
   c. Contractual services

2. City Subsidy
   a. Administrative fees
   b. Payment In Lieu Of Taxes (PILOT)

3. Debt and Construction
   a. Debt payments for construction loans, including escrow and closing costs
   b. Construction of improvements with cash on hand
2008 Wastewater Utility Expenditures: $14.8 Million

Wastewater Utility Expense Categories
2008, in millions of dollars

- Construction: 34.5%
- Employees: 16.9%
- Supplies and Equipment: 7.4%
- Contractual Services: 23.0%
- Debt Payments: 13.5%
- Administrative fee: 4.7%
2017 Wastewater Utility Expenditures: $31.9 Million

![Wastewater Utility Expense Categories](chart.png)

- Employees: 15.0%
- Supplies and Equipment: 4.7%
- Contractual Services: 16.3%
- Administrative fee: 3.8%
- PILOT: 12.5%
- Debt Payments: 47.6%
Questions?