



## CITY OF MILPITAS

### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED RATE INCREASES TO WATER, RECYCLED WATER, AND WASTEWATER SERVICES CHARGES**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Milpitas City Council, in accordance with Proposition 218, will hold a public hearing in the City Council Chamber at City Hall, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd, Milpitas and via teleconference/Zoom webinar on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, starting at or soon after 7:00 p.m. on the following:

**PROPOSED RATE INCREASES TO WATER, RECYCLED WATER, AND WASTEWATER SERVICES CHARGES:** The City Council will conduct a public hearing to receive written protests to the proposed rate increases to the water, recycled water, and wastewater service charges. The City is proposing to increase rates for its water and wastewater service charges based on its most recent rate models and cost of service studies conducted by an independent rate consultant. The proposed increases to the rates would occur annually over a five-year period. Charges for a typical single-family water and wastewater customer would increase annually by approximately 6.4% and 4% respectively on July 1, 2023, through and including July 1, 2027.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN**, pursuant to CA Government Code §65009, that any legal challenge of this matter in court may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at or prior to this hearing.

**INTERESTED PERSONS MAY** provide public comments during the public hearing in person or virtually through the Zoom webinar. Those wishing to participate virtually are asked to register in advance using the link that will be located on the agenda. Additional procedures will be detailed in the published meeting agenda; and any updated information will be posted to the City's website at [www.milpitas.gov](http://www.milpitas.gov). Written comments may be submitted prior to the public hearing by emailing the City Clerk at [cityclerk@milpitas.gov](mailto:cityclerk@milpitas.gov). Please be advised that written comments will not be read during the meeting. Written comments will be digitally distributed to the City Council if received on the public hearing date by 5:00 p.m. and will be part of the meeting's public record.

**UNDER PROPOSITION 218**, property owners or tenants responsible for payment of water and sewer rates may submit a written protest to the proposed rate changes. Protests submitted by e-mail or facsimile, as well as oral protests, will not be counted towards a "majority protest." Only one protest per parcel is permitted and all written protests will be verified. Written protests may be mailed to the City of Milpitas, Attention: City Clerk, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas, CA, 95035. To be counted, a protest must be in writing and must include the Assessor's Parcel Number(s) or street address(es) of the parcels for which protests are submitted along with an original signature prior to the close of the public hearing on Tuesday, March 21, 2023.

For more information regarding the proposed water and wastewater rate increases, please visit [www.milpitas.gov/watersewer2023](http://www.milpitas.gov/watersewer2023).

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City Clerk  
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