

# Notice of Proposed Water, Sewer and Stormwater Rate Adjustments to Salt Lake City Residents

Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities is proposing water and sewer rate increases this year and for the next five years. A stormwater rate increase is also proposed this year.

## At a Glance:

- We are proposing rate increases for the 2018-2019 budget for drinking water, wastewater and stormwater utilities.
- Key sections of our drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater systems require upgrades and replacement.
- Our aging wastewater treatment facility is undergoing a full replacement to keep pace with new environmental regulations.
- Rates are based on use, and will vary depending on customer type (residential, commercial, industrial).

We invite and encourage you to attend City Council public hearings on the proposed FY18-19 budget, which includes the Public Utilities budget May 15, 7 p.m. or June 5, 7 p.m., 451 South State Street, Room 315, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114.

Email us at [slcpu@slcgov.com](mailto:slcpu@slcgov.com), visit [www.slcgov.com/utilities](http://www.slcgov.com/utilities), or call customer service at **801-483-6900** to comment or for more information.

# NOTICE OF PROPOSED WATER, WASTEWATER (SEWER) AND STORMWATER RATE ADJUSTMENTS FOR SALT LAKE CITY RESIDENTS

## What are the proposed rate adjustments?

Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities is proposing rate adjustments along with its 2018-2019 budget for water, sewer and stormwater utility

service. The increases are needed to support critical updates to our infrastructure, including capital improvement projects over the next several years.

## Our proposed rate structure, which must have Salt Lake City Council approval, follows:

### WATER:

Rate increase of 4% per month.  
Average household would pay \$1.79 more per month.

### SEWER:

Rate increase of 15%.  
Average household would pay \$3.18 more per month.

### STORMWATER:

Rate increase of 10%.  
Average household (less than ¼ acre) would pay 45 cents more per month.

## Why are rates increasing?

Public Utilities protects water resources, treats and delivers drinking water, receives and treats wastewater and provides flood control. We value the trust you have placed in us to provide these services. Proposed rate increases allow stewardship of water infrastructure to protect public health, the environment, and support economic growth, including:

- Improvements to aging sewer and water pipelines.
- Building a new wastewater treatment plant, with anticipated completion in 2024. The current 50-year-old plant will be replaced by a facility that meets new state and federal water quality regulations.
- Stormwater quality improvements and flood control and water quality.



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# Comparison of Monthly Base Rate for City Customers

Meter Size (inches)	Existing	Proposed Rate	Changes	
			\$	%
3/4	9.51	9.89	0.38	4%
1	9.51	9.89	0.38	4%
"1 1/2"	11.23	11.68	0.45	4%
2	12.19	12.68	0.49	4%
3	20.46	21.28	0.82	4%
4	21.9	22.78	0.88	4%
6	31.62	32.88	1.26	4%
8	56.84	59.11	2.27	4%
10	105.41	109.63	4.22	4%

# Comparison of Water Rates for City Residential Customers

Block	Current Rates	Proposed Rates	Changes
Winter Period (Nov - Mar)	Block 1 Rate for All Usage		
(Nov - Mar)			
Summer Rate Structure ( Apr - Oct)			
Block 1 1 - 10 ccf	\$1.30	\$1.35	\$0.05
			4%
Block 2 11 - 30 ccf	\$1.78	\$1.85	\$0.07
			4%
Block 3 31 - 70 ccf	\$2.47	\$2.57	\$0.10
			4%
Block 4 >70 ccf	\$2.63	\$2.74	\$0.11
			4%

# Sewer Rate Increase

## Monthly Impact on Selected Customers

Account Type	Annualized Average Winter Water Usage (CCF)	Current Rates	Proposed Rates	Changes %
Small Residential	4 ccf	\$ 10.60	\$ 12.19	\$1.59 15%
Average Residential	8 ccf	\$ 21.20	\$ 24.38	\$3.18 15%
Large Residential	15 ccf	\$ 39.75	\$ 45.71	\$5.96 15%
Industrial 2,4	2014 ccf	\$ 8,821	\$ 10,145	\$1,323 15%
Commercial 2,1	34 ccf	\$ 104.72	\$ 120.43	\$15.71 15%

*\*Industrial & Commercial charges are calculated based on flow rate, BOD and TSS*

# Stormwater Rate Increase

## Monthly Impact on Select Customers

Account Type	ERUs	Current Rates	Proposed Rates	Changes %
Average Residential	1 ERU	\$ 4.49	\$ 4.94	\$ 0.45 10%
Large Residential	2 ERU	\$ 8.98	\$ 9.88	\$ 0.90 10%
Industrial *	25 ERU	\$ 71.84	\$ 79.02	\$ 7.18 10%
Commercial	10 ERU	\$ 44.90	\$ 49.39	\$ 4.49 10%

\* *Industrial impact includes a 64% discount for detainage*