

CITY OF NEWTON
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
LEGAL NOTICE
FY10 WATER/SEWER RATES
PUBLIC HEARING
MONDAY, MAY 4, 2009
7:00 PM, ALDERMANIC CHAMBER
SECOND FLOOR, NEWTON CITY HALL

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#70-09(2) HIS HONOR THE MAYOR submitting recommended FY2010 Water and Sewer Rates for implementation. [04/14/09 @ 5:33 PM]

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Mayor

April 14, 2009

Honorable Board of Aldermen
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Ladies and Gentlemen

I write to recommend to your Honorable Board changes in the Revised Ordinances to implement new water and sewer rates effective July 1, 2008.

HCF Per Quarter	Water Rate per HCF		Sewer Rate per HCF	
	Old	New	Old	New
0 - 20	\$4.15	\$4.35	\$5.81	\$6.54
21 - 70	\$4.98	\$5.22	\$6.97	\$7.85
> 70	\$5.98	\$6.26	\$8.36	\$9.42

These rates represent an increase of 9.3% in revenue from FY09. Based upon city-wide estimated average residential water use of 95 HCF, homeowners' combined annual water and sewer bill will increase by \$91.20.

MWRA assessments are the largest segment of the water and sewer fund budgets. The combined MWRA and DEP assessments for FY10 are 63.3% of total Water and Sewer expenses.

The proposed FY10 water and sewer budgets include the first year of principal and debt service associated with the automated meter reading initiative. A Request for Proposals (RFP) for the two-year meter project is currently being advertised with a bid opening date scheduled for May 7th. Kick-off is scheduled for the summer.

Very truly yours,

David B. Cohen
Mayor

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FY 2010 Proposed Water & Sewer Rates						
<u>FY 2009 Water/Sewer Rate Revenue Estimate</u>						
HCF	Consumption	Water Rate	Sewer Rate	Water Revenue	Sewer Revenue	Total Est. Revenue
0 - 20	1,769,224	\$4.15	\$5.81	\$7,342,280	\$10,279,191	\$17,621,471
21 - 70	767,776	\$4.98	\$6.97	\$3,823,524	\$5,351,399	\$9,174,923
> 70	801,158	\$5.98	\$8.36	\$4,790,925	\$6,697,681	\$11,488,605
Totals	3,338,158			\$15,956,728	\$22,328,271	\$38,284,999
<u>FY 2010 Water/Sewer Revenue Needs</u>				Water	Sewer	Total
Mayor's Proposed Budget				16,711,625	25,826,573	42,538,197
Other Costs						
Admin Overhead From Water Fund				0	(683,111)	(683,111)
Total Revenue Needed				\$16,711,625	\$25,143,462	\$41,855,086
Percentage Increase (decrease) from FY 2009				4.7%	12.6%	9.3%
HCF	Consumption	Water Rate	Sewer Rate	Water Revenue	Sewer Revenue	Total Est. Revenue
0 - 20	1,769,224	\$4.35	\$6.54	\$7,696,124	\$11,570,725	\$19,266,849
21 - 70	767,776	\$5.22	\$7.85	\$4,007,791	\$6,027,042	\$10,034,832
> 70	801,158	\$6.26	\$9.42	\$5,015,249	\$7,546,908	\$12,562,157
Total	3,338,158			16,719,164	\$25,144,674	\$41,863,838
Surplus/(Deficit)				\$7,539	\$1,212	\$8,752
Increase (Decrease) from FY09 revenue						\$3,578,839
Percentage increase (decrease) from FY09 revenue						9.3%

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