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Open house offered on proposed utility rate increases

The City of Redding Public Works Department will host an open house from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, October 20, 2016, to provide information and hear comments on proposed Solid Waste, Wastewater, and Water rate updates.

City staff will be on hand to provide information on the operations, capital improvement programs, utility challenges, and financial plans of the City’s Solid Waste, Wastewater, and Water utilities. In addition, staff will be able to provide information and answer questions regarding the public hearing notice and protest ballot affected property owners and/or utility account holders received in the mail along with the related state constitution-mandated process the City complies with in considering a rate increase.

The proposed rate updates for the typical single-family residential customer are as follows:

Service	Existing Rate	Proposed Rate	Proposed Rate	Proposed Rate
		December 2016	July 2017	July 2018
Solid Waste – 96 gallon/month	\$23.12	\$24.04	\$24.52	\$25.01
Wastewater/month	\$48.77	\$50.72	\$52.75	\$54.86
Water Service/month	\$31.54	\$39.89	\$41.87	\$43.97
Total	\$103.43	\$114.65	\$119.14	\$123.84

The Redding City Council on September 20, 2016, approved allowing staff to send ballots regarding the updates to utility customers and hold a public hearing and consider the results on November 15, 2016. If approved, the revised rates will go into effect January 1, 2017. The rate increases would provide funding for resources needed to invest in the operation, maintenance, and rehabilitation of the utilities.

The open house will be held in the Community Room at Redding City Hall. For more information, please contact Brian Crane, Public Works Director, 225-4170.

