

**COUNCIL AGENDA MEMO**

MEETING DATE/TYPE: **VOTING MEETING** **10-23-18**

DEPARTMENT: **Finance**

AGENDA ITEM: Adoption of Notice of Intent to change water, wastewater, and solid waste rates and setting the public hearing on the rates.

Approved By: Michael Lamar, City Manager

Item Summary

This item is the Notice of Intent to increase water and wastewater rates, and sets the public hearing on the rates for January 22, 2019.

The legal requirements for the solid waste rate setting do not require Council approval and will be published on the City's website by November 21, 2018 as required. As shown below, other than the notice of intent, solid waste rates will follow the same schedule and public meetings as the water and wastewater rates.

Background

On August 28, 2018, Council received a presentation from Raftelis consultant regarding updating the water, wastewater, and solid waste rate study. As required by law, the next step in the process is to approve the publishing of the Notice of Intent and to set the Public Hearing. As observed on the process schedule below, Council will be presented with the findings of this study on November 27, 2018 at a Council workshop followed by two public workshops. The public hearing will be held on January 22, 2019 followed by a Council vote.

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Water, Wastewater, and Solid Waste Rate Setting Process

Date	Type	Description
October 23, 2018	Council Voting (3:00pm)	Adoption of notice of intent, and set public hearing date
November 27, 2018	Council Workshop (1:00pm)	Presentation of study results
November 27, 2018	Public Workshop (6:00pm)	Presentation of study results
December 4, 2018	Public Workshop (6:00pm)	Presentation of study results
January 22, 2019	Council Voting (3:00pm)	Public hearing on proposed rates Adoption of water, wastewater, and solid waste rate
March 1, 2019		New rates effective

Financial Impact

The revenue received from the increase in rates, rate components, fees and service charges will offset the costs of providing and maintaining the water, wastewater and solid waste operations.

Recommended Action: MOVE to approve Notice of Intention to increase water and wastewater rates, rate components, fees and services charges and set a Public Hearing on the proposed rate and fee increases for January 22, 2019.