RESOLUTION NO. 2024-71

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA, FIXING RATES AND FEES FOR SEWER SERVICE FURNISHED BY THE WHITTIER UTILITY AUTHORITY FOR CALENDAR YEARS 2025 THROUGH 2029

RECITALS

A. Proposition 218 requires the City Council to conduct a public hearing not less than forty-five (45) days after mailing a notice of proposed property-related rate increases to record property owners of each identified parcel upon which the fees will be imposed.

B. A duly noticed public hearing regarding the proposed increases to rates for water service was conducted on November 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

C. Proposition 218 requires that the City Council shall not impose the proposed rates if written protests against the proposed fee are presented by a majority of record owners (51%) of the identified parcels.

D. (9) written protests to the proposed rate increase were presented by the conclusion of said public hearing by affected property owners.

E. The Whittier Municipal Code authorizes the City Council, by means of written resolution, to fix and determine rates and charges for sewer service provided by the City to all of its users.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are a substantial part of this resolution.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby approves and fixes the rates and fees for any and all sewer service, which the Whittier Utility Authority has agreed to provide all its users thereof, shall be set forth in Exhibit A, attached hereto and by this reference is made a part hereof.

SECTION 3. Approve the annual sewer rates and fees adjustment.

SECTION 4. That this resolution supersedes all others, or portions thereof, inconsistent with the revisions set forth herein, including Resolution No. 2019-28.

SECTION 5. That the fees set forth in Exhibit A under Schedule 1 shall take effect January 1, 2025, the fees set forth in Exhibit A under Schedule 2 shall take effect January 1, 2026, the fees set forth in Exhibit A under Schedule 3 shall take effect

January 1, 2027, the fees set forth in Exhibit A under Schedule 4 shall take effect January 1, 2028, and the fees set forth in Exhibit A under Schedule 5 shall take effect January 1, 2029.

SECTION 6. On or after January 1st of each year, the volume of water consumed by each user shall be determined based upon water consumption for the immediately preceding calendar year.

SECTION 7. Users who commence such use or uses on or after July 1, 2025, shall be charged a sewer use fee based on similar uses in the City as estimated by the Director of Public Works; after the first twelve months of the existence of such uses, the Director of Public Works shall determine the amount of such sewer user fee based upon the unit rate and actual volume of water annually consumed by the user.

SECTION 8. Where the Director of Public Works is unable, for any reason, to obtain the annual water consumption figure for any user, he shall estimate such figure by using the unit rate and water consumption history.

SECTION 9. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption hereof.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of November 2024.

JOSEPH A. VINATIERI, Mayor

ATTEST:

RIGOBERTO GARCIA JR., City Clerk
(seal)

AYES:	5	Council Members:	Vinatieri, Warner, Martinez, Dutra, Pacheco
NOES:	0		
ABSTAIN:	0		
ABSENT:	0		

RIGOBERTO GARCIA JR., City Clerk
(seal)

EXHIBIT A

FEES FOR SEWER SERVICE
CALENDAR YEAR 2025 THROUGH CALENDAR YEAR 2029

Section (a) In accordance with Whittier Municipal Code Section 8.26.020, rates for sewer users shall be calculated by rate for each unit of water multiplied by the volume of water annually consumed in water units (ccf).

SCHEDULE OF SEWER RATES

Commodity Charge per billing unit (BU) of water (1 BU = 100ccf = 748 gallons)

Schedule	Schedule 1	Schedule 2	Schedule 3	Schedule 4	Schedule 5
Effective Dates	1/1/2025	1/1/2026	1/1/2027	1/1/2028	1/1/2029
Residential	$1.22	$1.26	$1.30	$1.34	$1.39
Multi-Residential	$1.22	$1.26	$1.30	$1.34	$1.39
Commercial	$1.22	$1.26	$1.30	$1.34	$1.39
Private Development	$1.22	$1.26	$1.30	$1.34	$1.39
Qualified Low Income	$0.68	$0.70	$0.72	$0.74	$0.77

Annual Max Usage (BU/ unit)

Schedule	Schedule 1	Schedule 2	Schedule 3	Schedule 4	Schedule 5
Effective Dates	1/1/2025	1/1/2026	1/1/2027	1/1/2028	1/1/2029
Residential	280	280	280	280	280
Multi-Residential	280	280	280	280	280
Commercial	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Private Development	280	280	280	280	280
Qualified Low Income	280	280	280	280	280

Annual Max Bill ($/Unit)

Schedule	Schedule 1	Schedule 2	Schedule 3	Schedule 4	Schedule 5
Effective Dates	1/1/2025	1/1/2026	1/1/2027	1/1/2028	1/1/2029
Residential	$352.85	$364.39	$375.94	$387.50	$401.87
Multi-Residential	$352.85	$364.39	$375.94	$387.50	$401.87
Commercial	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Private Development	$352.85	$364.39	$375.94	$387.50	$401.87
Qualified Low Income	$201.65	$207.59	$213.54	$219.50	$228.27

Customer Service Charge ($/Parcel)					
Schedule	Schedule 1	Schedule 2	Schedule 3	Schedule 4	Schedule 5
Effective Dates	1/1/2025	1/1/2026	1/1/2027	1/1/2028	1/1/2029
Residential	$11.25	$11.59	$11.94	$12.30	$12.67
Multi-Residential	$11.25	$11.59	$11.94	$12.30	$12.67
Commercial	$11.25	$11.59	$11.94	$12.30	$12.67
Private Development	$11.25	$11.59	$11.94	$12.30	$12.67
Qualified Low Income	$11.25	$11.59	$11.94	$12.30	$12.67