

**CITY OF BRISBANE
CITY COUNCIL
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that during the course of its hybrid meeting on **Thursday, April 6, 2023 commencing at 7:30 p.m. at Brisbane City Hall 50 Park Place Community Meeting Room, Brisbane, CA 94005**, the City Council of the City of Brisbane will hold a public hearing for all interested persons regarding the following:

Public Hearing for the Proposed Water and Sewer Rate Increases

It is being recommended to increase water and sewer rates over the next five years to cover the cost of providing clean drinking water and wastewater collection and treatment. Current Capital Projects and Drought Charges are not impacted by these proposed water and sewer rate changes.

The proposed water rate changes would in the first year increase the fixed charges based on meter size, from a range of \$22.67 to \$431.30 to a range of \$33.35 to \$448.19. After the first year, the fixed charges would increase annually 9% through 2026/2027. The proposal is to also reduce the number of water usage tiers for variable consumption charges from six tiers to two. Rates in the first year will range from \$6.30 to \$12.65 depending on water usage. Thereafter the rates will increase an additional 7% each year through 2027/2028. By way of example only, the water bill (sent out every two months) for a customer who uses 10 units of water (the average number of units for most households in Brisbane) would in the first-year increase from \$82.85 to \$90.05 (an increase from \$515.10 to \$540.30 annually).

The proposed sewer rate changes will reduce the fixed charge in the first year from a range of \$68.87 to \$183.27 to one rate of \$64.20 but there would be an increase of 25% each year thereafter through 2027/2028. The sewer rate changes are reducing the number of variable tiers to one tier and sewer rates will be based on customer strength, (for example residential or commercial), instead of usage. The rates will increase from a range of \$2.81 to \$7.66 to one rate at \$8.29 per unit and increase 25% each year thereafter through 2027/2028. Residential customers will continue to be charged based on winter water usage (average of October through February) while commercial customers will be charged for all consumption. The sewer bill for a residential customer who uses 10 units of water per billing cycle (every two months) would increase from \$106.67 to \$147.10 (an increase from \$640.02 to \$882.60 annually).

Water and sewer charges are property related and subject to Proposition 218, the Right to Vote on Taxes Act. Council will conduct a public hearing and consider any written protests to the increases. If there is a majority protest, Council may not impose the increases. If there is no majority protest, Council may determine the amount of the increases and when the increases will be implemented.

Written Protests:

Protests concerning the rate increase must be in writing and must be delivered in person or be sent by mail to the City of Brisbane City Clerk, 50 Park Place, Brisbane, CA 94005. All written protests must be received by the City before the close of the public hearing. No protests will be accepted if sent via email, text, fax or other electronic means.

Meeting Details:

This meeting will be held as a hybrid meeting. Members of the public may attend the meeting in person or remotely via the City's YouTube Channel, [youtube.com/brisbaneca](https://www.youtube.com/brisbaneca), or on Comcast Channel 27 or by joining the Zoom Webinar.

- zoom.us (please use the latest version: zoom.us/download)
- brisbaneca.org/cc-zoom
- Webinar ID: 991 9362 8666 Call In Number: 1 (669) 900 9128

The meeting agenda and staff report may be viewed on the City's website at brisbaneca.org/meetings at least 72 hours before the meeting. The materials may also be viewed at City Hall during open hours.

All interested persons will have the opportunity to give written and oral comments. If you challenge this matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised in a written protest or at the public hearing, described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk at, or prior to, the public hearing.

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA)ss.
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO)**

The undersigned, for and on behalf of the Brisbane City Clerk, caused a copy of this Public Hearing Notice, to be posted in the following places in the City of Brisbane:

- Brisbane City Hall Offices, 50 Park Place
- Brisbane Community Center/Library, 250 Visitacion Avenue
- Mission Blue Center, 475 Mission Blue Drive

Dated: March 27, 2023. Said posting was completed on March 27, 2023.

I declare under penalty of perjury the foregoing is true and correct.

Ingrid Padilla

Ingrid Padilla, City Clerk