

**PUBLIC NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING ON RESOLUTION 10537
TO ESTABLISH WATER, SEWER, AND STORM DRAIN
RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL UTILITY SERVICE RATES**

The City of Great Falls is proposing to raise residential and commercial water, sewer and storm drain utility service rates, effective June 1, 2024. The increases are necessary to provide adequate revenue to finance the capital improvements program, to meet debt service coverage requirements and to maintain appropriate reserves.

Typical Residential Customers

Residential customers with a lot size of 7,500 square feet and a 3/4 " meter who use 600 cubic feet of water per month and have a winter quarter average of 600 cubic feet per month to calculate their sewer rate would see rate increases as follows:

- A water bill would increase \$3.02 or 15%, from \$20.18 to \$23.20 per month;
- A sewer bill would increase \$2.62 or 10%, from \$26.29 to \$28.91 per month; and
- A storm drain bill would increase \$1.08 or 15%, from \$7.26 to \$8.34 per month.

The average monthly Residential utility bill would increase \$6.72 or 12.5%.

Typical Commercial Customers

Commercial customers with a lot size of 7,500 square feet with a 1" meter and consumption of 2,400 cubic feet of water and sewer per month would see rate increases as follows:

- A water bill would increase \$9.48 or 15%, from \$63.21 to \$72.69 per month;
- A sewer bill would increase \$8.38 or 10%, from \$83.84 to \$92.22 per month; and
- A storm drain bill would increase \$1.56 or 15%, from \$10.40 to \$11.96 per month.

The average monthly Commercial utility bill would increase \$19.42 or 12.5%.

Public Hearing

The public hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center Commission Chambers, 2 Park Drive S. Please mail any comments to City Clerk, City of Great Falls, PO Box 5021, Great Falls, MT 59403.

For further information, contact a City of Great Falls Utility Billing Clerk at (406) 727-7660 or Room 104 of the Civic Center, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.