

New and Increased Miscellaneous Fees and Charges

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What is a Miscellaneous Fee?

- Fees and charges to reimburse the Water Department for specific services
- Charged to the customers who receive the service – not spread to the entire ratepayer base



Miscellaneous Fee Calculations

- Fully burdened billable labor rate (from consultant study in 2013) and updated when there is a change to salaries
 - *Most recently updated in August 2018*
- Time and materials
- Data from asset management/work order system



New Fees Added

- Broken Lock
- Installation of New Water Meter - 10”)
- Cost Recovery for Collection Agency Fee on Past Due Invoices
- Water Audit Validation
- Low Strength Hauled Waste (per 1,000 gallons)



Fees Increased

- Charge for Damaged Valve Box Lock
- Lock Off Service – Pull and Plug Meter
- Water Service Taps
 - greater than 2” and less than 12”
 - 12”



Fee Decreased

- Installation of new $\frac{3}{4}$ " water meter



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Fees Eliminated or Moved

- Backflow Inspection Fee (eliminated)
- Water Efficiency Landscape Ordinance (WELO) Plan Review Fees (moved to PED)
- Hydraulic Model Assessment Tier Fees (eliminated)



Fees with Names Changed

- “Second Request to Stop Service” changed to “Second Request to Start/Stop Service”
- “Replace Broken Lock” changed to “Replace Broken Lock and Box”
- The name of the “Meter Install on existing, undamaged service where the same size meter previously existed and where the service has not been active for more than 6 years – all sizes” fee has been changed to “Meter Install on existing, undamaged service where the same size meter previously existed.”



Fees with Names Changed

(continued)

- “Hydraulic Model Assessment” changed to “Hydraulic Model Assessment – Outside Consultant”
- “5-Year General Wastehauler Permit Fee” changed to “5-Year General Wastehauler Permit Fee (per year)”
- “Annual High Strength Wastehauler Permit Fee” changed to “Annual High Strength or Low Strength Wastehauler Permit Fee”



A complete list of the Water Department and Water Billing Miscellaneous Fees and Charges, including the proposed changes, is included in the Resolution, for consolidation and easier reference.



The Budget Review Subcommittee reviewed this item on February 27, 2019 and recommended unanimous support for approval by the full Board at a future meeting.



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Schedule

Public Meeting – BPU 3/21/2019

Cost Data Available 3/6/2019

Publish in Newspaper 3/11/2019

Second Publish in Newspaper 3/16/2019

Fees Effective 5/20/2019



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It is recommended by the Santa Rosa Water Department that the Board of Public Utilities adopt a resolution revising the Santa Rosa Water Miscellaneous Fees and Charges Schedule, as proposed.

Questions?



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