

# ANNUAL STORM WATER ENTERPRISE CHARGES

Board of Public Utilities

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# History of the Storm Water Enterprise

- Created by City Council in 1996
- Long-term public funding source to:
  - Comply with storm water permit requirements
  - Reduce flooding, property damage, erosion, and storm water degradation
- Added Title 16 to the City Code, creating a storm water enterprise and utility as an agency of the City
- City Council authorized to prescribe and collect charges for the services and facilities of the enterprise

# Storm Water Assessment Fee Calculation

- Levied against each parcel of real property in the City
- Charged annually
- The calculated assessment based on the Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU), and considers parcel:
  - size
  - amount of impervious surface
  - land use
- Current ERU fee is \$42.46, which was approved by Council during the 2025/2026 budget process
- Charges shown on annual *Storm Water Enterprise Charge Report*

# Collection Process

- Charges collected on the Sonoma County Property Tax Roll on the City's behalf



DAVID E. SUNDSTROM

AUDITOR/CONTROLLER - TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR

585 FISCAL DR. ROOM 100, SANTA ROSA, CA 95403

**SECURED PROPERTY TAX BILL 2015-2016**  
FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015 - JUNE 30, 2016  
**COUNTY OF SONOMA TAX STATEMENT**  
**DAVID E. SUNDSTROM, CPA**

OFFICE HOURS  
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
MONDAY - FRIDAY  
(707) 565-2281

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| PROPERTY INFORMATION                                                              |                         |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | IMPORTANT MESSAGES                   |                             |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| ASSESSMENT #:                                                                     | TAX RATE AREA:          |                           | <b>SEE REVERSE FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION</b><br>Original bill date 09/15/2015<br><br>VIEW & PAY YOUR TAXES On-line: <a href="http://www.sonoma-county.org/tax">www.sonoma-county.org/tax</a><br>Or Call: (888) 636-8418 - Additional Fees Apply<br>Please see <a href="http://www.sonoma-county.org/auditor/citizens.htm">http://www.sonoma-county.org/auditor/citizens.htm</a> to see where your tax dollars go and how the county spends its share. |                                      |                             |
| FEE NUMBER                                                                        |                         |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                      |                             |
| LOCATION:                                                                         |                         |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                      |                             |
| LIEN DATE OWNER:                                                                  |                         |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                      |                             |
| <b>COUNTY VALUES AND EXEMPTIONS</b>                                               |                         |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                      |                             |
| PHONE NUMBERS                                                                     | VALUE DESCRIPTION       | ASSESSED VALUES           | X                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | TAX RATE/100                         | = COUNTY TAXES              |
| TAX COLLECTOR                                                                     | LAND                    | 163,000                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | TEMPORARY PROP 8 VALUE (See Reverse) |                             |
| PAYMENT INFO (707) 565-2281                                                       |                         |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                      |                             |
| 24 HOUR INFO (707) 565-3010                                                       | STRUCTURAL IMPROVEMENTS | 203,000                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                      |                             |
| CREDIT CARD 1-888-636-8418                                                        |                         |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                      |                             |
| ASSESSOR                                                                          |                         |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                      |                             |
| VALUATION (707) 565-1888                                                          | HOMEOWNERS EXEMPTION    | -7,000                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                      |                             |
| EXEMPTIONS (707) 565-1888                                                         |                         |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                      |                             |
| BUSINESS EQUIP (707) 565-1330                                                     |                         |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                      |                             |
| NET TAXABLE VALUE                                                                 |                         | 359,000                   | X                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 1.000000                             | = 3,590.00                  |
| <b>VOTER APPROVED TAXES, TAXING AGENCY DIRECT CHARGES AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS</b> |                         |                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                      |                             |
| PHONE NUMBERS                                                                     | TAX CODE                | DESCRIPTION               | ASSESSED VALUES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | X                                    | TAX RATE/100 = AGENCY TAXES |
| (707) 521-6207                                                                    | 06700                   | WS DAM-RUSSIAN RIVER PROJ | 359,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 0.007000                             | 25.12                       |
| (707) 542-0550                                                                    | 24500                   | WRIGHT ELEM 1992 BONDS    | 359,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 0.028500                             | 102.32                      |
| (707) 542-0550                                                                    | 24510                   | WRIGHT ELEM 2012 BOND #11 | 359,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 0.030000                             | 107.70                      |
| (707) 528-5381                                                                    | 36700                   | SANTA ROSA HIGH 1991 BOND | 359,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 0.028000                             | 100.52                      |
| (707) 528-5381                                                                    | 36702                   | SANTA ROSA HIGH 2002 BOND | 359,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 0.016500                             | 59.24                       |
| (707) 528-5381                                                                    | 36703                   | SANTA ROSA HIGH 2014 BOND | 359,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 0.030000                             | 107.70                      |
| (707) 527-4421                                                                    | 39900                   | SOCO JR COLLEGE 2002 BOND | 359,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 0.018000                             | 57.44                       |
| (800) 273-5167                                                                    | 74200                   | MS-SONOMA MOSQUITO #1     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                      | 12.00                       |
| (707) 543-4530                                                                    | 82800                   | SANTA ROSA STORM WTR ENT  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                      | 23.72                       |
|                                                                                   |                         |                           | DIRECT CHARGE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                      |                             |
|                                                                                   |                         |                           | DIRECT CHARGE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                      |                             |

# Public Hearing

- Public hearing to:
  - Adopt the *Storm Water Enterprise Charge Report*
  - Approve placing the charges on the County Property Tax roll for collection
  - Allow the public the opportunity to protest the method of collecting the charges
- Will occur on August 19, 2025 at City Council
- Notices of the public hearing published in the Press Democrat on August 4 and 11, 2025

# Recommendation

- It is recommended by the Water Department that the Board, by motion, recommend that City Council move forward with a Public Hearing on August 19, 2025, to adopt by 2/3 vote the Storm Water Enterprise Charge Report and approve placement of the Storm Water Enterprise charges on the Sonoma County Property Tax Roll, to be collected by the Sonoma County Auditor-Controller-Treasurer-Tax Collector at the same time and in the same manner as Sonoma County property taxes are collected, unless those charges do not meet the County minimum of \$10 and/or parcel owner contact information is known to be incorrect.

# Questions?