

BIOLA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-09

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIOLA
COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT APPROVING WATER AND
WASTEWATER RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024/25 THROUGH 2028/29**

WHEREAS, the Biola Community Services District (“District”) was established under the provisions of Government Code Section 61000 et seq.;

WHEREAS, the District provides water and wastewater services for its customers and collects fees for such services (“Utility Services”);

WHEREAS, a water and wastewater rate study has been completed by professional rate consultant IGService, dated April 24, 2024, (“Rate Study”);

WHEREAS, the Rate Study has been made available to the Board of Directors and to the public in general at the District’s office and has been posted on the District’s internet web page;

WHEREAS, on April 18, 2024, the results of the Rate Study were presented to the Board of Directors including proposed water and wastewater rate increases (“Rate Increases”). The Rate Study contains the same Rate Increases presented to the Board of Directors on April 18, 2024;

WHEREAS, on April 18, 2024, the Board of Directors directed District Staff to issue a Proposition 218-compliant notice for the proposed Rate Increases to all District property owners and District utility customers;

WHEREAS, the Rate Increases are required to cover increased costs by the District to provide Utility Services and the increases do not exceed the cost to provide services within each utility enterprise;

WHEREAS, the Rate Increases are calculated separately within each of the water and wastewater enterprises and are calculated within each enterprise to be proportional to the cost to serve defined customer classes;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of Article XIII D, Section 6 of the California Constitution, on April 24, 2024, the District mailed rate increase notices in English and Spanish to the record owners of each parcel, and to all Utility Services customers, in accordance with the requirements of Proposition 218 and Government Code section 53755, advising them of a public hearing to be conducted by this Board of Director on June 20, 2024, and the opportunity to protest the proposed rates in writing, which notice was mailed more than 45 days prior to the public hearing;

WHEREAS, a public hearing to consider the Rate Increases and any protest to such Rate Increases, was held on June 20, 2024, before the Board of Directors of the District, which meeting and public hearing was held more than 45 days after the mailed notices;

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that written protests to the proposed Rate Increases have not been presented by a majority of the property owners and utility customers within the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the Rate Increases in the Rate Study are necessary in order to cover actual costs incurred by the District in providing water and wastewater services to its customers, and will not produce revenues in excess of such costs of such services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Biola Community Services District as follows:

1. The proposed five-year rate structure contained in “Exhibit A” hereto meets the substantive requirements of Proposition 218.
2. The proposed rates shall be effective with the first full billing cycle beginning on or after July 1, 2024.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of June 2024, at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTENSIONS:

ABSENT:

BIOLA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Jennifer M. Duarte, President
President of the Board of Directors
Biola Community Services District
State of California

ATTEST

Marisol Camacho, Board Clerk

Exhibit A

Proposed water rates are shown in the table below. For metered customers, the total water service monthly charge includes the Fixed Charge plus the Volume Charge multiplied by the quantity of water used.

Biola CSD Water Rates and Charges							
	Current Rates	Proposed Rates					
		7/1/2024		7/1/2025	7/1/2026	7/1/2027	7/1/2028
		Percent Change	New Rate	4%	4%	4%	4%
Fixed Charge (\$/Mo)							
3/4" meter size	\$33.00	-39%	\$20.00	\$20.80	\$21.63	\$22.50	\$23.40
1"	\$37.00	-35%	\$24.00	\$24.96	\$25.96	\$27.00	\$28.08
1.5"	\$44.00	9%	\$48.00	\$49.92	\$51.92	\$54.00	\$56.16
2"	\$73.00	5%	\$77.00	\$80.08	\$83.28	\$86.61	\$90.07
3"	\$163.00	-12%	\$144.00	\$149.76	\$155.75	\$161.98	\$168.46
4"	\$290.00	-17%	\$240.00	\$249.60	\$259.58	\$269.96	\$280.76
6"	\$664.00	-28%	\$480.00	\$499.20	\$519.17	\$539.94	\$561.54
Volume Charge (\$/TG)							
0 to 20 TG	\$0.00	new	\$3.56	\$3.70	\$3.85	\$4.00	\$4.16
20.0 to 27.5 TG	\$1.00	256%	\$3.56	\$3.70	\$3.85	\$4.00	\$4.16
27.5 to 35 TG	\$1.40	154%	\$3.56	\$3.70	\$3.85	\$4.00	\$4.16
Above 35 TG	\$2.26	58%	\$3.56	\$3.70	\$3.85	\$4.00	\$4.16

Proposed sewer rates are shown in the table below. For industrial customers, the monthly discharge volume is calculated based on the estimated discharge from each customer, unless discharge can otherwise be specially measured.

Biola CSD Sewer Rates and Charges

Preliminary

Customer Group	Current Rates	Proposed Rates					
		7/1/2024		7/1/2025	7/1/2026	7/1/2027	7/1/2028
		Percent Change	Rate	4%	4%	4%	4%
Single-Family	\$43.90	27%	\$55.64	\$57.87	\$60.18	\$62.59	\$65.09
Duplex or two dwelling units on one account	\$87.80	27%	\$111.29	\$115.74	\$120.37	\$125.18	\$130.19
Multi-Family (per dwelling unit)	\$43.90	27%	\$55.64	\$57.87	\$60.18	\$62.59	\$65.09
Commercial Facilities							
Small Commercial with no food service	\$43.90	27%	\$55.64	\$57.87	\$60.18	\$62.59	\$65.09
Small Market	\$43.90	154%	\$111.29	\$115.74	\$120.37	\$125.18	\$130.19
Church	\$87.80	27%	\$111.29	\$115.74	\$120.37	\$125.18	\$130.19
Fire Station	\$87.80	90%	\$166.93	\$173.61	\$180.55	\$187.77	\$195.28
Restaurant with seating	\$87.80	90%	\$166.93	\$173.61	\$180.55	\$187.77	\$195.28
Public Works Facility	\$87.80	90%	\$166.93	\$173.61	\$180.55	\$187.77	\$195.28
Elementary School	\$373.07	49%	\$556.45	\$578.70	\$601.85	\$625.92	\$650.96
Industrial Rate (\$ / Thousand Gallons)	Varied	Varied	\$7.42	\$7.72	\$8.03	\$8.35	\$8.68
Industrial monthly charges shall be based on the calculated volume of discharge from each industrial customer, multiplied by the cost per thousand gallons shown above to process the discharge. In the event industrial discharge is more concentrated in Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) or Total Suspended Solids (TSS), causing the system concentration averages to increase, monthly charges may be increased in proportion to the concentrations.							
Note: The basis for establishing equitable sewer rates is the cost to collect and treat wastewater applied to a customer in proportion to a customer's volumes discharged. At the request of a customer, or if necessary because a rate does not exist, an equitable rate may be calculated by the District Engineer. Calculations shall be available for customer review and all calculated rates other than Industrial Rates must be approved by the Biola CSD Board.							