

**FW: PWD rate increase**

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I think its totally fine. Nothing to make a big fuss about. And I'm challenged by the leading language in the City Council announcement.

Water is severely under-priced and under-valued. We get potable drinking water to our taps for less than a penny a gallon; what do we pay for a bottle of water in the store? \$2? More than that? The discrepancy is absurd.

PWD has 3000+ miles of 100+ year old infrastructure to maintain; they give us clean drinking water, treat our waste water, and manage our stormwater. If I can give them an average of \$2 more per bill per month to do all that for me, I think that's the least I can do.

I vote to approve these rate increases if it means they can continue to improve the services they provide Philadelphian's.

Cheers.

Anna