

Proposed Changes in Water, Sewer and Stormwater Rates and Charges

Notice is hereby given that, on May 20, 2020, the Philadelphia Water Department filed an Advance Notice of proposed rates and charges with the Water, Sewer, and Storm Water Rate Board (the local agency authorized to approve rate changes for the Water Department) to implement the annual adjustment to the Tiered Assistance Program Rate Rider Surcharge Rate (TAP-R) and to revise related water, sewer and fire service connection quantity charges. The proposed changes in rates and charges will take effect on October 1, 2020. The following rates and charges will be impacted by the new TAP-R rates:

Rate/Charge	Rates and Charges Section Reference
Total Water Quantity Charges	Section 2.1(c)(1)
Total Sewer Quantity Charges	Section 3.3(b)(1)
Total Fire Service Quantity Charges	Section 9.1(d)(1)
TAP-R Surcharge Rates	Section 10.3

The effect of the proposed annual adjustment to these rates and charges, if approved by the Rate Board, will result in an estimated average percentage bill decrease of 0.4% for typical residential customers using 500 cubic feet of water per month effective October 1, 2020, compared to current rates and charges. For a typical small commercial customer using 600 cubic feet of water per month and having a 5,500 square foot lot with 4,000 square feet of impervious area, the adjustment, if approved by the Rate Board, will result in an estimated average percentage bill decrease of 0.3% effective October 1, 2020, compared to current rates and charges.

Copies of the Advance Notice, Reconciliation Statement and proposed changes in rates and charges and supporting data are available online at: www.phila.gov/water/rateboard.

Anyone wishing to be a Participant in the Rate Proceeding to consider those changes should register with the Board:

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