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Philadelphia Water Department

Re: Proposed Water, Sewer and Stormwater Rate Increases

If your intentions are to drive people out of Philadelphia, you and your cronies at city hall are doing a hell of a good drive.

It's bad enough that we have to pay a stormwater bill that constantly goes up. If I remember in the past, the city code was that all downspouts had to go directly in the sewer, it was illegal to have the rain come out of the downspout onto your lawn or dirt area. Now if we don't have the water drain onto the lawn or dirt area, we get charged.

Raising the rates will stop people from rinsing out any bottles or cans for recycling. Either they will go in the bin as is or tossed in the trash. No one is going to waste water to do this.

We are senior citizens living on a fixed income but everything in Philadelphia is going uP, uP, uP. We get nothing but bigger bills. There are discounts but most of us senior citizens don't fall below the poverty line.

Philadelphia is driving people out and stopping a lot of people from moving in. With high crime, high prices, graffiti, horrible streets, traffic with only one interstate highway (I95) that runs through Philadelphia, unbelievable real estate taxes, high cost of homes, what do you expect.

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