



TO: Board of Estimates, Office of the Comptroller

FROM: JASON MITCHELL, DIRECTOR

SUBMITTING AGENCY: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

DATE: 6/1/22 *Jason W. Mitchell*
Jason W. Mitchell (Jun 2, 2022 13:55 EDT)

SUBJECT:

Baltimore County Water Rates Fiscal Year 2023 Water Rate Increase

CONTRACT/GRANT NUMBER:

N/A

ACTION REQUESTED OF B/E:

Your Honorable Board is requested to agree to new metered water and fire services rates for Baltimore County residents, as proposed by Baltimore County in a communication dated June 1, 2022.

PERIOD OF CONTRACT/AGREEMENT:

N/A

AMOUNT OF MONEY AND SOURCE:

The proposed rates represent a 4.7% increase over the current rates for Baltimore County residents which became effective July 1, 2021.

BACKGROUND/EXPLANATION:

These rates are submitted to your Honorable Board for concurrence in accordance with the terms of the Metropolitan District Act, Chapter 539, of the Acts of 1924, as well as Article 20, Section 20-1-115 of the Baltimore County Code 2015.. Under this Act, the City is obligated to provide water to Baltimore County at cost. Revenues for these proposed rates will be used to fund Baltimore County's share of expenditures in the Baltimore City Water Utility operation. If revenues from billings to County customers exceed the cost, the City remits the excess to the County. If there is a shortfall, the county must pay the difference. If agreed to these rates, it will be applied to all Baltimore County water bills issued on and after July 1, 2022.

MBE/WBE PARTICIPATION: N/A

AFFECTED COUNCIL DISTRICT: N/A

EMPLOY BALTIMORE: N/A

LIVING WAGE: N/A

LOCAL HIRING: N/A

1% FOR PUBLIC ART: N/A

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FINANCE HAS REVIEWED:

LAW DEPARTMENT HAS REVIEWED:

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AUDITS HAS REVIEWED:

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF ESTIMATES:



JOHN A. OLSZEWSKI, JR.
County Executive

D'ANDREA L. WALKER, *Acting Director*
Department of Public Works and Transportation

June 1, 2022

Dr. Jason Mitchell
Acting Director of Public Works
600 Municipal Building
200 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

RE: Metered Water Rate Schedule
Applicable to Baltimore County

Dear Dr. Mitchell:

Baltimore County hereby submits for presentation to the Board of Estimates for their approval, the following Metered Water Rate Schedule for Baltimore County in accordance with the terms of the Metropolitan District Act, Chapter 539, of the Acts of 1924, as well as Article 20, Section 20-1-115 of the Baltimore County Code 2015. This schedule of rates, 4.7% higher than last year, is necessary to cover the required funding levels for operating costs, and is to be applied to all metered County water bills issued on and after July 1, 2022.

Metered Water Rate Schedule Applicable to
Baltimore County

Minimum Quarterly Charges

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Consumption Allowed</u>	<u>Minimum Charge</u>
5/8"	1,000 Cubic Feet	\$23.39
3/4"	1,800 Cubic Feet	\$42.10
1"	4,000 Cubic Feet	\$93.56
1-1/2"	7,000 Cubic Feet	\$163.73
2"	16,000 Cubic Feet	\$374.24
3"	28,000 Cubic Feet	\$654.92
4"	64,000 Cubic Feet	\$1,496.96
6"	115,000 Cubic Feet	\$2,689.85
8"	180,000 Cubic Feet	\$4,210.20
10"	255,000 Cubic Feet	\$5,964.44
12" and larger	455,000 Cubic Feet	\$10,642.44

Quarterly Consumption Charges

First 1,000,000 cubic feet per quarter or fraction thereof- \$23.39 per 1,000 cubic feet

Over 1,000,000 cubic feet per quarter or fraction thereof- \$15.55 per 1,000 cubic feet

The following changes to the various Rate Codes for Baltimore County are to be made effective on July 1, 2022:

<u>Rate Code - Description</u>	<u>Change</u>
51 - Regular Accounts	Apply new Metered Water Rate Schedule
53 - Metered Fire Services	Increase annual service charge to \$355.76
58 - Special Customers	All consumption to be charged at \$15.55 per 1,000 cubic feet
97 - City Property in the County	Apply new Metered Water Rate Schedule

Please contact me at 410-887-3306, if we can provide any further information.

Sincerely,



D'Andrea L. Walker
Acting Director

DLW:jmc

cc: John A. Olszewski, Jr., Baltimore County Executive
Stacy L. Rodgers, Administrative Officer
Patrick Murray, Chief of Staff
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Thomas Flagg, Metro Finance DPWT
LaToya Curtis, City Bureau of Water & Wastewater

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Director
Department of Public Works

Clerk

Date

DPW Baltimore County Fiscal Year 2023 Water Rate Increase

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