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Memorandum

Date: 30 August 2022
To: Utility Billing Recipients
cc: Mayor, Council, City Treasurer, Public Services Director
From: Lee C. Belt, City Clerk
RE: FISCAL YEAR 2023 - NO WATER OR SEWER RATE INCREASE

Greetings!

It is my pleasure to report that the city is not increasing water or sewer rates over those currently in place for the upcoming fiscal year. This is attributable to three factors:

- 1) There has been growth from a handful of new homes in the community. These new water and sewer accounts provide additional revenue at existing rates to help meet system expenses.
- 2) The Public Services Director and City Treasurer have worked hard to control water and sewer operational expenses.
- 3) Recognition by Mayor, Council and Staff that the city's residents and businesses are being negatively affected by annual inflation rates of over 8%.

A reprieve from increased costs for potable water and sanitary sewer services for this upcoming fiscal year should give space for residents and commercial enterprise to adjust to economic realities without additional pressure from city utility costs.

City Staff anticipates fiscal year 2023 will be tight. The city is not immune to effects of inflation and supply chain issues, and is subject to unfunded regulatory mandates. The annual budget process in 2023 will examine anticipated revenues and expenses for fiscal year 2024.

As set by Idaho Code §50-1001, the city's fiscal year begins on 01 October. The City Council approved the city's fiscal year 2023 budget following a public hearing held on 25 August 2022. Mayor, Staff, and Council are available to answer questions or for detail regarding city budget or process.