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October 29, 2024, Agenda Item 3

Public Hearing for the Annexation and Levying of Sewer Service Charges to the Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District of Parcel No. 200-23 within the City of Maywood

My name is Mark Pestrella, and I am the Director of Los Angeles County Public Works.

1. The purpose of the action before you today is to annex 3,380 individual properties, which have been organized as one parcel into the Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District in order to begin collecting the annual sewer service charge.
2. The Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District has imposed sewer service charges since July 1978. Sewer service charges are the sole source of revenue for the operation and maintenance of the sanitary sewer infrastructure within the Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District.
3. The current annual sewer service charge is \$50.50 per sewage unit. A sewage unit is equivalent to a single-family dwelling. Multi-family dwellings, commercial, or industrial parcels are charged a multiplier of the sewage unit. Vacant parcels are charged one-half of a sewage unit. These charges for the 3,380 individual properties will become effective beginning in Fiscal Year 2025-26.
4. On August 23, 2023, the Maywood City Council adopted City Resolution No. 6316, requesting annexation of all City territory currently being served by the City's local sanitary sewer system into the District for improved operation, maintenance, and management of the City's sewers. The City currently maintains its sewers and funds the operations through the collection of sewer service charges on property owners' annual tax bills. The City's sewer service charge rate is currently the same as the District's. Proposition 218 process for any proposed increase to the District's rate will also include the City. Approval of the proposed annexation will allow the District to maintain the local sanitary sewers within the City. The sewer service charge to be levied on the annexed parcel is to provide funding for the District to maintain the sewer facilities in compliance with the State Water Resources Control Board's regulatory requirements and Public Health standards.

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Additionally, in accordance with the Health and Safety Code, notice of this hearing was posted in the parcel to be annexed and published in newspapers of general circulation once a week for two successive weeks.

5. I am familiar with the proceeding for the annexation of territory to the Consolidated Sewer Maintenance District, and I have concluded that the charges have been fairly imposed in proportion to the services provided to each property.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on October 16, 2024.



MARK PESTRELLA, PE
Director of Public Works