



Prince George's County Council

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: 5/25/2023

Effective Date: 7/1/2023

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Chapter Number:

Draft No.: 1

Public Hearing Date:

Proposer(s): Dernoga

Sponsor(s): Dernoga, Harrison, Watson, Ivey, Hawkins, Oriadha, Olson, Fisher and Franklin

Item Title: A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS OF THE WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION AND THE RECOMMENDATION OF WATER AND SEWER RATES AND AD VALOREM TAX LEVIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 for the purpose of adopting the Fiscal Year 2024 Operating and Capital Budgets of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission and the recommended Water and Sewer Rates and Ad Valorem Tax Levies for Fiscal Year 2024.

Drafter: Kathleen H. Canning, Legislative Officer
J. Kenneth Battle, TIEE Committee Director

Resource Personnel: Kathleen H. Canning, Legislative Officer
J. Kenneth Battle, TIEE Committee Director
Lavinia Baxter, Budget & Policy Analyst, A&I

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

Date:	Acting Body:	Action:	Sent To:
05/25/2023	County Council	introduced	
	Action Text: This Resolution was introduced by Council Members Dernoga, Harrison, Watson, Ivey, Hawkins, Oriadha, Olson, Fisher and Franklin.		
05/25/2023	County Council	adopted	
	Action Text: A motion was made by Council Member Ivey, seconded by Council Member Harrison, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote: Aye: 10 Hawkins, Harrison, Blegay, Dernoga, Watson, Olson, Fisher, Burroughs, Ivey and Oriadha Absent: 1 Franklin		

AFFECTED CODE SECTIONS:

BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT:

Section 17-202 of the Public Utilities Article, of the Annotated Code of Maryland, requires the joint WSSC operating and capital budgets. This resolution recommends that WSSC adopt a 7.0% rate increase in water and sewer rates. The joint approval of both Councils is required to increase operating expenditures above the amount approved for Fiscal Year 2024. Any changes to the Operating or Capital Budget categories, which exceed the approved categories by 5% or greater, require prior Council approval. For changes below the 5% limit, the Commission may authorize the transfer of funds between categories.

FY2024 Water and Sewer Operating Budget - \$ 924,352,100

FY2024 General Bond Debt Service Operating Budget - \$ 6,830,000

TOTAL FY2024 Operating Budget - \$ 931,182,100

FY2023 Capital Budget - \$ 683,069,100

TOTAL FY2024 Operating and Capital Budget - \$ 1,614,251,200

Rate Increase - 7.0

Water and Sewer Rate Schedule (eff.: July 1, 2023. See Appendix C)

Account Maintenance Fee - (Fee varies by meter size. See Appendix D)

Infrastructure Investment Fee - (Fee varies by meter size. See Appendix E)

SDC Fee - \$203 per fixture

Water Production - 162.0 million gallons per day

Authorized Work-Years - 1,836

Document(s): R2023055, CR-055-2023 Appendix C, CR-055-2023 Appendix D, CR-055-2023 Appendix E, CR-055-2023 Appendix F, CR-055-2023 Summary