City of Punta Gorda



FY 2015 Utility Rate Study City Council Meeting August 19, 2015

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Introduction & Scope

Burton & Associates

- Financial management consultants for local government
- Recognized experts in the area of water resources
- Dynamic interactive models & decision support process
- Some of our clients in Southwest Florida
 - Ft. Myers, Cape Coral, Venice, North Port, Naples, Sarasota

Rate Study Scope

- Develop multi-year financial management plan
- Evaluate and potential modify current rate structure
- Update level of impact fees
- Assist in updating miscellaneous fees/charges

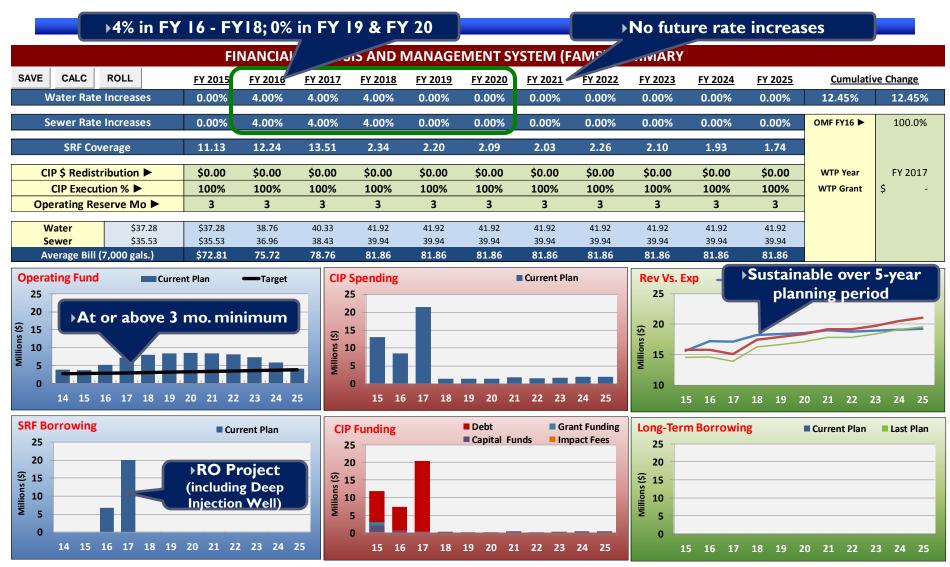
Executive Summary

- Status quo will not address cost requirements of the system
 - Fund balance exhausted and in technical default on debt by FY 20
 - Modest plan of near-term revenue increases needed
 - ▶ 4% for FY 2016; 2-4% for FY 2017 and FY 2018 depending upon grants
- ▶ Current rate structure does not compare well to local practices
 - Recommend adjustments to the number of tiers and pricing for residential
 - Other adjustments to irrigation meters, non-residential, and monthly charge
- Minor impact fee adjustments are needed (net change of \$36)
 - ▶ Decrease of \$178 for water, increase of \$214 for sewer
 - ▶ If \$14M of net grants received for water additional reduction of \$576
- Updates of miscellaneous fees and charges
 - Developed wholesale rates for water for intergovernmental agencies
 - Staff is updating installation charges, premise visit, connection fees, etc.

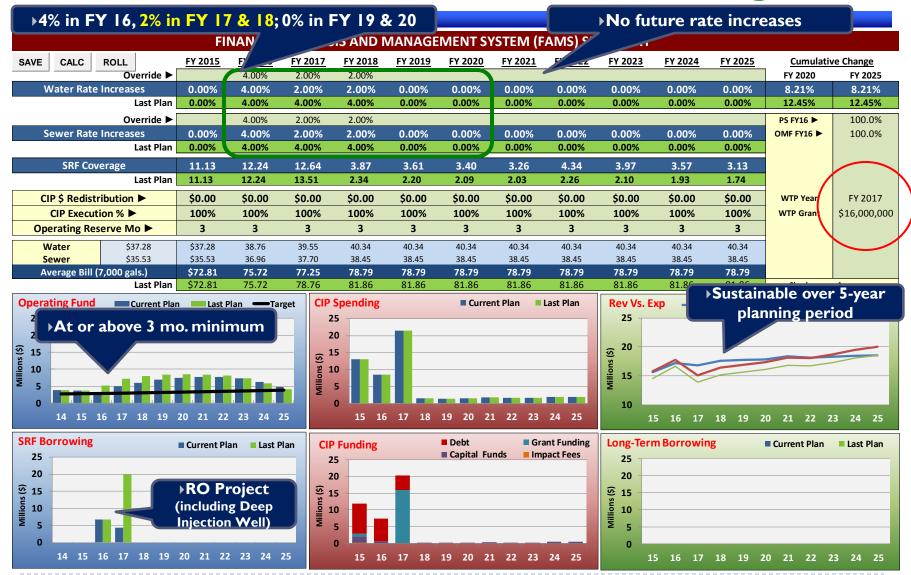
Financial Management Plan: Source Data & Assumptions

- ▶ FY 2014 audited fund balances
- Revenues based upon 2015 ytd results and 0.75% growth rate
 - ▶ Growth rate per review of 5 years of historical data and ytd results
 - Validated against Consulting Engineer Analysis and BEBR
- Operating expenses per FY 16 Proposed Budget, adjusted for:
 - Average annual cost inflation of approximately 3% per year
- ▶ 10-year project specific capital needs per City staff
 - ▶ Short-term financings per Finance Department; SRF Loan for RO Plant
- Minimum fund balance reserve targets
 - Operating = 3 mos. of O&M expenses (Liquidity for operations, contingency)
 - Capital = \$1.5M avg annual cash-funded CIP (unplanned items/system failures)
 - ▶ Consistent with industry guidelines and rating agency criteria

Financial Management Plan Summary: No Additional Grants for RO Plant

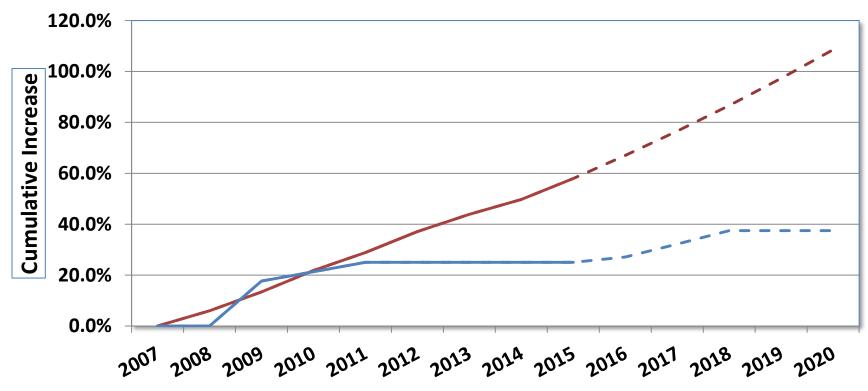


Blue Bars = With Grant Funding Green Bars = No Grant Funding



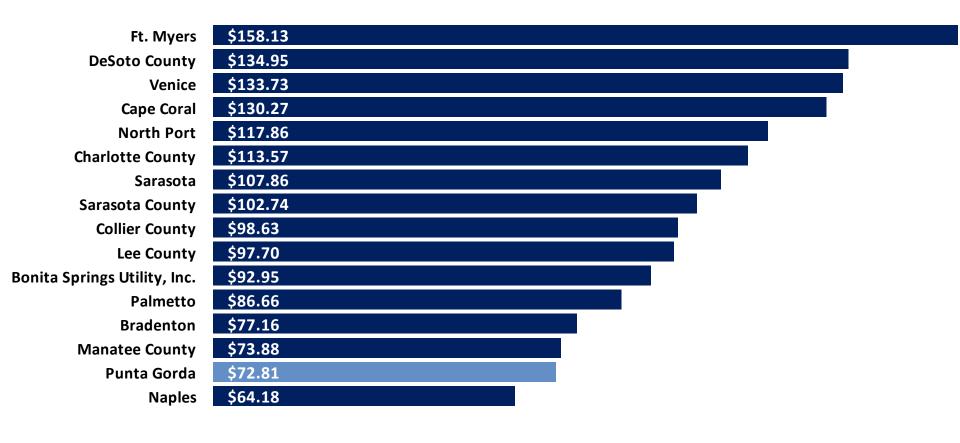
Comparison to National Industry Trends

US CPI - Water & Sewerage Maintenance Series - - Projected CPI — Cumulative CPI vs City of Punta Gorda Total W/S Rate Increases — City Cumulative - - City Projected



- Measures the national average change in the cost of water and sewer service to households
- Much more specific and relevant to utilities than overall CPI
- ▶ 10-year average annual increase = 5.7%; 35% higher than City adjustments since 2007

FY 2015 Residential Water & Sewer Bill Comparison at 7,000 Gallons



Local Rate Structures

(Per publicly available data/research as of 7/1/15)

	Block Range			Block Rates								
Entity	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 4	Tier 5	Tier 6	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 4	Tier 5	Tier 6
Punta Gorda	10,000	20,000	40,000	80,000	>80000		\$3.30	\$3.80	\$ 4.28	\$ 4.77	\$ 5.28	
Cape Coral	5,000	10,000	15,000	20,000	30,000	- 30000	\$3.90	\$4.55	٥٥.٥ ډ	\$10.25	\$11.32	\$12.44
Ft. Myers	5,000	10,000	15,000	>15000			\$4.65	\$9.30	\$13.02	\$18.22		
North Port	4,000	8,000	12,000	16,000	20,000	>20000	\$3.67	\$5.50	\$ 7.72	\$10.30	\$13.22	\$18.38
Sarasota	4,000	8,000	12,000	24,000	>24000		\$3.19	\$3.75	\$ 5.25	\$ 7.87	\$12.21	
Bradenton	3,000	>3000					\$2.18	\$3.50				
DeSoto County	5,000	10,000	15,000	>15000			\$5.72	\$7.16	\$ 8.59	\$11.45		
Charlotte County	5,999	10,999	15,999	25,999	>25999		\$4.71	\$5.41	\$ 6.82	\$ 7.76	\$ 8.94	
Venice	2,000	5,000	10,000	>10000			\$4.22	\$6.50	\$ 8.13	\$10.15		
Lee County	6,000	12,000	18,000	>18000			\$3.27	\$4.09	\$ 4.91	\$ 6.54		
Naples	7,500	15,000	22,500	>22500			\$1.37	\$2.40	\$ 3.41	\$ 4.09		
Sarasota County	4,000	8,000	12,000	18,000	>18000		\$2.44	\$3.08	\$ 5.33	\$ 8.82	\$12.32	
Collier County	5,000	10,000	20,000	30,000	50,000	>50000	\$2.64	\$3.97	\$ 5.28	\$ 6.59	\$ 7.90	\$10.54
Bonita Springs Utilit	6,000	12,000	18,000	>18000			\$3.66	\$4.44	\$ 5.22	\$ 6.00		
Palmetto	3,000	8,000	12,000	15,000	>15000		\$5.23	\$5.83	\$ 6.41	\$ 9.28	\$10.22	
Manatee County	6,000	15,000	20,000	>20000			\$2.01	\$2.51	\$ 6.03	\$ 9.06		
Min	2,000	5,000	10,000	15,000	20,000	N/A	\$1.37	\$ 2.40	\$ 3.41	\$ 4.09	\$ 5.28	\$10.54
Max	10,000	20,000	40 <u>,</u> 000	<u> </u> ደበ በበበ	50,000	N/A	\$ 5 72	\$ 9 30	\$ 13.02	\$ 18 22	\$13.22	\$ 18.38
Average	5,094	10,800	17,167	28,625	33,333	N/A	\$3.51	\$4.74	\$ 6.48	\$ 8.74	\$10.18	13.79
Median	5,000	10,000	15,000	22,000	30,000	N/A	\$ 3.48	\$4.27	\$ 6.03	\$ 8.82	\$10.//	\$ 12.44

Recommended Modifications

Adjust tiers and pricing of inclining block rate structure:

- Tier I = Indoor use for typical family (5 Tgal; 0 5,000 gal.)
- Tier 2 = Indoor use for larger families (5 Tgal; 5,001 10,000gal.)
- ▶ Tier 3 = Irrigation for typical property (10 Tgal; 10,001 20,000 gal.)
- Tier 4 = Irrigation for larger properties (20 Tgal; 20,001 40,000gal.)
- Tier 5 = All remaining water use (>40,000gal.)

Replace monthly charge with customer charge

- Customer service, billing and meter reading costs per bill vs. by meter size
- ▶ Adjust rate structure for separate irrigation meters
 - Not apply Tier 1 and Tier 2 rates intended for essential domestic use

Remove inclining block rate structure from commercial

- Most pay inclining block rates on separate irrigation meters for discretionary use
- Pay sewer for all metered water volume to non-irrigation meters
- Profit incentive to be efficient with water use in production/service process

Outside-City Surcharge

- Authorized by Section 180.191 of State Statutes
- Applied by most systems across the state
- National practice: set rates based upon utility-basis of rate making
 - Allow owners of the Utility (i.e. the City) to receive a reasonable and fair return from outside-city users for their investment and compensation for risk
- FL practice: Establish inside-city rates on cash-needs basis and apply authorized surcharge to those rates for outside-city users
 - Cash-based rates do not include return on investment and risk compensation
- Recommend the City continue to apply the 25% surcharge to all outside City users, including potential intergovernmental wholesale

Current v. Proposed Rates: Single-Family Residential (Inside City)

Water Rates

Sewer Rates

Monthly Customer Charge By Meter Size

Meter Sizes	Current Rates	Proposed Rates
5/8" x 3/4"	\$7.03	
1"	\$10.42	
1 1/2"	\$16.88	
2"	\$29.80	<u> </u>
3"	\$74.34	\$4.47
4"	\$114.79	
6"	\$245.50	
8"	\$354.65	

Monthly Base Facility Charge per Equivalent

Customer	Current Rates	Proposed Rates
All Classes	\$25.24	\$26.25

Monthly Volume Charge

Usage Range	Current Rates	Proposed Rates
0 to 10,000 gals.	\$1.43	\$1.53
Over 10,000 gals.	\$0.00	\$0.00

Monthly Base Facility Charge per Equivalent Residential Unit

Customer	Current Rates	Proposed Rates
All Classes	\$7.15	\$10.28

Monthly Volume Charge

Current Usage Ranges per ERU	Current Rates	Proposed Usage Ranges per ERU	Proposed Rates
0 to 10,000 gals	\$3.30	0 to 5,000 gals	\$3.05
10,000 to 20,000 gals	\$3.80	5,000 to 10,000 gals	\$3.52
20,000 to 40,000 gals	\$4.28	10,000 to 20,000 gals	\$4.36
40,000 to 80,000 gals	\$4.77	20,000 to 40,000 gals	\$5.34
Over 80,000 gals	\$5.28	Over 40,000 gals	\$6.50

Current v. Proposed Rates: Single-Family Residential (Outside City)

Water Rates

Sewer Rates

Monthly Customer Charge By Meter Size

Meter Sizes	Current Rates	Proposed Rates
5/8" x 3/4"	\$8.79	
1"	\$13.03	
1 1/2"	\$21.10	
2"	\$37.25	45.50
3"	\$92.93	\$5.59
4"	\$143.49	
6"	\$306.88	
8"	\$443.31	

Monthly Base Facility Charge per Equivalent

Customer	Current Rates	Proposed Rates
All Classes	\$31.55	\$32.81

Monthly Volume Charge

Usage Range	Current Rates	Proposed Rates
0 to 10,000 gals.	\$1.79	\$1.91
Over 10,000 gals.	\$0.00	\$0.00

Monthly Base Facility Charge per Equivalent Residential Unit

Customer	Current Rates	Proposed Rates
All Classes	\$8.94	\$12.85

Monthly Volume Charge

Current Usage Ranges per ERU	Current Rates	Proposed Usage Ranges per ERU	Proposed Rates
0 to 10,000 gals	\$4.13	0 to 5,000 gals	\$3.81
10,000 to 20,000 gals	\$4.75	5,000 to 10,000 gals	\$4.40
20,000 to 40,000 gals	\$5.35	10,000 to 20,000 gals	\$5.45
40,000 to 80,000 gals	\$5.96	20,000 to 40,000 gals	\$6.68
Over 80,000 gals	\$6.60	Over 40,000 gals	\$8.13

Current v. Proposed Rates: Commercial

Water Rates

Sewer Rates

Monthly Customer Charge By Meter Size

Meter Sizes	Current Rates	Proposed Rates
5/8" x 3/4"	\$7.03	
1"	\$10.42	
1 1/2"	\$16.88	
2"	\$29.80	A
3"	\$74.34	\$4.47
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8"	\$354.65	

Monthly Base Facility Charge per Equivalent

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Monthly Volume Charge

Usage Range	Current Rates	Proposed Rates		
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Monthly Base Facility Charge per Equivalent Residential Unit

Customer	Current Rates	Proposed Rates		
All Classes	\$7.15	\$10.28		

Monthly Volume Charge

Current Usage Ranges per ERU	Current Rates	Proposed Usage Ranges per ERU	Proposed Rates		
0 to 10,000 gals	\$3.30				
10,000 to 20,000 gals	\$3.80				
20,000 to 40,000 gals	\$4.28	All Usage	\$3.88		
40,000 to 80,000 gals	\$4.77				
Over 80,000 gals	\$5.28				

Resulting Allocation of Revenue

NEW RATE STRUCTURE

	Residential Water Rev (000's)		Multifamily Water Rev (000's)		Commercial Water Rev (000's)		Irrigation Rev (000's)		Totals Rev (000's)	
Water	\$	5,060	\$	1,788	\$	1,088	\$	583	\$	8,519
Sewer	\$	3,164	\$	2,519	\$	839	\$	-	\$	6,522
Total	\$	8,225	\$	4,306	\$	1,928	\$	583	\$	15,042

CURRENT RATE STRUCTURE

	Residential Water Rev (000's)		Multifamily Water Con Rev (000's)		ommercial Water Rev (000's)		Irrigation Rev (000's)		Totals Rev (000's)	
Water	\$	4,990	\$	1,669	\$	1,059	\$	465	\$	8,183
Sewer	\$	3,043	\$	2,422	\$	807	\$	-	\$	6,272
Total	\$	8,033	\$	4,091	\$	1,866	\$	465	\$	14,455
\$ Variance	\$	192	\$	215	\$	62	\$	118	\$	587
% Variance		2.3%		5.0%		3.2%		20.2%		4.0%

Customer Impacts: Single-Family Residential Users

Inside Re	sidentia	Across-T	Across-The-Board Increase							
Monthly Use (Gal)	# of Bills	% of Bills	Agg. %	Current FY 15	Proposed FY 16	\$ Chg	% Chg	FY 2016	\$ Chg	% Chg.
0	6,592	9.9%	9.9%	\$39.42	\$41.00	\$1.58	4.0%	\$41.00	\$1.58	4.0%
1,000	3,991	6.0%	15.9%	\$44.19	\$45.58	\$1.39	3.2%	\$45.96	\$1.77	4.0%
2,000	5,068	7.6%	23.6%	\$48.96	\$50.17	\$1.21	2.5%	\$50.92	\$1.96	4.0%
3,000	5,774	8.7%	32.3%	\$53.73	\$54.75	\$1.02	1.9%	\$55.88	\$2.15	4.0%
4,000	5,443	8.2%	40.5%	\$58.50	\$59.33	\$0.83	1.4%	\$60.84	\$2.34	4.0%
5,000	4,625	7.0%	47.4%	\$63.27	\$63.92	\$0.65	1.0%	\$65.80	\$2.53	4.0%
6,000	4,024	6.1%	53.5%	\$68.04	\$68.95	\$0.91	1.3%	\$70.76	\$2.72	4.0%
7,000	3,332	5.0%	58.5%	\$72.81	\$74.00	\$1.19	1.6%	\$75.72	\$2.91	4.0%
8,000	3,063	4.6%	63.1%	\$77.58	\$79.04	\$1.46	1.9%	\$80.68	\$3.10	4.0%
9,000	2,633	4.0%	67.1%	\$82.35	\$84.09	\$1.74	2.1%	\$85.65	\$3.30	4.0%
10,000	2,592	3.9%	71.0%	\$87.12	\$89.13	\$2.01	2.3%	\$90.61	\$3.49	4.0%
11,000	2,272	3.4%	74.4%	\$90.92	\$93.49	\$2.57	2.8%	\$94.56	\$3.64	4.0%
12,000	2,048	3.1%	77.5%	\$94.72	\$97.85	\$3.13	3.3%	\$98.51	\$3.79	4.0%
13,000	1,814	2.7%	80.2%	\$98.52	\$102.20	\$3.68	3.7%	\$102.46	\$3.94	4.0%
14,000	1,693	2.5%	82.8%	\$102.32	\$106.56	\$4.24	4.1%	\$106.42	\$4.10	4.0%
15,000	1,458	2.2%	85.0%	\$106.12	\$110.91	\$4.79	4.5%	\$110.37	\$4.25	4.0%
20,000	751	1.1%	92.6%	\$125.12	\$132.69	\$7.57	6.0%	\$130.13	\$5.01	4.0%
30,000	158	0.2%	98.0%	\$167.92	\$186.09	\$18.17	10.8%	\$174.64	\$6.72	4.0%
40,000	45	0.1%	99.3%	\$210.72	\$239.48	\$28.76	13.6%	\$219.15	\$8.43	4.0%
80,000	-	0.0%	99.9%	\$401.52	\$499.55	\$98.03	24.4%	\$417.58	\$16.06	4.0%

Customer Impacts: Multi-Family Residential Users

	Mon	thly Wa	ater &	Sewer Cal	culati	ons - M	ultifamily	Accounts	5	
Account #	Inside/ Outside	Service	Meter Size	Typical Mtly Usage (Gal)	Units	Usage per Unit	Current FY 15	Proposed FY 16	\$ Chg	% Chg
6076	Inside	WA/SW	3/4"	2,000	1	2,000	\$48.96	\$50.16	\$1.20	2.5%
28500	Inside	WA/SW	1"	11,000	4	2,800	\$193.11	\$201.60	\$8.49	4.4%
9158	Inside	WA/SW	1"	34,000	12	2,800	\$559.96	\$597.39	\$37.43	6.7%
16850	Inside	WA/SW	3/4"	35,000	4	8,800	\$304.20	\$318.59	\$14.39	4.7%
36797	Inside	WA/SW	1.5"	39,000	18	2,200	\$787.91	\$842.53	\$54.62	6.9%
33710	Inside	WA/SW	2"	51,000	24	2,100	\$1,048.45	\$1,113.03	\$64.58	6.2%
32787	Inside	WA/SW	3"	136,000	58	2,300	\$2,593.10	\$2,738.40	\$145.30	5.6%
12344	Inside	WA/SW	8"	191,000	97	2,000	\$4,417.45	\$4,432.16	\$14.71	0.3%
32641	Inside	WA/SW	2"	195,000	90	2,200	\$3,884.95	\$4,194.78	\$309.83	8.0%
32601	Inside	WA/SW	4"	228,000	42	5,400	\$2,558.77	\$2,587.49	\$28.72	1.1%
7601	Inside	WA/SW	3"	300,000	70	4,300	\$3,775.94	\$3,939.16	\$163.22	4.3%
36795	Inside	WA/SW	1.5"	307,000	34	9,000	\$2,579.23	\$2,712.96	\$133.73	5.2%
36111	Inside	WA/SW	6"	445,000	168	2,600	\$7,782.61	\$8,155.38	\$372.77	4.8%
3556	Inside	WA/SW	4"	537,000	173	3,100	\$8,277.44	\$8,782.45	\$505.01	6.1%
945	Inside	WA/SW	6"	779,000	313	2,500	\$14,110.95	\$15,018.27	\$907.32	6.4%
18713	Inside	WA/SW	8"	1,044,000	337	3,100	\$16,252.27	\$17,100.62	\$848.35	5.2%

Customer Impacts: Smaller Commercial Users

Inside Co	ommercia	l Wate	r 3/4" Me	eter Water	· & Sewer B	ill Calcu	ations
Monthly		% of		Current	Proposed		
Use (Gal)	# of Bills	Bills	Agg. %	FY 15	FY 16	\$ Chg	% Chg
0	6,592	9.9%	9.9%	\$39.42	\$41.00	\$1.58	4.0%
1,000	3,991	6.0%	15.9%	\$44.19	\$46.41	\$2.22	5.0%
2,000	5,068	7.6%	23.6%	\$48.96	\$51.82	\$2.86	5.8%
3,000	5,774	8.7%	32.3%	\$53.73	\$57.23	\$3.50	6.5%
4,000	5,443	8.2%	40.5%	\$58.50	\$62.65	\$4.15	7.1%
5,000	4,625	7.0%	47.4%	\$63.27	\$68.06	\$4.79	7.6%
10,000	2,592	3.9%	71.0 %	\$87.12	\$95.10	\$7.98	9.2%
15,000	1,458	2.2%	85.0%	\$113.47	\$122.15	\$8.68	7.6%
20,000	751	1.1%	92.6%	\$139.82	\$149.20	\$9.38	6.7%
25,000	345	0.5%	96.3%	\$168.57	\$176.25	\$7.68	4.6%
30,000	158	0.2%	98.0%	\$197.32	\$203.31	\$5.99	3.0%
40,000	45	0.1%	99.3%	\$254.82	\$257.40	\$2.58	1.0%
50,000	11	0.0%	99.7%	\$317.22	\$311.50	-\$5.72	-1.8%

Across-Th	ne-Board I	ncrease
FY 2016	\$ Chg	% Chg.
\$41.00	\$1.58	4.0%
\$45.96	\$1.77	4.0%
\$50.92	\$1.96	4.0%
\$55.88	\$2.15	4.0%
\$60.84	\$2.34	4.0%
\$65.80	\$2.53	4.0%
\$90.61	\$3.49	4.0%
\$118.01	\$4.54	4.0%
\$145.42	\$5.60	4.0%
\$175.31	\$6.74	4.0%
\$205.21	\$7.89	4.0%
\$265.01	\$10.19	4.0%
\$329.91	\$12.69	4.0%

Customer Impacts: Larger Commercial Users

Mon	thly W	ater & Sew	er Calcula	ations - La	rge Users	S
	Meter	Typical Mtly	Current	Proposed		
Account	Size	Usage (Gal)	FY 15	FY 16	\$ Chg	% Chg
32331	2"	2,000	\$324.90	\$307.53	-\$17.37	-5.3%
32111	2"	201,000	\$1,577.51	\$1,384.12	-\$193.39	-12.3%
20801	2"	509,000	\$3,656.51	\$3,050.40	-\$606.11	-16.6%
3891	3"	37,000	\$828.87	\$789.12	-\$39.75	-4.8%
32889	3"	144,000	\$1,508.12	\$1,367.99	-\$140.13	-9.3%
4245	3"	626,000	\$4,761.62	\$3,975.60	-\$786.02	-16.5%
24212	4"	50,000	\$1,258.40	\$1,188.22	-\$70.18	-5.6%
36139	4"	372,000	\$3,401.90	\$2,930.24	-\$471.66	-13.9%
33948	4"	395,000	\$3,557.15	\$3,054.67	-\$502.48	-14.1%
18098/38063	6"	36,000	\$2,163.40	\$2,025.73	-\$137.67	-6.4%

Customer Impacts: Separate Irrigation Meters

	Inside 3/4" Meter Irrigation Bill Calculations												
Monthly				Current	Proposed								
Use (Gal)	# of Bills	% of Bills	Agg. %	Irrigation	Irrigation	\$ Chg	% Chg						
0	3,140	76.8%	76.8%	\$14.18	\$14.75	\$0.57	4.0%						
5,000	31	0.8%	90.9%	\$30.68	\$36.53	\$5.85	19.1%						
10,000	13	0.3%	92.9%	\$47.18	\$58.31	\$11.13	23.6%						
15,000	12	0.3%	94.3%	\$66.18	\$85.01	\$18.83	28.4%						
20,000	11	0.3%	96.3%	\$85.18	\$111.70	\$26.52	31.1%						
25,000	13	0.3%	97.5%	\$106.58	\$138.40	\$31.82	29.9%						
30,000	5	0.1%	98.3%	\$127.98	\$165.10	\$37.12	29.0%						
40,000	2	0.0%	99.1%	\$170.78	\$230.12	\$59.34	34.7%						
50,000	2	0.0%	99.5%	\$218.48	\$295.13	\$76.65	35.1%						
80,000	_	0.0%	100.0%	\$361.58	\$490.18	\$128.60	35.6%						

Less than 5% of all accounts have a separate irrigation meter

Mostly multi-family complexes and commercial customers

Updated Impact Fees

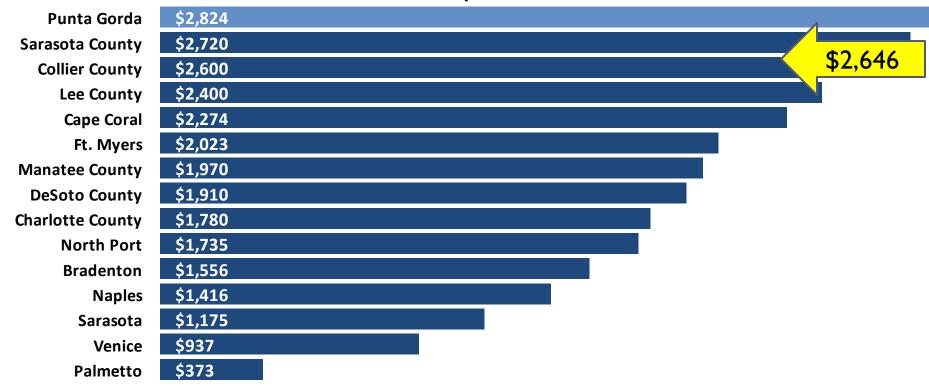
- Based upon reconstruction cost (less depreciation) of existing assets and five-year CIP (includes RO Plant for water)
 - ▶ Excludes contributions (i.e. grants and developer funded)

Fee per Unit	Water	Sewer	Total
Current	\$2,824	\$2,463	\$5,287
Update	\$2,646	\$2,677	\$5,323
\$ Change	(\$178)	\$214	\$36
% Change	(6%)	9%	1%

- Recommendation: Adopt updated fees to maximize cost recovery from growth and minimize burden on ratepayers
 - Note: With grant for RO Plant (\$16M) water fee would be \$2,070

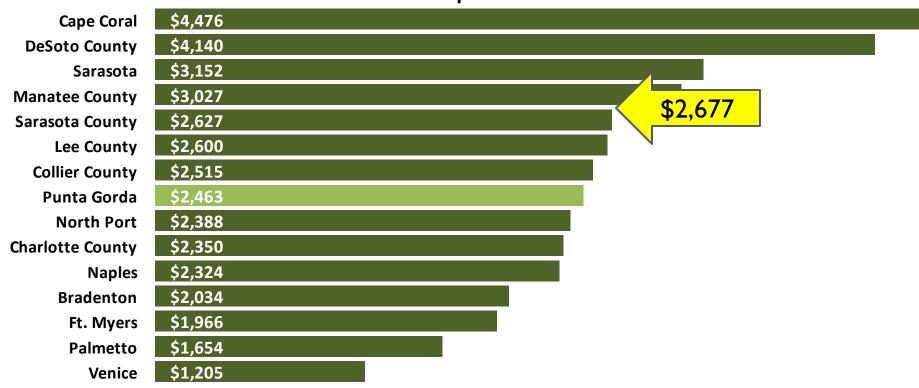
Water Impact Fee Survey (1 ERU)





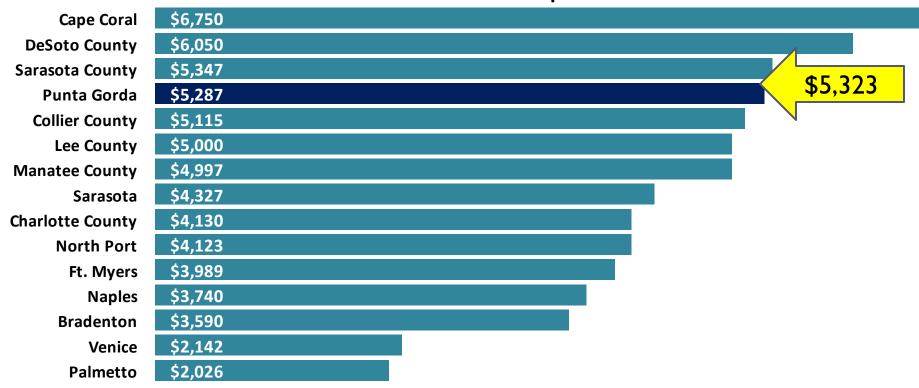
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Combined Impact Fee Survey (1 ERU)

Combined Water & Sewer Impact Fees



Miscellaneous Fees & Charges: Intergovernmental Wholesale Rates

- ▶ Performed cost of service analysis to isolate water costs
- Allocated total water system costs to each system function
- Identified portion of costs benefiting all users
- Isolated costs benefiting just retail users (Distribution)
- Determined costs allocable as percent of retail
 - With and without City's transmission system cost (potential variable)
- Developed rate schedules based upon proposed non-residential rate structures and wholesale cost percentages
 - Rates adjusted annually in the future by same retail rate indexing amount

% of Retail Rates	No Trans	Trans
Wholesale/Bulk	57%	72%

Miscellaneous Fees & Charges: Various Fees

- ▶ Small portion of annual revenue (less than 1%)
- Charges associated with the provision of specific services to individual customers
 - Ex: inspection fees, service initiation charge, meter tests, etc.
- Provided cost of service templates to City staff
 - For use in updating the existing fees and to calculate any new ones
- City staff is in the process of final data gathering and populating of the templates
- We will review and assist in recommending adjustments

Summary

- Status quo will not address cost requirements of the system
 - Fund balance exhausted and in technical default on debt by FY 20
 - Modest plan of near-term revenue increases needed
 - ▶ 4% for FY 2016; 2-4% for FY 2017 and FY 2018 depending upon grants
- Current rate structure does not compare well to local practices
 - Recommend adjustments to the number of tiers and pricing for residential
 - Other adjustments to irrigation meters, non-residential, and monthly charge
- Minor impact fee adjustments are needed (net change of \$36)
 - ▶ Decrease of \$178 for water, increase of \$214 for sewer
 - ▶ If \$14M of net grants received for water additional reduction of \$576
- Updates of miscellaneous fees and charges
 - Developed wholesale rates for water for intergovernmental agencies
 - Staff is updating installation charges, premise visit, connection fees, etc.

Discussion & Next Steps

