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Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Kerrie Romanow

DATE: June 1, 2018

SUBJECT: MUNICIPAL WATER SYSTEM WATER RATE CHANGES FOR 2018-2019

Date Approved 8

COUNCIL DISTRICTS: <u>2, 4, 7, 8</u>

SUPPLEMENTAL

REASON FOR SUPPLEMENTAL

This supplemental memorandum reports on the written protests received through June 1, 2018, in response to mailed public notices regarding the proposed Municipal Water System rate change for 2018-2019.

BACKGROUND

Public notices were mailed on April 18, 2018, to 25,438 residential and non-residential water customers advising them that a hearing would be held on June 5, 2018, prior to Council consideration of a Municipal Water System rate change for 2018-2019. In accordance with Proposition 218, customers were given at least 45 days from April 18, 2018, in which to file written protests of the proposed rate increase.

Unless written protests to the proposed rate increase are presented by a majority of customers, Council may consider the proposed Municipal Water System rate increase.

ANALYSIS

As of Friday, June 1, 2018, the City Clerk's Office has received 53 protests in response to the public notice, which represents less than one half of one percent of all customers impacted by the change in water retail rates. The protests received did not offer any specific reason for the protest.

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Protest letters may be submitted through the close of the Public Hearing, and the City Clerk will provide to Council a count of additional protests received subsequent to this memo and during the Public Hearing after the hearing is closed.

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