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# Memorandum

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Kerrie Romanow

SUBJECT: MUNICIPAL WATER SYSTEM

**DATE:** May 31, 2019

WATER RATE CHANGES FOR

2019-2020

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**COUNCIL DISTRICT: 2, 4, 7, 8** 

## **SUPPLEMENTAL**

## **REASON FOR SUPPLEMENTAL**

This supplemental memorandum reports on the written protests received to date in response to mailed public notices regarding the proposed Municipal Water System rate change for 2019-2020.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Public notices were mailed to 25,413 potable water customers and 144 recycled water customers advising them that a hearing would be held on June 4, 2019, prior to Council consideration of a Municipal Water System rate change for 2019-2020. In accordance with Proposition 218, customers were given at least 45 days 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, May 31, 2019, the City Clerk's Office has received 53 protests in response to the potable water public notice, which represents less than one half of one percent (0.5%) of all customers impacted by the change in water retail rates. The protests received did not offer any specific reason for the protest. The City Clerk's Office has not received any protests in response to the recycled water public notice.

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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.

/s/
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