



NOTICE OF WATER RATE AND BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

December 16, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

At 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 16, 2021, Fairfax Water will conduct a public hearing on its Proposed Schedule of Rates, Fees, and Charges. The hearing will be held in Fairfax Water’s offices at 8570 Executive Park Avenue, Fairfax, VA.

The proposed changes, to be effective April 1, 2022, include the following:

- 1. An increase in the Availability Charge from \$4,400 to \$4,510+.
2. A decrease in the Local Facilities Charge from \$19,610 to \$19,400.
3. An increase in the Service Connection Charge from \$1,430 to \$1,480+.
4. An increase in the Account Charge from \$40 to \$41.
5. An increase in the Quarterly Billing Service Charge from \$14.85 to \$14.95+.
6. An increase in the base Commodity Charge from \$3.33 to \$3.46 per 1,000 gallons of water.
7. A decrease in the Peak Use Charge from \$3.90 to \$3.85.
8. An increase in the Fees for Use of Fairfax Water Fire Hydrants to include the changes in the Commodity Charge and Peak Use Charge.
9. An increase in the Overhead Charges for (Labor) from 102% to 103% and a decrease for (Materials) from 13% to 12%.

†Charges reflect fees associated with a standard 5/8” residential meter. Changes in charges for larger residential and commercial meters are reflected in the Proposed Schedule of Rates, Fees, and Charges.

Fairfax Water is also proposing a \$208 million budget for calendar year 2022¹. Water sales are expected to provide \$180.1 million and the remaining \$27.9 million is expected from connection charges, investment income and other sources.

The major areas of operation and maintenance expense are:

Table with 3 columns: Category, 2021, 2022. Rows include Personal Services & Employee Benefits, Power and Utilities, Chemicals, Purchased Water, Supplies and Materials, Insurance, Fuel, Postage, Contractual Services, Professional Services, Other, Sub-Total, Transfer to Improvement Fund, and Total.

Net revenues are expected to be appropriated as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Category, Amount. Rows include Debt Payment (\$42,484,307), Improvement Fund (\$11,000,000), and General Fund (\$47,922,000).

¹ Fairfax Water’s Board will continue to monitor economic factors and review revenues and expenditures at mid-year to determine if additional action is needed.

A copy of the proposed changes can be viewed on our website at fairfaxwater.org/rates.

Those wishing to speak at this hearing or desiring a copy of the proposed changes should call Ms. Karen Barnette at 703-289-6029. Interested parties may submit written comments to PublicHearingComments@fairfaxwater.org or mail written comments to:

Fairfax Water
Public Hearing Comments
8570 Executive Park Avenue
Fairfax, VA 22031

All written comments must be received by close of business on Wednesday, December 15, 2021 to be included in the record of the public hearing.