

County of Santa Cruz

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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AGENDA: MAY 7,2002

April 25,2002

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, California 95060

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING 2002/2003

SEWER SERVICE CHARGE RATES

FOR COUNTY SERVICE AREA (CSA) NO. 2, PLACE DE MER;

CSA NO. 5, SAND DOLLAR BEACH ZONE;

CSA NO. 7, BOULDER CREEK:

CSA NO. 10, ROLLING WOODS; AND CSA NO. 20, TRESTLE BEACH.

Members of the Board:

On March 19,2002, the Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution setting Tuesday, May 7,2002, at 9:00 a.m. or thereafter as the date and time for a public hearing on the proposed sanitary sewer service charges for County Service Area (CSA) No. 2, Place de Mer; CSA No. 5, Sand Dollar Beach Zone; CSA No. 7, Boulder Creek; CSA No. 10, Rolling Woods; and CSA No. 20, Trestle Beach for fiscal year 2002/2003. Further, your Board directed the Department of Public Works to mail out notices of today's public hearing to all the affected property owners within CSA No. 2, Place de Mer; CSA No. 5, Sand Dollar Beach Zone; CSA No. 7, Boulder Creek; CSA No. 10, Rolling Woods; and CSA No. 20, Trestle Beach and directed the Clerk of the Board to publish the notice of public hearing in a newspaper of general circulation.

The proposed rates reflect increases needed to account for the cost of living increase, replacement and repairs to an aging infrastructure, increased labor costs associated with an aging system, and payment for the utility cost increases currently being charged by Pacific Gas and Electric Company. Specific details regarding each CSA and the related charges were presented in the March 19,2002, staff report. Attachment "A" provides a summary of the current and proposed 2002/2003 rates for each CSA. In addition, letters were mailed to rate payers in these CSAs explaining the reasons for the rate increase and providing a copy of the preliminary budget. The letter included a bar chart of the rates for the past 10 years adjacent to a bar chart of a projection of the rates if they had been increased annually by the amount of the Consumer Price Index for the previous year.

On April 12,2002, Public Works staff met with Mr. John Bassler who represents CSA No. 5, Sand Dollar Beach in order to discuss his request that the budget be reduced. Mr. Bassler requested that the sewer service charge remain at the existing annual rate of \$870.45 per parcel, which was the total service charge for the stairway construction and sewer for 2001/2002. Mr. Bassler also requested that the stairway maintenance be removed. In addition, he discussed with staff the possibility of reducing the sanitation engineering budget item to \$1,000.00 and wastewater operations contingencies to zero. Removing the stairway maintenance budget and reducing the engineering and contingency budgets would reduce the proposed service charge for Sand Dollar Beach Zone to \$881.75 per parcel. Although these are possible ways to reduce the annual service charge for Sand Dollar Beach, it would not provide for unanticipated sewer system repairs (contingencies) and would eliminate the wastewater capital reserve fund. Public Works has advised Mr. Basler that while we can support reducing the stairway maintenance budget to \$250.00, (resulting in a net savings of \$5.80 per parcel or an annual service charge of \$914.65), Public Works cannot recommend reducing any other areas of the budget to further offset the required wastewater operations cost increases.

In order to continue with the proceedings to establish sewer service charge rates, it will now be necessary for your Board to open the public hearing, consider objections or protests on the rates for the five CSAs, close the public hearing, and vote on adopting the five resolutions to increase the sewer service charges.

Once today's actions have been approved by the Board, Public Works will place these service charge reports on file with the Clerk of the Board. These reports, containing the Assessor's parcel number, the owner's name, and the amount of the benefit assessment/service charge, will be available on or before May 20,2002, which will allow for public review two weeks prior to a proposed June 4,2002, public hearing on the report. As in prior years, the rate for each CSA report must be approved by your Board and forwarded to the Auditor/Controller by August 10,2002.

It is therefore recommended that the Board of Supervisors take the following action:

- 1. Open the public hearing and hear objections or protests, if any, to the proposed CSA No. 2, Place de Mer; CSA No. 5, Sand Dollar Beach Zone; CSA No. 7, Boulder Creek; CSA No. 10, Rolling Woods; and CSA No. 20, Trestle Beach sewer service charge fees.
- 2. Close the public hearing.
- Consider adoption of the attached resolutions establishing the rates for CSA No.
 Place de Mer; CSA No. 5, Sand Dollar Beach Zone; CSA No. 7, Boulder Creek; CSA No. 10, Rolling Woods; and CSA No. 20, Trestle Beach.
- 4. Adopt the attached resolution setting June 4,2002, at 9:00 a.m. or thereafter as the date and time for a public hearing to confirm the service charge reports.

5. Direct the Clerk of the Board to publish the attached notice of public hearing once a week for two successive weeks prior to the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation.

Yours truly,

THOMAS L. BOLICH Director of Public Works

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Attachments

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:

County Administrative Officer

copy to: Public Works

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2002/2003 CURRENT AND PROPOSED RATES FOR COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 2, NO. 5, NO. 7, NO. 10, AND NO. 20 SUMMARY

CSA No	Supervisorial <u>District</u>	CSA Name	2001/2002 CSA Rates \$ Per Year Per P	arcel	Proposed 2002/2003 CSA Rates \$ Per Year Per Parcel
2	2	Place De Mer	Zone A (Apartments)	\$ 428.95	\$ 558.49
			Zone H (Hill)	\$ 55.54	\$ 55.54
			Zone P (Park)	\$ 428.95	\$ 558.49
			Zone T (Townhome)	\$ 481.02	\$ 612.84
5	2	Sand Dollar			
		Beach Zone		\$ 870.45	\$ 914.65
7	5	Boulder Creek		\$ 725.00	\$ 906.07
10	5	Rolling Woods		\$ 1,065.00	\$ 1,335.59
20	2	Trestle Beach		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,250.00

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RESOLUTION NO.

On the motion of Supervisor duly seconded by Supervisor the following resolution is adopted:

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SERVICE CHARGES FOR COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 2, PLACE DE MER

Be It Resolved and Ordered by the Board of Supervisors of the County.of Santa Cruz as follows:

Section 1. Service charges for parcels within County Service Area No. 2, Place de Mer for the 2002/2003 fiscal year are as follows:

\$ 558.49 per year per parcel - Park Zone

\$ 55.54 per year per parcel - Hill Zone

\$612.84 per year per parcel - Townhouse Zone

\$ 558.49 per year per parcel - Apartment Zone

Section 2. Service Charge Exemptions: Service charges will not be levied on parcels in the following categories:

- 1. Common Area Parcels
- 2. Parcels with an assessed valuation of \$5,000.00 or less.
- 3. Unbuildable parcels as determined by Planning and Environmental Health regulations. It is the obligation of the parcel owner to provide documentation to verify that a parcel is unbuildable.
- 4. Parcels used solely for, and dedicated to, providing private water supply to residential areas (well or tank sites).

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect July 1, 2002.

	•	he Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz 2002, by the following vote:
AYES:	SUPERVISORS	
NOES:	SUPERVISORS	
ABSENT:	SUPERVISORS	
		Chairperson of said Board
ATTEST:Cler	k of said Board	
Approved as t	to form:	
Assistant Cou	inty Counsel	
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On the motion of Supervisor duly seconded by Supervisor the following resolution is adopted:

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SERVICE CHARGES FOR COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 5 SAND DOLLAR BEACH ZONE

Be It Resolved and Ordered by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz as follows:

Section 1. Service charges for parcels within County Service Area No. 5, Sand Dollar Beach Zone, for the 2002/2003 fiscal year are as follows:

\$914.65 per year per buildable parcel

Section 2. Service Charge Exemptions: Service charges will not be levied on parcels in the following categories:

- 1. Common Area Parcels
- 2. Parcels with an assessed valuation of \$5,000.00 or less.
- 3. Unbuildable parcels as determined by Planning and Environmental Health regulations. It is the obligation of the parcel owner to provide documentation to verify that a parcel is unbuildable.
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Section 3. This resolution shall take effect July 1,2002.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of
California, thisday of 2002, by the following vote:
AYES: SUPERVISORS
NOES: SUPERVISORS
ABSENT: SUPERVISORS
Chairperson of said Board
ATTEST:Clerk of said Board
Approved as to form:
Chief Assistant County Countel

Distribution: County Counsel

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On the motion of Supervisor duly seconded by Supervisor the following resolution is adopted:

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SERVICE CHARGES FOR COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 7 BOULDER CREEK

Be It Resolved and Ordered by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz as follows:

Section 1. Service charges for parcels within County Service Area No. 7, Boulder Creek, for the 2002/2003 fiscal year are as follows:

\$906.07 per year per buildable parcel

Section 2. Service Charge Exemptions: Service charges will not be levied on parcels in the following categories:

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- **4.** Parcels used solely for, and dedicated to, providing private water supply to residential areas (well or tank sites).

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect July 1,2002.

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ATTEST:Clerk of said Board	
Approved as to form:	
Chief Assistant County Counsel	

County Counsel Public Works

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On the motion of Supervisor duly seconded by Supervisor the following resolution is adopted:

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SERVICE CHARGES FOR COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 10, ROLLING WOODS

Be It Resolved and Ordered by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz as follows:

Section 1. Service charges for parcels within County Service Area No. 10, Rolling Woods, for the 2002/2003 fiscal year are as follows:

\$1,335.59 per year per buildable parcel

Section 2. Service Charge Exemptions: Service charges will not be levied on parcels in the following categories:

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- 2. Parcels with an assessed valuation of \$5,000.00 or less.
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- 4. Parcels used solely for, and dedicated to, providing private water supply to residential areas (well or tank sites).

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect July 1,2002.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board California, thisday of	of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of 2002, by the following vote:
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NOES: SUPERVISORS	
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ATTEST:Clerk of said Board	
Approved as to form:	
Chief Assistant County Counsel	
Distribution: County Counsel	

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On the motion of Supervisor duly seconded by Supervisor the following resolution is adopted:

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SERVICE CHARGES FOR COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 20, TRESTLE BEACH

Be It Resolved and Ordered by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz as follows:

Section 1. Service charges for parcels within County Service Area No. 20, Trestle Beach for the 2002/2003 fiscal year are as follows:

\$1,250.00 per year per buildable parcel

Section **2.** Service Charge Exemptions: Service charges will not be levied on parcels in the following categories:

- 1. Common Area Parcels
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- 3. Unbuildable parcels as determined by Planning and Environmental Health regulations. It is the obligation of the parcel owner to provide documentation to verify that a parcel is unbuildable.
- 4. Parcels used solely for, and dedicated to, providing private water supply to residential areas (well or tank sites).

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect July 1,2002.

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

On the motion of Supervisor duly seconded by Supervisor the following resolution is adopted:

RESOLUTION SETTING HEARING ON SERVICE CHARGE REPORTS FOR VARIOUS COUNTY SERVICE AREAS

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has determined the nature, extent and cost of the extended services to be provided in the following County Service Areas (CSA) No. 2, Place de Mer; CSA No. 5, Sand Dollar Beach Zone; CSA No. 7, Boulder Creek; CSA No. 10, Rolling Woods; and CSA No. 20, Trestle Beach; during the 2002/2003 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS; the Director of Public Works will prepare reports apportioning the total cost of such extended services to parcels within the above County Service Areas in proportion to the estimated benefits to be received by each parcel.

WHEREAS, on or before May 20,2002, said reports will be placed on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors that Tuesday, June 4,2002, during the morning agenda (which starts at 9:00 a.m.) in the Board Chambers, 701 Ocean Street, Room 525, Santa Cruz, California, the Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on the service charge reports for County Service Area No. 2, Place de Mer; CSA No. 5, Sand Dollar Beach Zone; CSA No. 7, Boulder Creek; CSA No. 10, Rolling Woods; and CSA No. 20, Trestle Beach for the 2002/2003 fiscal year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that at the time, date and place above, the Board of Supervisors shall hear all objections or protests, if any, to the proposed service charge reports.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall cause notice of the filing of the reports and the time, date, and place of hearing, to be published once a week for two successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing, in a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in Santa Cruz County, pursuant to Government Code Section 6066 and County Code Section 4.26.150.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz, State of California, thisday of2002, by the following vote:
AYES: SUPERVISORS
NOES: SUPERVISORS
ABSENT: SUPERVISORS
Chairperson of said Board
ATTEST: Clerk of said Board
Approved as to form:
Chief Assistant County Counsel

County Counsel Public Works 0518

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON SERVICE CHARGE REPORTS FOR VARIOUS COUNTY SERVICE AREAS

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(SUMMARY)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors has scheduled a public hearing for Tuesday, June 4,2002, during the morning agenda (which begins at 9:00 a.m. or thereafter) in the Board Chambers, 701 Ocean Street, Room 525, Santa Cruz, California, to consider the adoption of a proposed resolution confirming service charge reports for the 2002/2003 fiscal year for County Service Area (CSA) No. 2, Place de Mer; CSA No. 5, Sand Dollar Beach Zone; CSA No. 7, Boulder Creek; CSA No. 10, Rolling Woods; and CSA No. 20, Trestle Beach.

The service charge reports will be available for public inspection on or before May 20,2002, at the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, 701 Ocean Street, Room 500. Notice is further given that at the time, date, and place stated above, the Board of Supervisors shall hear and consider all objections or protests, if any, to the proposed reports. For questions related to the service charge reports, please call Eleanor Anderson of the Public Works Department at (831) 454-2790.

Note: The public may attend the public hearing and/or comment on this matter. Testimony may be presented in person or submitted in written form prior to the hearing and made a part of the hearing record.

The County complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Questions regarding accommodation under the ADA should be directed to the Clerk of the Board at (831) 454-2323.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS By: Gail Borkowski, Chief Deputy Clerk