



City of Sunnyvale

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Study Session Summary of March 17, 2015 - Proposed Fiscal Year 2015/16 Utility Rates

Call to Order:

Vice Mayor Martin-Milius called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

City Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Jim Griffith
Vice Mayor Tara Martin-Milius
Councilmember Jim Davis
Councilmember David Whittum
Councilmember Pat Meyering
Councilmember Glenn Hendricks
Councilmember Gustav Larsson

City Councilmembers Absent:

None

Public Comment:

None

Study Session Summary:

Director of Finance Grace Leung and Assistant Director of Finance Tim Kirby gave a presentation that provided an over view of the City's Water, Wastewater, and Solid Waste utility enterprise funds, and provided staff's recommended FY 2015/16 rate increase for each utility.

Councilmembers asked questions, made comments, and requested additional information; summarized below.

- Concerns were expressed regarding higher levels of groundwater use by other cities and the impact on water availability for Sunnyvale.
- Inquiry regarding possibility of the Santa Clara Valley Water District attending a future council meeting to discuss water supply issues.
- Questions regarding infrastructure projects and the possible acceleration of projects that could benefit the City in a time of drought, such as recycled water projects.
- Concerns regarding the utilization of the Rate Stabilization Reserves and how quickly reserves could be restored.
- Questions regarding the City's monthly and bi-monthly utility billing processes.
- Concerns regarding commercial water rates.
- Questions regarding progress on the City's Zero Waste initiatives.

Adjournment:

Vice Mayor Martin-Milius adjourned the meeting at 6:57 p.m.