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# Proposed Trash and Recycling Cart Rate Increases

## Prop 218 -Public Hearing

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# Prop 218 Process



- California Supreme Court decision - utility rates considered property-related fees and charges
- Requires a public hearing
- Requires a 45-day noticing of the public hearing
- Protests may be submitted
- Rate increases within prescribed limits may be approved without holding a Proposition 218 public hearing
- Approximately 16,000 notices sent out, 2 protests received as of 6/13/18.

# Solid Waste Management Fund



- Fund is in a stable financial condition
- No overall rate increase
- 5.0 percent increase for carts only (food scraps collection program)

# Other Utility Rates



- Proposed water and wastewater rate increases for Fiscal Year 2018-19 are within prescribed limits as noticed May 6, 2016 and approved at the June 21, 2016 public hearing.
  - Water – 1.0 percent increase
  - Wastewater – 8.0 percent increase

# Utility Rate Comparison - Single Family Residential



	<u>Mountain View</u>	<u>Palo Alto</u>	<u>Sunnyvale</u>
<u>Water</u> <sup>(1)</sup>			
Current	\$77.90	\$93.45	\$60.36
<b>Proposed</b>	<b>78.69</b>	<b>96.03</b>	<b>62.80</b>
<u>Sewer</u>			
Current	37.75	34.83	47.18
<b>Proposed</b>	<b>40.80</b>	<b>38.66</b>	<b>49.36</b>
<u>Trash/Recycling</u> <sup>(2)</sup>			
Current	32.25	50.07	40.83
<b>Proposed</b>	<b>33.90</b>	<b>50.07</b>	<b>41.65</b>

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on 10 units of water plus meter charge. Mountain View's meter charge for single family is for both 5/8 and 3/4 inch meter sizes. Sunnyvale, and Palo Alto have separate rates. This comparison uses the lower 5/8 inch meter rate.

<sup>(2)</sup> Mountain View and Palo Alto based on 32-gallon, Sunnyvale based on 27-gallon. Mountain View has biweekly recycling pick-up; Palo Alto and Sunnyvale have weekly recycling pick-up

# Recommendation



Convene a public hearing to accept and consider public comments on the following proposed trash and recycling rate increases:

- Trash and Recycling: 5.0 percent for carts only effective July 1, 2018.