

Baca Grande Water and Sanitation District Notice of Changes to Various Fees and Rates

The Baca Grande Water and Sanitation District (“District”) Board of Directors held a public meeting on November 17, 2021, via Zoom to hear comments or concerns from District customers regarding the proposed 2022 Budget and consideration of any increases of rates and fees.

At its December 15, 2021 meeting, the Board of Directors approved “Resolution No. 2021-12-01, Seventh Amended and Restated Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Baca Grande Water and Sanitation District Concerning the Imposition of Various Fees, Rate, Penalties and Charges for Water and Sanitary Sewer Services and Facilities”.

Fee increases in 2022 were focused on development and land usage in the District. As we continue to experience an active real estate market and property transactions, the District has found it necessary to increase the fees for Water and Sewer Connection Fee applications, Tap Fees, Consolidation Fees and Availability of Service Fees.

The most significant increase impacted new connections for water and sewer fees. The rising costs of inventory parts has forced the increase for one time water and sewer connection fees from \$1,400 to \$2,500. These fees have not been increased since 2013 and will be implemented on January 1, 2022.

Highlights of other fee changes approved at the meeting include:

- Tap Fees: a one-time Fee imposed upon each Residential Unit within the District Boundaries.
 - Water and Sewer Tap fees will increase from \$3,750 to \$5,000 for ¾” meter size each or \$10,000 for both
- Availability of Service Fee (AOS): an Annual Fee assessed on vacant lots with services within 100 feet of the property line will increase from \$150 to \$200
- Consolidation Fee: includes every action by which separate parcels of real property are combined into one parcel of real property; will increase from \$250 to \$300 per lot

Changes will go into effect beginning January 1, 2022.

Many of these fees have not seen an increase over the past ten years.

Monthly usage fees, late fees and transfer fees will not see a change at this time.

For more information on all rates and fees for District customers please visit our web site at bacawater.com or email your questions or comments to info@bacawater.com.