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To: Brooke D'Sousa, Chair, Sandy City Council
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Mayor Monica Zoltanski

From: John Kirkham, Chair, Sandy Public Utilities Advisory Board (PUAB)

Date: November 17, 2023

RE: PUAB Recommendation for Water Rate Increase effective January 2024

The PUAB recommended a 10% water rate increase in our letter to you April 12, 2024 along with our review of the Public Utilities budget. The recommendation was for the increase to become effective in January 2024. The 2023/24 budget and rates approved by the Council did not include that rate increase, with the understanding that Public Utilities would review the Water Enterprise Fund revenue and needs through 2023, and report back to the Council and Mayor.

The PUAB reviewed the budget and capital needs for the City Water Enterprise fund at our November 2023 meeting. The PUAB recommends that the City increase the water rates by 10% to address the ongoing funding shortfall in capital pipe replacement, and inflation. The 10% increase is proposed across all rates within Sandy's water conservation inclining block rate structure. This follows the City's 2022 Water Master Plan consultant recommendations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Kirkham", is written over a light blue rectangular background.

John Kirkham, Chair
Sandy Public Utilities Advisory Board