

**LE GRAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 2024-07**

**RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2023-01
TO ADJUST THE MONTHLY CHARGES AND RATES
FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES, AND
CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON**

The Board of Directors of the LE GRAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT hereby adopts the following:

WHEREAS, after completing the public notices and hearing required by law, on June 29, 2023 the Board of Directors adopted Ordinance 2023-01, “An Ordinance Adopting Updated Rates and Charges for Water and Wastewater Service, to be Effective August 1, 2023 and Thereafter,” which adopted a rate schedule for such rates;

WHEREAS, the rate study conducted by Quad Knopf civil engineers found that specified rate increases each year are recommended to cover the cost of providing water and wastewater service to the community of Le Grand, which increased were set forth in detailed schedules in such study;

WHEREAS, such rate schedules provided for automatically increased rates by a specified amount each year on July 1, from 2024 to 2027, and starting July 1, 2028 such rates would adjust automatically based upon the Consumer Price Index;

WHEREAS, the community of Le Grand is an economically disadvantaged community, and the Board of Directors is mindful of the constant struggle of its constituents to make ends meet, and desire to keep the rates as low as possible;

WHEREAS, the District revenues since the time of the rate increase on August 1, 2023 have exceeded the cost of providing services during that period;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires the flexibility to reduce the amount of the scheduled automatic rate increases, in its sole discretion, if it deems that such reduction would be prudent for the operations of the District;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of LE GRAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT hereby declares its intention to amend Ordinance 2023-01, in order to provide the Board of Directors the option of reducing the amount of the scheduled rate increases. The text of the proposed amendments to the Ordinance is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit "A."

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board of Directors hereby calls a public hearing on the Proposed Budget to be held at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as is practical on September 12, 2024, at the District office located at 13038 Jefferson St, Le Grand, California, at which time the public may express its views and suggestions relative to said amendment;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Secretary of the District is hereby authorized and directed to post a notice of said public hearing in three (3) conspicuous places within the boundaries of the Le Grand Community Services District, which shall include a posting at the District office, and to publish a notice of said public hearing in the Merced Sun-Star or Merced County Times one time at least 10 days prior to said public hearing;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that officers of the District shall make copies of said proposed amendment available to the public at the District office during regular business hours between now and the date and time of the public hearing and shall receive any written comments from interested parties; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Board may, after the public hearing, adopt the final iteration of the amended ordinance, which may include any changes which the Board deems desirable as a result of the public hearing.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the LE GRAND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT on this 8th day of August, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES AND IN FAVOR: Director(s): Leonel Villarreal, Angelique Lem'mon-Halfmoon,
NOES: Director(s): Bob Giampaoli, Michael Moroni,(one seat vacant)
ABSENT: Director(s): _____
ABSTENTIONS: Director(s): _____

DATED: August 8, 2024.

LEONEL VILLARREAL, President
of the Board of Directors of
Le Grand Community Services District

ATTEST:

Cynthia Benevidez, Secretary of the Board of
Directors of Le Grand Community Services District