

Summary of Proposed Ordinance Lemon Grove Sanitation District

On May 2, 2023, the Sanitation District Board adopted Ordinance No. 33, approving a 3.0 percent annual maximum rate increase for Fiscal Years 2023–24 through 2027–28. Ordinance No. 34 adopted on June 18, 2024 and currently in effect, amended Ordinance No. 33 and established sewer service charges for Fiscal Year 2024–25. There were no changes to the sewer service charges for Fiscal Year 2023–24 and Fiscal Year 2024-25. Ordinance No. 35 of the Lemon Grove Sanitation District amends Article III of Ordinance No. 34 and implements the 3.0 percent rate increase for Fiscal Year 2025–26 and establishes rates and methods of calculating annual sewer service charges for Fiscal Years 2025-26.

Sanitation District Ordinance No. 35 establishes the sewer service charge upon each premises within the District that discharges sewage into the District sewer lines. The sewer service charge is based on three components: (1) the District’s annual cost to provide customer service functions and collect and transport wastewater, (2) the District’s annual cost for wastewater treatment and disposal as fees paid to the City of San Diego for capacity and use of the San Diego Metropolitan Sewer System, and (3) the District’s share of the regional Pure Water San Diego Program. Formulas are determined for annual sewer service charges for residential units, commercial/industrial business units, and commercial/industrial facilities.

The Ordinance was introduced after a hearing at the June 17, 2025 Lemon Grove Sanitation District/City Council meeting and is scheduled for adoption at the July 1, 2025 Sanitation District/City Council meeting. The levy of new charges are proposed to take effect on July 31, 2025 in the manner allowed by law. A copy of the Ordinance is on file and available for review at the Office of the City Clerk at 3232 Main Street, Lemon Grove, California.

/s/: Joel G. Pablo, City Clerk