# CASTLE ROCK WATER 2021 ANNUAL RATES AND FEES UPDATE DIRECTION/DISCUSSION

AUGUST 18, 2020



Make Interfund Loan from Wastewater to Water

**KEY ASSUMPTIONS AND INPUTS** 

- Smooth required rate increases
- Continue hybrid renewable water projects
- Utilize Town growth forecast
  - Actual growth has exceeded projected growth by an average of over 10% over last five years
- Use revised build-out estimates for water supply
- Ensure growth helps pay for growth

- Change timing and amounts of investments for capital projects
  - Based on market and business conditions and actual growth
- Maintain current levels of service
- Escalate operational costs at 1.55% and capital costs at 2.85% each year beyond 2021

#### 2021 RATES AND FEES KEY ASSUMPTIONS AND INPUTS-CONTINUED

- Add 3 additional full time equivalents
- Assume conservation goals will be met
  - This is 18% reduction by 2050
- Fund Administrative building in 2021
- Estimate investment income at 0.60%
- Maintain minimum reserves
- Assume non-residential water budget changes have financial consequences in 2022

- Eliminate the reduced water resources fee for 0.67
   SFE homes going forward
- Continue to not include advanced metering infrastructure in long-term CIP

# 2021 RATES AND FEES RECOMMENDED RESIDENTIAL RATES

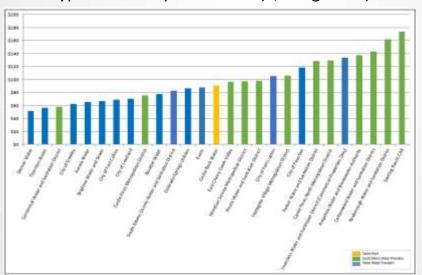
Fund	2020 Adopted Rates	2020 Study Proposed 2021 Rates	\$ Increase (Decrease)	% Change
Water, Fixed	\$9.54	\$9.54	\$0.00	0.0%
Block 1, Volumetric	\$2.82	\$2.82	\$0.00	0.0%
Block 2, Volumetric	\$5.74	\$5.74	\$0.00	0.0%
Block 3, Volumetric	\$8.56	\$8.56	\$0.00	0.0%
Water Resources, Fixed	\$26.15	\$26.15	\$0.00	0.0%
Wastewater, Fixed	\$9.02	\$9.02	\$0.00	0.0%
Volumetric	\$6.39	\$6.39	\$0.00	0.0%
Stormwater, Fixed	\$7.12	\$7.12	\$0.00	0.0%
Total Fixed Charges	\$51.83	\$51.83	\$0.00	0.0%

## 2021 RATES AND FEES RECOMMENDED RESIDENTIAL RATES PERCENT INCREASES 2022-2025

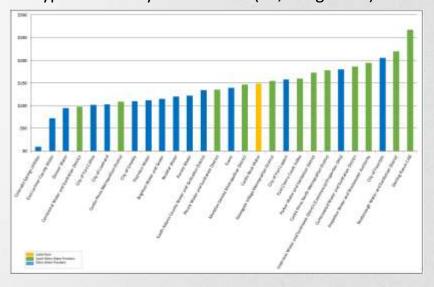
Fund	2022	2023	2024	2025
Water Fund	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
Water Resources Fund	3.0%	3.0%	3.5%	3.5%
Wastewater Fund	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Stormwater Fund	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.5%

## 2021 RATES AND FEES 2021 PROPOSED RATES COMPARED TO SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES 2020 RATES

#### Typical Monthly Winter Bill (5,000 gallons)



#### Typical Monthly Summer Bill (15,000 gallons)



#### 2021 RATES AND FEES MODEL RECOMMENDED SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEE INCREASES

Fund	2020 Adopted SDFs	2020 Study Model Proposed 2021 SDFs	\$ Increase (Decrease)	% Change
Water	\$3,664	\$5,001	\$1,337	36.0%
Water Resources	\$17,623	\$23,222	\$5,599	32.0%
Wastewater	\$4,023	\$5,029	\$1,005	25.0%
Stormwater, Plum Creek	\$1,357	\$1,625	\$268	19.7%
TOTAL Plum Creek	\$26,667	\$34,877	\$8,210	30.8%
Stormwater, Cherry Creek	\$868	\$1,388	\$520	59.9%
TOTAL Cherry Creek	\$26,178	\$34,460	\$8,462	32.3%

# 2021 RATES AND FEES RECOMMENDED SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES

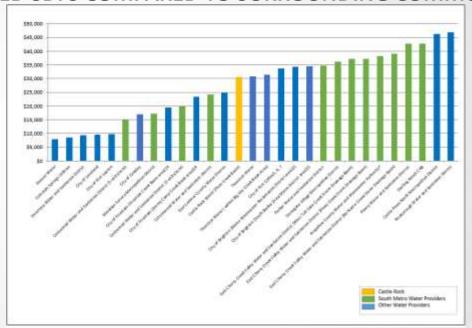
Fund	2020 Adopted SDFs	2020 Study Proposed 2021 SDFs	\$ Increase (Decrease)	% Change
Water	\$3,664	\$4,030	\$366	10.0%
Water Resources	\$17,623	\$18,504	\$881	5.0%
Wastewater	\$4,023	\$4,023	\$0	0.0%
Stormwater, Plum Creek	\$1,357	\$1,425	\$68	5.0%
TOTAL Plum Creek	\$26,667	\$27,982	\$1,315	4.9%
Stormwater, Cherry Creek	\$868	\$911	\$43	5.0%
TOTAL Cherry Creek	\$26,178	\$27,468	\$1,290	4.9%

#### 2021 RATES AND FEES RECOMMENDED SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES 2022-2025

Fund	2022	2023	2024	2025
Water	\$4,151	\$4,276	\$4,404	\$4,536
Water Resources	\$19,059	\$19,631	\$20,220	\$20,827
Wastewater	\$4,144	\$4,269	\$4,397	\$4,528
Stormwater, Plum Creek	\$1,468	\$1,512	\$1,557	\$1,604
TOTAL Plum Creek	\$28,822	\$29,688	\$30,578	\$31,495
Stormwater, Cherry Creek	\$939	\$967	\$996	\$1,026
TOTAL Cherry Creek	\$28,293	\$29,143	\$30,017	\$30,917

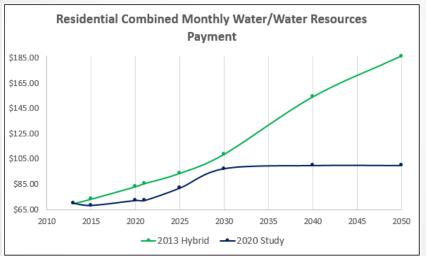
<sup>\*</sup>All Development Fees increase each year 2022-2025 by 3%

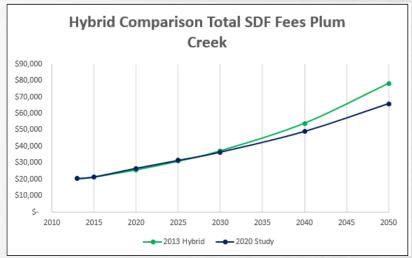
2021 PROPOSED SDFS COMPARED TO SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES 2020 SDFS



<sup>\*</sup>The Parker Water SDF may include an additional \$5K Water Resource's Toll, for a ¾" meter. Castle Rock SDF is calculated using the Plum Creek Basin stormwater DIF.

RECOMMENDED RATES AND FEES COMPARED TO 2013 HYBRID





E AND DEVELOPMENT FEE INCREASE HISTORY						
5 Year Rate Increase History						
Fund	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	
Water Fund	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
Water Resources Fund	3.0%	3.0%	0.0%	3.0%	0.0%	
Wastewater Fund	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	(3.0%)	
Stormwater Fund	0.0%	4.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
5 Year Development Fee Increase History						
Water Fund	39.0%	2.4%	5.9%	1.3%	3.0%	
Water Resources Fund	6.0%	0.2%	0.0%	11.7%	3.5%	
Wastewater Fund	6.0%	6.0%	15.2%	1.6%	0.0%	
Stormwater Fund	22.0%	17.1%	0.0%	0.0%	3.0%	

# 2021 RATES AND FEES 5 YEAR CPI AND ENR CCI HISTORY

5 Year Consumer Price Index (CPI) History						
Fund	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
CCI	1.2%	2.8%	3.4%	2.7%	1.6%	
5 Year Engineering News Record Construction Cost Index (ENR CCI) History						
ENR	2.3%	2.5%	3.3%	3.2%	2.8%	

- No change in water, water resources, stormwater, wastewater rates
- No change in annual costs for a typical ¾" residential customer
- 4.9% increase to system development fees for Plum Creek and Cherry Creek
- Both residential and non-residential meter set fees average increase between 3-5%
  - Based on actual cost of meters from vendor, no change to our cost of service
- Minor changes to special charges
- Meeting Financial Management Plan goals
- Inter-fund loan supported by modeling results

#### 2021 RATES AND FEES SCHEDULE AND OUTREACH

- Castle Rock Water Commission Meeting 7/22/2020
- Town Council Update/Discussion 8/18/2020
- Castle Rock Water Commission Meeting 8/26/2020
- 1<sup>st</sup> Reading 9/01/2020
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading 9/15/2020
- Implementation 1/01/2021

## 2021 RATES AND FEES DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- Staff Recommendation: Finalize an ordinance with the rates and fees as presented and bring back to Council for consideration
- QUESTIONS?