

## CITY OF SUNRISE BEACH VILLAGE Life is better at the Beach!

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## **Notice of Water Rate Increase**

The Sunrise Beach City Council is deeply committed to managing costs and maintaining operations while upholding its commitment to sustainable services. We periodically review our rates to ensure they align with the cost of delivering utilities to your home and/or business. As many of you know, we have an aging water system that the city bought from LCRA some years ago, and we are in a multiyear project to make sure we can deliver water to our growing customer base for the future.

Following much discussion and careful consideration, the City of Sunrise Beach Village City Council Members have agreed on an increase to the City's Water Rates.

As you are probably aware, prices for most utilities, supplies, products, and materials have continued to rise across the country, The same is true for the Water Department's operating expenses needed to keep our water system running properly and efficiently and meeting regulatory standards.

The Council's decision to increase the rates was not easily decided. The City's water rates have only increased once since purchasing the water plant in 2011. Ensuring that the rate increases remain modest and justifiably necessary is an ongoing objective for the City Council Members.

The rate increase will become **effective on October 8, 2024**. The base or minimum monthly usage rate for water will increase from \$57.00 to \$67.00, representing an 8.5% increase. We are very fortunate that, with careful management, this amount will ensure efficient water delivery. Many communities around us are facing double digit increases, and do not have the infrastructure that we currently enjoy.

If you have any questions about the rate, your water bill, or other utility questions, please contact Sunrise Beach City Hall at 325-388-6438