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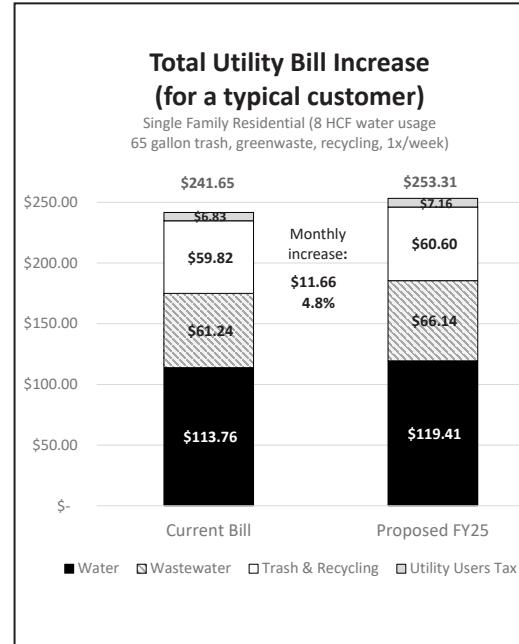
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## PROPOSED UTILITY RATE INCREASES

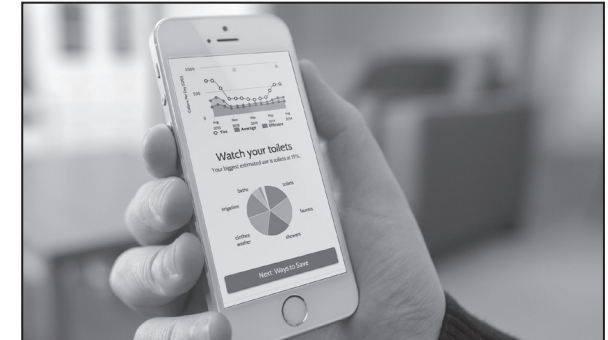
The City is proposing utility rate increases to continue to provide safe and reliable utility service. If adopted, rates would go into effect July 2024. Trash and recycling rate increases are proposed for one year, through June 2025. Water and wastewater rate increases are proposed for the next four years, through June 2028. As a public utility, our rates can only include the costs of providing water, wastewater, and trash & recycling services. Revenues from rates are used to run the utilities and do not generate profit or go towards unrelated programs. Rates also must be proportionally distributed among customer classifications such as residential and commercial users.

To learn more about proposed water and wastewater rates, please visit [SantaBarbaraCA.gov/RateChanges](http://SantaBarbaraCA.gov/RateChanges) and attend the informational webinar on Wednesday, May 22 at 6:00 pm. To learn more about proposed trash and recycling rates, please visit [SantaBarbaraCA.gov/TrashRates](http://SantaBarbaraCA.gov/TrashRates).



Comparison of current rates and proposed fiscal year 2025 (FY25) rates for a typical customer.

## PUT MORE DATA IN YOUR HANDS WITH WATERSMART!



WaterSmart provides hourly water use, leak alerts, & online bill payment.

Did you know you can now track your water use from anywhere with an internet connection? The WaterSmart portal can be viewed on any smart device with a browser and provides hourly water use readings and leak alerts.

Sign up today! Register your account on the WaterSmart portal at [SantaBarbaraCA.gov/WaterSmart](http://SantaBarbaraCA.gov/WaterSmart) and enter your account number and service address zip code. For additional information about, please visit [SantaBarbaraCA.gov/AMI](http://SantaBarbaraCA.gov/AMI) or call (805) 564-5460.



Delta Air Lines will offer daily nonstop service to ATL and SLC.

## DELTA AIR LINES RETURNS TO SANTA BARBARA

Santa Barbara Airport is thrilled to welcome back Delta Air Lines on Friday, June 7. Delta is offering nonstop service to two new routes: Atlanta (once daily) and Salt Lake City (twice daily). The A220-300 plane will serve these routes with a capacity of 130 passengers. Tickets can be booked directly on Delta's website.

Learn more about Delta's return at [FlySBA.com/DeltaSBA](http://FlySBA.com/DeltaSBA).

## UPDATED SB CLEAN ENERGY ELECTRIC VEHICLE REBATE PROGRAM

On April 22, Santa Barbara Clean Energy updated its popular Electric Vehicle Rebate program. Standard rebates now range between \$500 and \$1,000 depending on the type of vehicle purchased or leased. Income-qualified rebates now range from \$750 to \$4,000. For more information and to apply, visit [SBCleanEnergy.com](http://SBCleanEnergy.com).



Visit [SBCleanEnergy.com](http://SBCleanEnergy.com) to learn more about updated rebates.

## CITY RELEASES RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025



Recommended 2025 budget for the 2025 Fiscal Year has been released.

The City of Santa Barbara has officially unveiled its recommended budget for Fiscal Year 2025 (July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025), in accordance with the City Charter. This comprehensive budget encompasses an introductory message from the City Administrator, detailed breakdowns of revenue and expenditures by fund and department, capital priorities, and performance indicators.

Residents are encouraged to review the City's recommended budget for FY 2025 by accessing the online budget tool at [SantaBarbaraCA.gov/budget-reports](http://SantaBarbaraCA.gov/budget-reports).



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### NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK MEET & GREET



**JOIN US!**  
**TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2024**  
**3:00 - 6:00 P.M.**  
**DE LA GUERRA PLAZA**

**TOUCH A TRUCK  
 WATER TASTE TEST  
 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES  
 AND MORE!**

**FREE AND FUN  
 FOR ALL AGES!**

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You are invited to the Public Works Meet and Greet! Scan the QR code to learn more!

## PUBLIC WORKS MEET AND GREET

In honor of National Public Works week, you are invited to meet City staff and see the equipment behind the Public Works Department, learn about career opportunities, enjoy "Touch-A-Truck," and more! Free and fun for all ages! Perfect for high school and college students to launch a "Career without debt!"

Learn more at [SantaBarbaraCA.gov/PWWeek](http://SantaBarbaraCA.gov/PWWeek)

**When? Tuesday, May 28 3:00-6:00 p.m.**  
**Where? De La Guerra Plaza**



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