

Dear Council and City Staff,

It is with great dismay that I write, once again, about the lack of transparency concerning the Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds.

Why are the Enterprise Funds being merged with the City Budget in the slide presentation? This is a misleading representation of the Enterprise Funds and blurs them into the General Fund. This is completely erroneous and edges toward misleading the public.

Please present the Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds as completely discrete, distinct and autonomous funds from the General Fund.

Where are the financials from the Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds? Where is the line item from Commercial water sales at the public works yard?

How in the world are allocation costs rising for Water and Sewer rate payers when there is zero transparency around hours actually spent on water and sewer?

Where is the Water and Sewer Oversight Committee that can advocate for rate payers, ensure that the hours being claimed by the City actually match the hours spent, ensure that money is being collected for commercial water sales? Why does it cost so much to send out monthly bills? Why are there salaries attributed to the Enterprise Funds in addition to the Cost Allocation?

Rate payers deserve better. They need advocates. They need more financial transparency.

Please correct the slide presentation to show that Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds are completely distinct from the General Fund. They are not part of the City Budget as indicated by the header on the slide.

Please provide the income and expenses for the Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds. Please show the revenue from the commercial water sales. Please show the ACTUAL Hours spent on water and sewer. How many hours does the attorney actually spend on water and sewer? Can rate payers see the hours in a spreadsheet? Aren't rate payers entitled to see these hours if they are being billed for them?

Thank you,
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