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Meeting of March 22, 2021

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AGENDA ITEM 13A

**RECEIVE PROPOSED WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES
FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022 – 2026 AND
AUTHORIZE PROPOSITION 218 NOTICING**

From: burt handy <
Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 4:11 PM
To: Council
Subject: -EXT- RE: Item 13 A Raftellis Rate Study

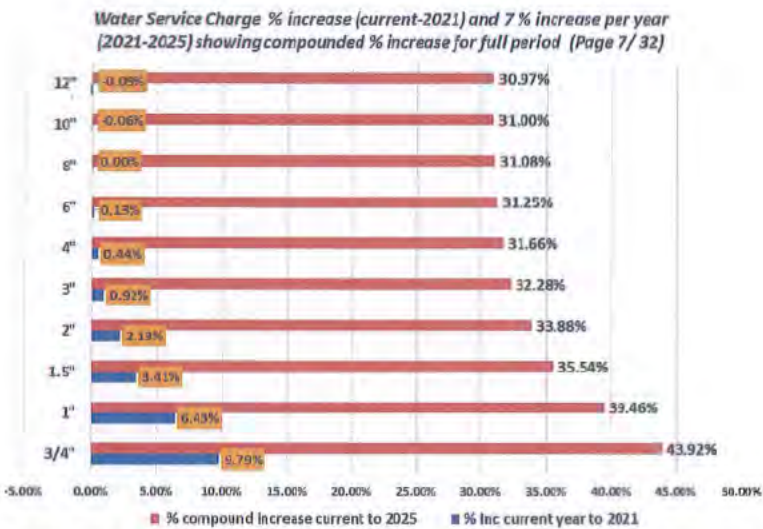
Honorable Mayor Rubacava, Deputy Mayor Schroder, Council Members, Staff And Public

The Raftellis study has some areas, in my opinion, need to be reviewed by the city council due to the inequities in rate increases..

Looking at page 7/32 you can see the increases in meter charges. For the 3/4" meter in the first year the charge will raise by 9.79% and decreases over the meters as they increase in size.

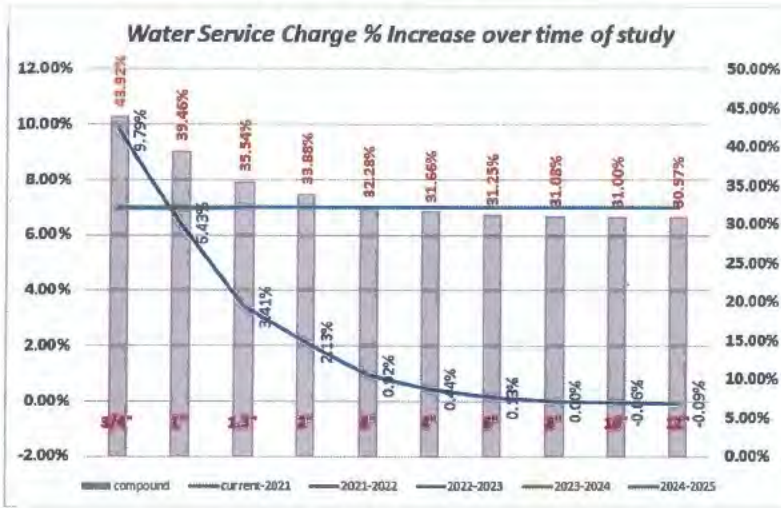
I computed the compounded result of the proposed rate increases, and as you can see the difference between the 3/4" and the rest of the meter is much higher than the rest of the meters.

I believe that all the meters should be increased by 7% as the study says the rate increase will be for the water customers .



Another chart to show the increases, showing all the years except the first year is 7% and the first year shows a range from 9.79 for the 3/4" meter and negative .09% for the 12" meter.

Again you can see the compound rate increase from the Raftellis Study.

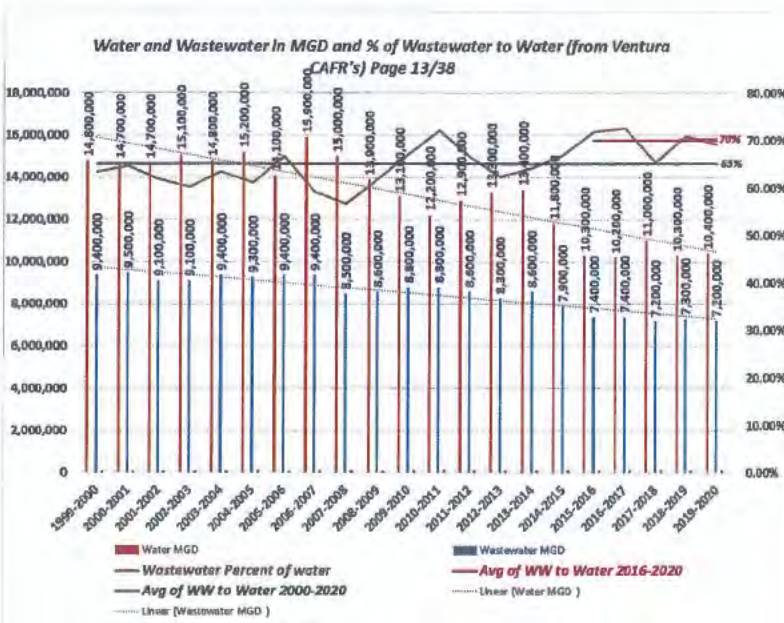


This chart shows the water used each year between 2000 and 2020, which shows the trend downward trend water used and effluent treated.

The blue line shows the effluent which flows into the treatment plant. (these statistics were taken from Ventura's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

As you can see the green line shows the percentage of effluent averages 65% from 2000 to 2020. The red line shows the effluent % of produced water as 70%.

Looking at the proposed variable rate to be charged on page 13/38 the proposed rate, in my opinion charges the lowest user of water a higher variable rate.



Looking at the method incorporated by the city of Oxnard, I believe the city of Ventura should use the same type of system, use a percentage of water delivered to the house in the area of 70%, not like being proposed to charge up to the first 12 HCF.



MONTHLY BASE RATE						
Single Family	36.78					
Multi-Family	Each of 1st 6 Units	26.92	7+ Units	13.42		
Outside City-Residential	95.11					
Outside City-Multi-Family	66.38					
Non-Metered	63.12					
VOLUME CHARGE PER HCF (RATE OF WATER RETURN %)						
Single Family (80%)	0-9	2.42	>9-18	2.69	>18	3.73
Single Family Large Lots (60%)	0-16	2.42	>16-25	2.69	>25	3.73
Multi-Family - per unit (90%)	0-6	1.96	>6-12	2.19	>12	3.05
Commercial (85%)	Minimum Monthly Fee 24.43 *OR* whichever is greater					
	0-50	4.31	>50-930	5.37	>930	10.72
School (85%)	Minimum Monthly Fee 85.73 *OR* whichever is greater					
	0-50	4.31	>50-930	5.37	>930	10.72
Restaurant (80%)	Minimum Monthly Fee 22.68 *OR* whichever is greater					
	0-20	4.31	>20-160	5.37	>160	10.72
Laundry (90%)	Minimum Monthly Fee 112.38 *OR* whichever is greater					
	0-105	4.31	>105-525	4.76	>525	5.93
Las Posas Commercial	0-50	7.81	>50-930	9.73	>930	19.43

Burt Handy

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Antoinette Mann

From: burt handy
Sent: Tuesday, March 23, 2021 7:01 AM
To: Water Commission
Cc: Council
Subject: -EXT- Potential Untapped Water Source in Mid-town Ventura

Honorable Water Commission

I believe the city of Ventura should add to the Comprehensive Water Resources Report the information listed below as a potential new water source located in Midtown Ventura. According to the folks installing the piping for the new well in Emma Wood Group Campground (whom I talked to during one of my walks in the area) he stated the pumps would produce 4 to 5 thousand GPM.....

Campground is in the city of Ventura boundaries.

According to Ms. Rungren people in the Santa Paula basin sold one Acre Foot of water for \$20,000. (stated in Ventura City Council Meeting Monday night March 22, 2021)

Due to the lack of water this year, and the potential going forward do not look good for water supplies, I believe that Ventura Water should drill a monitoring well at the San Jon yard to evaluate this source of water, since there is NO information on this area.

Burt Handy

Picture of Drill Site in Emma Wood Group Site

Link

<https://map.cityofventura.net/java/map/>



Photo taken by me on one of my walks in the area.



In Mr. Hopkins report he states on page 31:

The lack of historical drilling activity (subsurface exploration) and the absence of wells to provide water levels, water quality, and aquifer yield information create a **large gap in data** and prevent further refinement of groundwater conditions in the North Subarea.

Link to report

<https://s33630.pcdn.co/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Mound-Basin-Final-Report-3-13-20.cleaned.pdf>

Link to USGS maps # 3254

<https://pubs.usgs.gov/sim/3254/>





According to Bryan Bondy the shelf off the coast of ventura is 10 miles wide, which aquifers appear to extend into...

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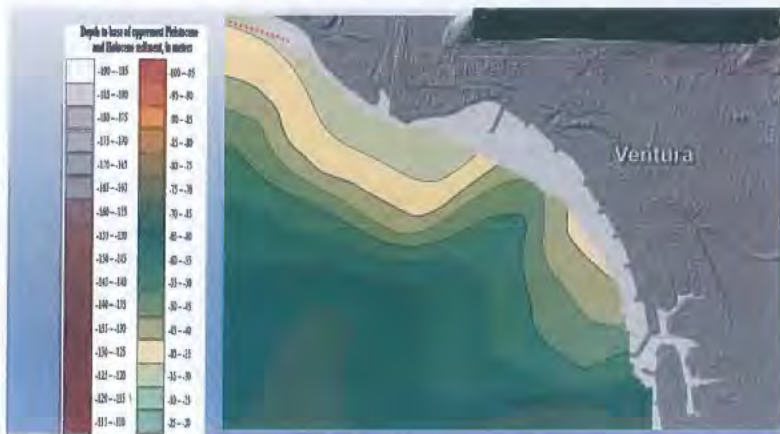
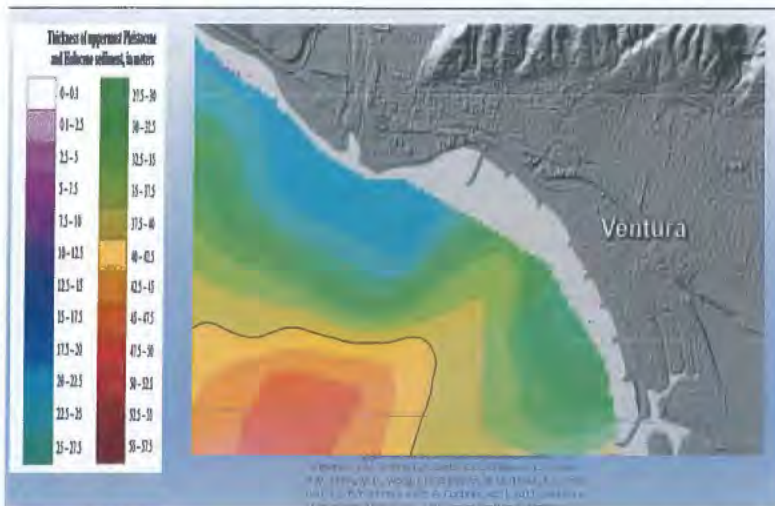
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https://s33630.pcdn.co/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/2021-02-18-MBGSA-Presentation-for-Item-8d_v2.pdf



The USGS information shows the depth of the sediment off the coast from the outflow at San Jon

Link to maps USGS survey 3254

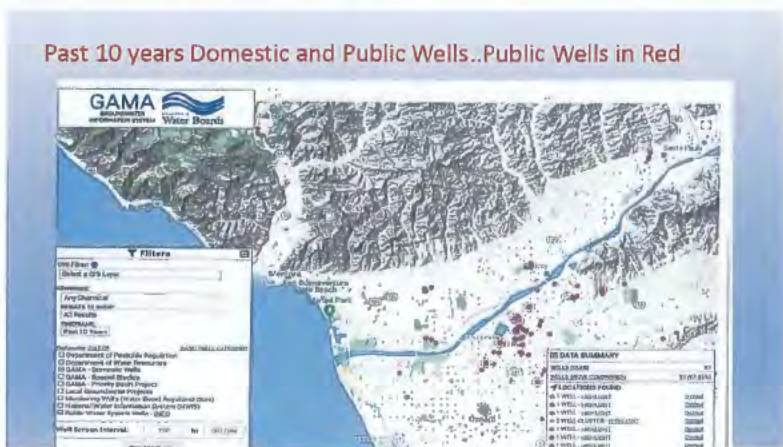
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As you can see the city of Ventura has no wells between Casitas Vista and Victoria...An area which needs to be evaluated as a water source..

Source Water Boards Link

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/gama/online_tools.html



In summary, I believe this area should be investigated by drilling a monitoring well in the San Jon Yard, which is within the Mound GSA and would assist the GSA in evaluation of the aquifers in the basin

Burt Handy