MEETING NOTICE

Date: Tuesday, June 25th, 2019
Time: 6:00pm
Location: 789 Myrick Park Drive, La Crosse, WI 54601

The City of La Crosse is holding a public informational and listening session of the draft Sewer Facilities Plan and draft Sewer Rate Study at the Myrick Park Center on Tuesday, June 25th, 2019 at 6pm – see below. Members of the Shelby Town Board and Sanitary District #2 hereby provides its written notice of attendance.

NOTICE to Contributing Communities of the La Crosse Sewer Utility

At the beginning of the Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) facility planning process, we met with each community and discussed needs and direction of the facility plan. A draft version of the WWTP Facility Plan and an associated draft Sewer Rate Study is now available for your review and comment. The draft plan addresses new phosphorous removal requirements, needed capacity for bio-solid storage, increased sustainability by the reuse of methane, and various general maintenance/process improvement needs. This draft was prepared in the traditional cooperative approach as past facility plans. The rate study is the conventional rate analysis with a calculation for wholesale sewage treatment cost to partner communities defined. An updated connection fee analysis starts on page 42. You will see some minor changes in this calculation (mostly related to assets) based on comments from Onalaska.

A public information and listening session on the Draft Sewer Facilities Plan and Draft Sewer Rate Study has been scheduled for Tuesday, June 25, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. at the Myrick Park Center, 789 Myrick Park Dr, La Crosse, WI. We would like to follow that public meeting with a workshop with just our partner communities. We would start the workshop about 15 minutes after the public information session ends (estimated to be 7pm). The workshop will be an opportunity to further discuss the alternatives in the plan and define the need for additional preliminary engineering.

Additionally, our consultants have been looking at different approaches to sharing the cost of improvements to our WWTP facility based on various possible future scenarios. Similar to what other regional sewer providers in the state have done, they started by looking at what the needs at the plant would be without regional partners. They also are exploring alternate approaches to addressing the burden of improvements based on each individual communities’ need, such as dividing the capital expense of capacity improvements amongst the communities based on each communities’ individual future capacity requirement.

Our consultants are still working on this analysis. If we can get you information on these alternate scenarios ahead of the workshop we will. If not, they will be presenting this analysis to you at the workshop. We hope all our partner communities can attend. Administrators, elected officials, and technical staff are all welcome. A copy of the draft plans can be found on the City’s web page at: www.cityoflacrosse.org/wwfacilityplanning.

In lieu of attending the public information session; written comments can be mailed or delivered to the La Crosse Utilities Office at 400 La Crosse Street or emailed to utilities@cityoflacrosse.org. Call La Crosse Utilities Office at (608) 789-7536 with questions.

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