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AD HOC COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING SUMMARY
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2009, 2:30 PM

Ad Hoc Committee Members Present:
Shirley Lyon, Director
Michael Foster, Director

Staff Members Present:
Bill Callahan, District Manager
Nancy Martin, Administrative Services Tech.

The ad hoc committee meeting commenced at 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 30, 2009. At the September 16 Board meeting, the committee was set up to further review District policy regarding sewer user fees for commercial/non-residential properties.

The sewer user fee is based on wastewater output of a single-family residence, an average of 136 gallons per day or 4137 gallons per month. This represents the standard for one Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU), and is the rate charged for a single-family residence. For non-residential properties, the number of EDU's charged is established by reviewing the business's water usage for a 12- month period. With a 10% discount for landscaping, an average monthly usage is determined and from there, the EDU's. The number of EDU's charged cannot be less than one, and according to water usage, may be greater. Additionally, if there is more than one business operating at a physical address, each business is charged one EDU.

The committee and Manager Callahan discussed ways to establish a more equitable way to charge sewer user fees for non-residential properties, including lowering office and commercial properties to .5 EDU if water usage is two times less than 1 EDU, and of billing hotels/motels a flat rate of .5 EDU for rooms without kitchen facilities and 1 EDU for those with kitchens, regardless of their water use. Manager Callahan stated Administrative Services Officer Brookins would expand the charts provided in his Commercial Rate Analysis to include the different scenarios suggested by the committee.

The meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.