

Public Comment - Group 1

June 8, 2026

Mission Canyon Sewer District
County Service Area 12

Clerk of the Board
105 E. Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, Ca 93101

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Lastly it was noted that the cost of building a septic system or modifying it has risen considerably. Possibly that money could be used for repair , maintain and for reserves.

Please do not raise the fees. Thank you kindly for considering other options before raising fees amidst the inflation and instability

Teresa Seiler

[REDACTED]
Santa Barbara, Ca 93105

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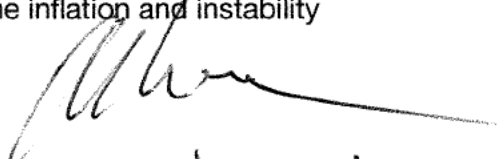
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May 15, 2026

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Clerk of the Board
County Administration Building, 4th Floor
105 East Anapamu Steet
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Dear Clerk of the Board:

Our property is [REDACTED]

I recently received a Notice of Public Hearing regarding new sewer charges of a rate increase of nearly 7%. There was no detail given as to why the rate increase was needed. Can you provide me with a justification for that increase, please?

Without that justification, I OPPOSE any increase. My wife and I are retired and on fixed incomes. We have already seen enormous annual increases in electrical, water, trash collection and gas rates. These increases, which are ABOVE the rate of inflation and above our Social Security increases, are making it increasingly difficult for people like us to afford to live here in our beloved Santa Barbara.

Why can't you implement an affordability curve whereby folks like us pay less for these increases and folks with higher net incomes pay more?

If nothing else, please consider a rate increase more in line with the inflation index.

You should know that our property tax payment also includes an annual amount (\$317.82 for us) for what was supposed to be a 30-year sewer bond for Mission Canyon so our neighborhood could be connected to the sewer system. It's been OVER 30 years now and we are still paying for that bond. Why?

You know where we stand on these matters. No increase of rates without justification for the increase. Consider a sliding affordability schedule for increases. And drop the Mission Canyon Sewer charge from our Property Taxes.

Thank you.

Sincerely,


Tim Owens
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Santa Barbara, CA 93105



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