

**SANITARY DISTRICT NO. 2 OF MARIN COUNTY
A SUBSIDIARY DISTRICT TO THE TOWN OF CORTE MADERA**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON MAY 18, 2010
OF PROPOSED CONTINUATION
OF ANNUAL SEWER USER SERVICE CHARGE RATE
(NO INCREASE TO EXISTING RATE)**

Dear Property Owner,

Sanitary District No. 2 of Marin County (District) provides sanitary sewer service to the Town of Corte Madera and portions of Tiburon and Larkspur. Sanitary sewer service includes building, operating, and maintaining public sewer pipelines and pumping stations that convey wastewater to the regional treatment plant operated by the Central Marin Sanitation Agency (CMSA) in San Rafael.

To pay for these services, the District collects an Annual Sewer User Service Charge from each property connected to the sewer system. The service charge rates are calculated based on the cost to provide service in accordance with: the District's Sewer System Management Plan as mandated by the State and Regional Water Boards; the District's Sewer Master Plan, which lays out a forty year capital improvement program to maintain the gravity sewer mains, force mains, and pumping stations; and CMSA treatment costs.

The current District Annual Sewer User Service Charge is set at \$498 per sewer user unit. The current District Annual Sewer User Service Charge was established in 2005, through an incremental increase over a five-year period ending June 30, 2010. The District is proposing to the District Board to continue charging at the current rate beginning July 1, 2010 and continuing thereafter for an indefinite period of time. If in the future the District proposes an adjustment to the current rate, a similar public hearing process as provided for herein would be followed. The charge of \$498, plus a \$2 per tax bill collection charge, currently applies, and under this proposal would continue to apply, to residential customers, which are assigned one sewer user unit per dwelling unit. Non-residential customers are charged based upon the number of sewer user units assigned to the premises multiplied by the charge established per sewer user unit (currently, as well as per this proposal, \$498). The Annual Sewer User Service Charge for non-residential customers is determined by the calculation described in detail in Chapter 21.40 of the Town of Corte Madera's municipal code, which can be accessed on the Town's website: www.ci.corte-madera.ca.us. Under this proposal, the non-residential charge calculation will not change.

If a majority of the properties served by the District submit written protests to the proposed rate, the District may not establish the proposed rate. In accordance with Government Code Section 53755, one written protest per parcel, filed by an owner or tenant of the parcel, shall be counted in calculating a majority protest of the proposed rate. Written protests must identify the name of the person protesting, the parcel(s) on behalf of which the protest is being made, and whether the person protesting is a property owner or tenant of the parcel. Protests that do not contain this information may not be counted in calculating a majority protest. All protests are subject to verification by the District.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of Directors of Sanitary District No. 2 of Marin County will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** on this proposal and consider the introduction of an ordinance that would set the Annual Sewer User Service Charge beginning July 1, 2010 at the same rate as is currently charged, at the Corte Madera Town Hall Council Chambers, located at 300 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera, California on Tuesday, May 18, 2010, at 7:30 PM, at which time and place interested persons may appear and be heard. Written comments or protests may be mailed to the District Clerk at 233 Tamalpais Drive, Suite 200, Corte Madera, CA 94925 or by email to sewer_dept@ci.corte-madera.ca.us

If you have any questions about the proposed Annual Sewer User Service Charge (NO INCREASE), please call the Sanitary Services Manager at (415) 927-5057.

NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE



Twin Cities Police Authority
5725 Paradise Drive, Building E
Corte Madera, CA 94925
(415) 927-5150 (f) (415) 927-5167

For more information, contact: **Capt. Todd Cusimano**

NEW TEMPORARY TWIN CITIES POLICE HEADQUARTERS

CORTE MADERA, CALIF., January 7, 2010 - The Twin Cities Police Authority is pleased to announce the opening of the new temporary police headquarters effective **Tuesday, January 19, 2010**. The new facility will be located at **5725 Paradise Drive, Building E, Suite 900 in Corte Madera, California**. All police operations will be housed in this facility for approximately 18 months to 2 years while construction starts on the new permanent facility at 250 Doherty Drive in Larkspur, California.

The initial phase of construction for the new facility will commence in mid-February 2010. The construction will include hazardous materials abatement and demolition of the 36-year-old existing police department facility and the Larkspur Corporation Yard. Upon completion of this phase of the project, the construction documents will be made available and formal bids for the construction of the new facility will be received in mid-March 2010. Upon determination of the lowest responsible bidder and subsequent contract award, the construction of the new facility will commence in mid-April 2010. Construction is scheduled to be complete in December 2011 with final occupancy anticipated for June 2012.

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PRESS RELEASE

ACCESS CORTE MADERA TOWN HALL 24/7

Is there a pothole that needs fixing? Have a question concerning the need for a building permit? Want to find out about that dancing class you have always wanted to take? Or do you want to say thank you to a staff member for a job well done? You can now reach Corte Madera Town Hall 24/7 by using **“Access Town Hall”** on the Town of Corte Madera’s website.

The Town of Corte Madera had implemented a new on-line service in order to improve customer service and help staff work more efficiently. The town has contracted with Comcate, Inc. a San Francisco-based firm to use its service-request tracking software. This software will provide staff with a way to receive, sort and track resident requests and/or complaints through all city departments in the hopes of making the local government more responsive to its population and customers. This service, called **“Access Town Hall”**, allows customers to submit requests, complaints, or suggestions 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The customer and staff can then track the status of all requests whether they are received via email, phone or mail.

For instance, a resident sends an e-mail to one of the town’s departments with either a question, comment, complaint, or a request. Once received by town staff appropriate action can be taken. In the meantime the town manager can check the status of the request, when action was taken, and how responsive the department was.

The Town is debuting the system on its website, www.ci.corte-madera.ca.us just look for the waving flag!

Contact: Christine Green, CMC
Assistant to the Town Manager/
Town Clerk

Dated: August 24, 2005