



City Council Reduces Utility Rates, Approves FY2022 Budget

City Council approved a balanced budget for Fiscal Year 2022 during its May 25, 2021 Meeting. One of the biggest highlights for residents was that Council approved reductions to the City's electric rate by 3-percent and water service fees by ten dollars.

"These reductions come after a great deal of analysis over the past two years," said Boulder City Mayor Kiernan McManus. "I appreciate the hard work and recommendations by the Utility Advisory Committee. I believe these reductions will especially benefit seniors living on fixed incomes within our community."

The \$46.8 million budget covers sixteen governmental funds, including three proprietary funds with estimated operating expenses of \$28.5 million; capital improvements of nearly \$8 million; and debt principal of \$4.1 million. Public Safety (Police and Fire) continues to be the primary focus of the City's annual budget, amounting to 35% of all expenditures.

City Council held Special Meetings and a Citizen workshop to present the budget in February and March 2021. Boulder City continues to be one of the lowest taxing communities in the state of Nevada, and is the lowest taxing city in Clark County.



Annual Water Quality Consumer Confidence Report Now Available!

The City of Boulder City believes it is essential to provide all the facts about Southern Nevada's drinking water to our customers. The annual Water Quality Consumer Confidence Report includes test results, a source water analysis, an overview of the treatment process and other valuable information relating to the quality of our municipal water supply. The 2021 Report is published in accordance with the federal Safe Drinking Water Act, which establishes drinking water standards and requires purveyors to provide water quality information to their customers.

Drinking water sources include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals, and in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances from animal or human activity. This water may contain small amounts of some contaminants but does not pose a health risk. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations limit the amount of certain contaminants in public water systems. Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons should seek advice from their healthcare providers about drinking water.

In 2020, 13 regulated contaminants were detected in Boulder City's drinking water. These contaminants were all at allowable levels based on the Safe Drinking Water Act standards; no health violations were reported. Additionally, three unregulated contaminants were detected. Unregulated contaminant monitoring helps the EPA determine where certain contaminants occur and whether these contaminants should be regulated in the future.

Some customers choose to purchase water filtration devices to improve the aesthetics of their home drinking water. **All home water treatment devices require periodic maintenance.** The majority of water quality complaints received by the City are due to private equipment and private plumbing. Learn more about home water treatment at www.snwa.com/water-quality/taste/home-treatment-systems.html.

Please visit www.bcnv.org/280/Water-Quality-Consumer-Confidence-Report to view the complete 2021 Report and learn more about your drinking water. **If you would like a paper copy mailed to your home, please email utilities@bcnv.org with subject line "2021 CCR Request" or call (702) 293-9200.**

Utility Late Fees, Disconnect Processes Resume



On July 1, 2021, the City resumed charging late fees and disconnection processes for non-payment or late payments. Late fees are 5% of any unpaid balance on a bill. Customers will be charged a \$60 reconnection fee for service restoration in addition to past due balances. Reconnection of services can take up to 24 hours. Failure to make payment arrangements or to comply with the terms of the arrangement will result in disconnection of services and all past due amounts must be paid. If you fail to meet the terms of a payment arrangement, you will not be allowed to make future arrangements for six months.

The City Council earmarked CARES Act funds for Emergency Aid of Boulder City (EABC) to pay for utilities. City staff have directed customers with overdue bills to contact EABC for help. Some grants will expire soon, so now is the time to take advantage. Call 702.293.0332 or visit www.eabcnv.com for more information.

Additional resources for those struggling financially:

- Emergency Aid of Boulder City (utility and rent assistance): www.eabcnv.com or 702.293.0332
- Senior Center of Boulder City: www.seniorcenterbouldercity.org or 702.293.3320
- Lend A Hand Senior Services: www.lendahandbouldercity.org or 702.294.2363
- Vaccinations through BC Hospital: www.BCHcares.org/covid-vax (by appointment)
- Clark County “Royal Pages” senior resource guide: www.bcnv.org/royalpages
- Rental guidance: www.civillawselfhelpcenter.org or 702.671.3976

Beat the Heat with these Energy-Saving Tips!

The summer months are here, which means increased power usage. Here are some handy tips and tricks available to help off-set increased energy use and keep some money in your pocket!

- Turn off lights and appliances when not in use, including the computer!
- Vacuum refrigerator coils to improve air-flow.
- Close doors to rooms that are not being used.
- Weather-strip door and caulk windows.
- Do not turn off your air conditioner in the hot months when you are not home.
- Use room fans to reduce the feeling of heat and to circulate air.
- Have annual air conditioner and heating system service.
- Test and seal ductwork.
- Use window screens or window films to reduce heat from entering the home.



More tips and tricks can be found on the City’s website at:

www.bcnv.org/DocumentCenter/View/657/Conservation-Tips-PDF