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**Subject: Formal Protest – Sewer Rate Increase**

Dear Bakersfield City Council,

I am writing in protest of the proposed sewer rate increase from $239 to $950. I understand the need for infrastructure investment, but a jump of this size—with no phase-in—puts immediate and avoidable stress on residents.

Other cities have introduced smaller, gradual increases over time. Why has Bakersfield chosen to implement this all at once?

A more responsible approach would give families time to plan, ask questions, and prepare for changes. I ask that you reconsider the timeline and structure of this proposal in favor of something more sustainable and fair.

Sincerely,

Signature of owner or authorized representative: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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