



# City of Basehor

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## PRESS RELEASE

### Sanitary Sewer and Solid Waste Utility Rates

This notice is to inform all residents and businesses of upcoming changes to sewer and solid waste utility rates effective January 1, 2023.

The Governing Body of the City of Basehor authorized an independent audit of the billing rates and processes of its sanitary sewer system in January of 2022. The purpose of the audit was to ensure Basehor was following best practices as it relates to billing processes and rate structures in order to support a well-maintained sewer infrastructure.

Effective January 1, 2023, all sewer utility accounts will be billed a fixed monthly fee based on the size of the account's water meter. In addition to the base charge, all customers will be charged a flow rate based on the average water consumption of the preceding December, January, and February months. The fixed monthly fee will increase modestly over the next three years. The flow charge will increase on an annual basis by a small percentage consistent with previous billing practices.

In addition to reviewing the sewer rates and billing process, the City also reviewed the solid waste rate structure. Effective January 1, 2023, all solid waste accounts will increase by \$1.00. This fee will increase by 2.5% annually thereafter.

All residents and businesses were mailed a letter including detailed information on what each account holder can expect after January 1, 2023 as it relates to their monthly billing.

All sewer customers have the right to request a reevaluation. If a sewer customer would like to request a reevaluation, they can email City staff at [info@cityofbasehor.org](mailto:info@cityofbasehor.org). Please include the name, account number, and service address in the email. Sewer customers can also request a reevaluation by phone at 913-724-1370. Requests by email are preferred.