

RESOLUTION No. 2015-2

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF LA JARA

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF LA JARA ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS WATER AND SEWER ENTERPRISE SETTING FORTH AN INCREASE IN WATER AND SEWER RATES TO TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE THEREOF.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Town of La Jara is authorized by law to charge reasonable rates for water and or sewer services, and

WHEREAS, the board of Trustees of the Town of La Jara is empowered by ORDINANCE NO. 2006-2 to make changes in rates for water and or sewer services by a resolution duly adopted and approved by the Board of Trustees, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Town of La Jara in the County of Conejos and State of Colorado, a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, finds and determines that in order to qualify for a loan and or grants from the United States Department of Agriculture and/or the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority (hereinafter, the "Authority") in order to repair or construct or upgrade its sewer infrastructure, there must first be an increase in the present water and sewer rates now being charged to all users of the Town's sewer services, and

WHEREAS, the Authority has approved the Town for a \$650,000 principal forgiveness loan through the Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund administered by said agency, provided that certain conditions first be attained, and

WHEREAS, as a condition of the granting of a principal forgiveness loan, the agency is requiring that the Town must first increase its water and sewer rates to such an amount that will reasonably generate the necessary revenues on an annual basis sufficient in amount for loan servicing if such should become necessary, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees now finds it necessary and appropriate for the reasons aforesaid to increase the water and sewer rates to be levied in the future as hereinafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Town of La Jara, Colorado, as follows:

1. That the water and sewer rates for all users, whether within or without the incorporated limits of the Town of La Jara, be, and the same shall be increased in accordance with schedule of rates as follows:

Water Rates

	Current Base Rate	Current Usage Rate p/1,000 gallons	Proposed Base Rate Per EQR	Proposed Usage Rate p/1,000 gallons
Residential In Town	\$8.00	\$0.70	\$15.00	\$0.90
Residential Out of Town	\$14.00	\$1.20	\$26.25	\$1.58
Commercial In Town	\$20.00	\$1.20	\$27.00	\$1.40
Commercial Out of Town	\$36.00	\$1.20	\$48.25	\$1.58

**Sewer Rates**

	Current Rate	Proposed Rate Per EQR
Residential In Town	\$24.95	\$27.00
Residential Out of Town	\$29.95	\$47.25
Commercial In Town	\$33.20	\$34.95
Commercial Out of Town	\$47.40	\$60.95

2. That such increase in water and sewer rates shall become effective as of April 1, 2015, and shall be effective for all months subsequent thereto until further revisions as the Board of Trustees may then determine.
  
3. That the La Jara Town Clerk and the La Jara Town Manager be, and they are hereby, authorized to notify all users of the Town's water and sewer services of such rate increases in such form and manner as the Board of Trustees may direct and authorize upon the passage of this Resolution.

**INTRODUCED, READ, AND PASSED AS A RESOLUTION** at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Town of La Jara held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015, at which a quorum was present.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
TOWN OF LA JARA

  
Larry Zaragoza, Mayor



(SEAL)

  
Shawn Pagnotta, La Jara Town Clerk