

Commission to Hold Public Hearing May 7 on Proposed Water/Sewer Rate Increase

The Fulton County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 7, 2008, at 10 a.m. in Government Center Assembly Hall at 141 Pryor Street in Atlanta.

The hearing will address a proposal to increase water and sewer rates by 15 percent. The proposed increase would be effective June 1, 2008.

Under the proposed increase, a residential customer of the Fulton County Department of Public Works who uses 7,000 gallons per month would pay an additional \$8.90 per month.

The rate increase is necessary because of the recent order by Governor Sonny Perdue and Georgia Environmental Protection Director Dr. Carol Couch, which requires a 10 percent reduction of water usage. The rate increase is necessary for the County to generate sufficient net revenues to cover the required bonded debt service as set forth in the rate covenant of the water and sewerage bond.

The public hearing will be a part of the regular Commission meeting agenda beginning at 10 a.m. Any customers or interested persons may appear and make comments before the Board at the time specified above.

For additional information, contact Angela Parker, Director of Public Works, at 404-612-8102.