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September 17, 2024

Richland Township Municipal Authority  
Attn: Jason Dailey – Interim Director  
2012 Kramer Road  
Gibsonia, PA 15044

Re: Water Rate Increase – Effective January 1, 2025

Dear Mr. Dailey,

Please find enclosed the Cost-of-Service Study recently completed by the West View Water Authority’s rate consultant, Shambaugh Utility Consulting, LLC. This study demonstrates that a rate increase is necessary. In keeping with its commitment to public health and system reliability, The West View Water Authority Board of Directors has approved a rate increase to both our minimum charge and volume consumption charges. The overall rate will increase by 4.1 percent.

Our Board of Directors has authorized the rate increase to become effective on January 1, 2025. The Authority has not increased rates since 2018. Our Agreement with your municipal entity requires that West View Water Authority provide a ninety (90) day notice to you of a rate increase.

The cost of water will increase to \$7.22 per 1,000 gallons, which does not include the meter charge. Considering the basic meter charge the equivalent rate per 1,000 gallons would be \$9.44, which is below average in comparison to other water providers in our area. (see attached sheet for regional rate comparison).

The West View Water Authority has taken steps to hold its costs down and improve efficiency. These steps include:

- A tank maintenance program where we take each tank out of service, one at a time, to thoroughly refurbish them. This will extend their useful life and allow us to avoid having to replace them for a longer period.
- In the last two years, West View Water has secured grants totaling more than \$13 million that have helped defray costs of water line extensions, intake/treatment facility and road improvements, and lead service line replacements.

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Clean, safe water is essential for any community. We believe the investments we are making will help support property values, make this region a more attractive place to do business and enhance the quality of life.

If you or any of your representatives have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact my office at the above telephone number or email to [rchristian@westviewwater.org](mailto:rchristian@westviewwater.org)

Sincerely,

**Robert J. Christian**  
Executive Director

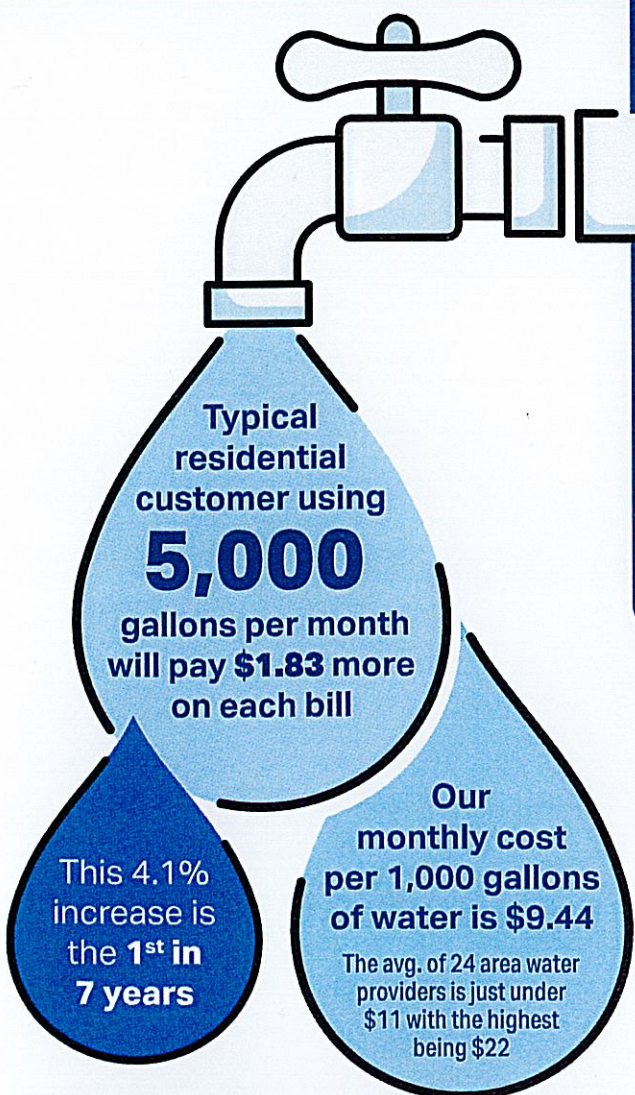
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## Water Rate Increase to Take Effect

# January 1, 2025

As we have notified you before, after a recent Cost of Service Study, West View Water Authority finds it necessary to raise our rates for the first time since 2018. We want to provide the details as to why this is necessary and what it means for our water rate payers.



Typical residential customer using **5,000** gallons per month will pay **\$1.83** more on each bill

This 4.1% increase is the **1<sup>st</sup>** in **7 years**

Our monthly cost per 1,000 gallons of water is **\$9.44**

The avg. of 24 area water providers is just under \$11 with the highest being \$22

We believe that our strong financial stewardship has allowed us to keep rates constant for the past several years while costs of our operations have continually increased.

Helping to keep our rates low is our tank-maintenance program, where we take each tank out of service, one at a time, to thoroughly refurbish them. This extends their useful life and allows us to avoid having to replace them for a longer period. We have also secured more than \$13 million in grants in the last two years which has helped us to offset higher costs of operations.

The increased rate taking effect in 2025 is necessary to continue our commitment to providing clean, safe water while investing in our infrastructure to ensure continued reliability. The increase is small and in line with other water authorities in the region.



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<b>WATER RATE</b>	Equivalent rate per 1,000 Gallons
Aqua Pennsylvania, Inc., Main Division	\$22.13
Pennsylvania-American Water Company	\$19.61
Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority	\$19.41
Coraopolis Water & Sewer Authority	\$14.00
Fox Chapel Authority	\$12.95
Edgeworth Borough Municipal Authority	\$12.55
Westmoreland County Municipal Authority	\$12.09
Wilkinsburg-Penn Joint Water Authority	\$10.24
Harmar Township Municipal Authority	\$10.10
Findlay Township Water Authority	\$9.88
Harrison Township Municipal Authority	\$9.68
<b>West View Water Authority</b>	<b>\$9.44</b>
Oakmont Municipal Authority	\$9.30
Southwestern Pennsylvania Water Authority	\$9.25
Charleroi Water Authority	\$9.08
Western Allegheny County Authority	\$8.33
Plum Borough Municipal Authority	\$8.27
Harmony Township	\$7.78
Economy & Bell Acres Boroughs	\$7.68
Hampton Shaler Water Authority	\$7.60
Ambridge Borough	\$7.58
Robinson Township Municipal Authority	\$7.45
Moon Township Municipal Authority	\$6.55
Monroeville Water Authority	\$5.73

**Average**

**\$10.69**

