

**COMPARISON OF CURRENT
WATER & SEWER RATE SETTING
TO PROPOSED
INDEPENDENT UTILITY COMMISSION**

| Current Process | Proposed Process |
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| <p>Water and Sewer Bureaus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Develop budget and rate requests with input from Budget Advisory Committees and Portland Utility Review Board. . Submit requested budgets to the Mayor, at the direction of the Commissioner-in-Charge. <p>Mayor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Conduct public budget forums and Council work sessions to review budget requests. Include reviews by Financial Planning Division and Portland Utility Review Board. . Set proposed budgets. <p>Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Conduct public hearings on proposed utility budgets and rates. . Adopt final utility budgets and rates. | <p>Water and Sewer Bureaus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Develop budgets with input from Budget Advisory Committees and Portland Utility Review Board. . Submit requested budgets and rates to Independent Utility Commission, at the direction of the Commissioner-in-Charge. <p>Independent Utility Commission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Review requested budgets with the assistance of its professional staff. . Hold public hearings on the requested rates and budgets. . Set proposed budgets and rates. <p>Auditor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Submit proposed utility budgets and rates to Council. <p>Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Conduct public hearings on proposed utility budgets and rates. . Adopt final utility budgets and rates. |

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