



Metropolitan Council Committee Discusses Local Sewer Rate Trends

The Metropolitan Council's Environment Committee recently heard a presentation by Council staff on local and national sewer rate trends. The information is gathered via survey. Locally, the survey is conducted in even years and focuses on sewer charges to single-family homes. The survey showed that on average, the region's households have experienced a 3.3% increase in sewer charges. The survey showed a national average increase of 4.9%. MCES rates are typically lower compared to peer averages. The annual MCES average retail charge is \$274 per year, with the peer average at \$468 per year. This ranked MCES fourth out of 23 peer regions.

For more information, click [here](#).

Metro Regional Meeting/Metro Cities Policy Adoption Meeting

Join your colleagues for the LMC Metro Regional Meeting and Policy Adoption Meeting on November 29th, 2018 at Brookview in Golden Valley!

The cities of Minnetonka, Eagan, and Prior Lake will discuss their strategies for community engagement. LMC and LMCIT staff will present on conflict in local government and how to work together for more effective governing and problem-solving. Metro Cities membership will also meet to approve the 2019 Legislative Policies for Metro Cities staff to use going into the 2019 legislative session. **A membership quorum is required for policy adoption, so each member city should make sure to send a representative!** The event will end with a great networking social hour.

Click [here](#) for more information and to register. We look forward to seeing you there!

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