The increase in the budget of 13 percent is attributable to an increase in the regional wholesale rates for water and for wastewater treatment of 9 percent, an increase in contributions to reserves for the maintenance of underground infrastructure and an increase in forecasted volume sales of 4.5 percent. This is the first year since 2014 where an increased sales volume is being included, due to growth outpacing conservation.

## 2017 Water, Wastewater & Storm Water Rates

The following rates have been calculated to recover the estimated required revenues based on the estimated volumes of water flow.

Table 1

Rate	2016 Rate	2017 Proposed Per cu.m.	Change (%)
Retail Water Rate			
Wholesale Cost	\$1.11	\$1.21	
Operating Costs	\$1.03	<mark>\$1.08</mark>	
Total Retail Water Rate	\$2.14	\$2.29	7.0%
Retail Wasterwater Rate			
Wholesale Cost	\$1.26	\$1.37	
Operating Costs	\$0.63	\$0.67	
Total Retail Wastewater Rate	\$1.89	\$2.04	7.9%
Combined Water & Wastewater Rate/Bulk Water	\$4.03	\$4.33	7.4%
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Stormwater Flat Rate			
Residential/year	\$60.14	\$60.14	nil
Residential/month	\$5.01	\$5.01	
Non-Residential/year	\$763.57	\$763.57	nil
Non-Residential/month	\$63.63	\$63.63	

## **Advisory Committee Review**

Not applicable