

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Hearing for Town of Stuart - Fiscal Year 2027 Utility Rates

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 15.2-2506 of the Code of Virginia, that the Town of Stuart will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 6:00 PM** in the Council Chambers of the Stuart Town Office, located at 100 Patrick Avenue, to solicit public input on proposed changes to water, sewer, and sanitation utility rates in support of the Fiscal Year 2027 Annual Budget. The proposed rates are presented below. For additional information, please contact Bryce Simmons, Town Manager at 276-694-3811. Comments can be submitted in writing to the Town of Stuart at PO Box 422, Stuart, VA 24171 or information@stuartva.org until **Friday, June 12, 2026, at 4:00 PM**. If you plan to attend and have any special needs requirements, please call the number listed above.

If approved by Town Council following the public hearing, the rates shown below will take effect **July 1, 2026**.

Water Rates

Rate Class	Current Base	Proposed Base	Current /1,000 gal	Proposed /1,000 gal
In-Town Residential	\$21.11	\$22.50	\$4.22	\$5.75
Out-of-Town Residential	\$30.13	\$35.00	\$5.85	\$6.00
In-Town Commercial	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$4.22	\$6.28
Out-of-Town Commercial	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$4.22	\$6.28

Base rate includes the first 2,000 gallons of water consumed per month; usage above 2,000 gallons is billed at the per-1,000-gallon rate.

Sewer Rates

Rate Class	Current Base	Proposed Base	Current/1,000 gal	Proposed/1,000 gal
In-Town Residential	\$21.11	\$22.50	\$5.58	\$7.50
Out-of-Town Residential	\$30.13	\$35.00	\$5.58	\$8.00
In-Town Commercial	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$5.58	\$8.50
Out-of-Town Commercial	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$5.58	\$8.50
Industrial (Flat - United Elastic)	\$3,250/mo	\$3,250/mo	N/A	N/A

Base rate includes the first 2,000 gallons of metered water consumption per month; usage above 2,000 gallons is billed at the per-1,000-gallon rate.

Sanitation (Garbage) Rates

Service Tier	Current Monthly	Proposed Monthly
Residential	\$11.04	\$20.00
Small Commercial	\$20.14	\$40.00
6-yard Dumpster - 1x per week	\$138.01	\$155.00
6-yard Dumpster - 2x per week	\$276.02	\$310.00
6-yard Dumpster - 4x per week	\$552.04	\$620.00
Other Dumpster Tiers	varies	+12.3% from current

Notes

Rate Caps. Water and sewer per-1,000-gallon usage rates are capped at the Patrick County Public Service Authority wholesale rate (\$6.28 per 1,000 gallons for water, \$8.52 per 1,000 gallons for sewer).

6-yard Dumpster Cap. The proposed monthly rate for 6-yard dumpster service at one pickup per week is capped at \$155.00.

Effective Date. If approved by Town Council, the rates shown above will take effect July 1, 2026 and will appear on utility bills issued on or after that date.

Public Comment. All interested citizens are invited to attend the public hearing and to be heard. Written comments may also be submitted to the Town Manager in advance of the hearing at the contact information listed above.