NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Town of Upton, Wyoming, will conduct a public meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, October 13, 2023 in the City Council Chambers at 725 2nd Street (Pine Street entrance) The purpose of the meeting is to allow citizens to review and comment on the following projects:

Colorado Avenue Drinking Water Replacement

The project will replace aging water mains and services along Colorado Avenue between Sheridan and Kellogg Streets. Water mains in this area are asbestos-cement (AC) pipelines and service piping is a mixture of flexible copper, poly and PVC. AC pipelines throughout the town have become a significant maintenance and upkeep problem for the town, showing evidence of having exceeded their serviceable life.

This payment equates to approximately \$1.28 per user, per month in addition to the current debt service rate for water users of \$7.19.

Colorado Avenue Clean Water Replacement

The project will replace aging sewer mains and services along Colorado Avenue between Sheridan Street and the city park picnic shelter. Existing sewer mains in this area are clay tile, and service piping is a mixture of clay tile, Orangeburg and PVC pipe. Root incursions, structural failures of the pipe and groundwater infiltration are prevalent. Existing manholes have improperly-constructed inverts and pipe inlet/outlets, and allow a significant amount of groundwater into the sewer collection system.

This payment equates to approximately \$0.72 per user, per month in addition to the current debt service rate for sewer users of \$1.70.

Phase I, II & III Drinking Water Replacements

This payment equates to approximately \$17.98 per user, per month in addition to the current debt service rate of \$7.19. With the Colorado Avenue debt service taken into account, the total debt service would increase to approximately \$26.45.

(Phase I: 6th Avenue, Birch Street, East Hwy 16)

(Phase II: Water Transmission, Wyoming-Montana)

(Phase III: First Street, Whitetail-Redwood)

Phase I, II & III Clean Water Replacements

This payment equates to approximately \$14.47 per user, per month in addition to the current debt service rate of \$6.89. With the Colorado Avenue debt service taken into account, the total debt service would increase to approximately \$16.90.

(Phase I: 6th Avenue, Birch Street, East Hwy 16)

(Phase II: Water Transmission, Wyoming-Montana)

(Phase III: First Street, Whitetail-Redwood)

The phased project will replace aging water and sewer mains and services along several streets. Water mains in this area are asbestos-cement (AC) pipelines and service piping is a mixture of flexible copper, poly and PVC. AC pipelines throughout the town have become a significant maintenance and upkeep problem for the town, showing evidence of having exceeded their

serviceable life. Existing sewer mains in this area are clay tile or PVC, and service piping is a mixture of clay tile, Orangeburg and PVC pipe. Sewer video shows that PVC sewer mains were installed without proper pipe bedding, lying directly on a hard rock trench bottom as evidenced by deformation of the pipe invert caused by rocks or rock ledges pressing directly on the pipe. Root incursions, structural failures of the pipe and groundwater infiltration are prevalent. Existing manholes have improperly-constructed inverts and pipe inlet/outlets, and allow a significant amount of groundwater into the sewer collection system.

A preliminary plan of improvements, cost estimates, and the funding plan can also be reviewed at city hall or www.townofupton.com. Contact Mark Lindstrom or Kelley Millar at 307-468-2441.

Based on current cost estimates, the Town of Upton plans to borrow \$4,326,250.00 from the Wyoming Clean Water and \$5,494,389.00 amount from the Wyoming Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund administered by the Wyoming Office of State Lands and Investments. The Town is currently eligible for 50% principal forgiveness that will result in Clean Water Loan amounts of \$2,163,125.00 and Drinking Water Loan amounts of \$2,747,194.50. Increased user fees will repay the loan. Loan terms are expected to be 30 years at an interest rate of 1.5%. The average rate increase is estimated to be \$15.19/month per user for sewer and \$19.26/month per user for water to repay the loans.

Written comments are also welcome. Send written comments to Town of Upton, PO Box 203, Upton, WY 82730 or uptonwy@townofupton.com by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 13, 2023.

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