City of Davis
Formation of a Utility Rate Advisory Committee

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<td>Purpose</td>
<td>Serve as an advisory body providing advice and recommendations to the Mayor and City Council on the city’s utility service rates</td>
<td>Develop, implement, and complete a community outreach and education program that includes a 5-year utility rate structure plan and a formation plan and timeline for a special utility district to include all City utilities</td>
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| Task          | 1. Review and comment on changes to utility service  
2. Develop and provide recommendations to CC on utility rates  
3. Conduct Prop 218 hearings | 1. Seek customer input and participation with regards to future rates,  
2. Allow for employee input participation and  
3. Recommend steps to financial management of the utility enterprise funds |
| Membership    | 1. Must be City residents; cannot be City employee or elected official  
2. Five (5) members with expertise in one or more of the following areas: Accounting, auditing, construction management, engineering, finance, law, sewage collection & treatment, solid waste collection & disposal, stormwater collection & conveyance, water quality or water supply & distribution  
1. Two (2) at large  
2. Representation from: single family; multi-family; commercial; and industrial | 11 members; four (4) appointed by the mayor & one (1) appointed by each Councilmember |
<p>| Terms         | 2 year terms not to exceed 3 consecutive terms | Commission forms as needed. Disbanded in 2011 following submittal of Rate Program |</p>
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| **Purpose**         | The public utilities commission shall study and advise the city council regarding any cable television franchise and all utilities owned or operated by the city, including, but not limited to, electrical, water, sewer, and refuse. | The purpose of the committee is to:  
• Increase public participation in the functions of city government  
• Act as form of public input and feedback on issues related to current and planned water system improvements  
• Advise the City on potential challenges and opportunities related to future rate increases  
• Promote communitywide education and awareness of water system issues and projects |

| **Task** | 1. Advise the city council regarding planning, rates, public information, and other matters relating to such enterprises, and may hear citizen complaints as to operation or rates.  
2. Advise the city council regarding the activities of such joint powers agencies as the city may be a member or which relate to said enterprises (including the Northern California Power Agency, the Transmission Agency of Northern California, the South Placer Wastewater Authority, the Regional Water Authority and the Western Placer Waste Management Authority). | 1. Receive information from staff, Council, and the public, yet act independently to develop advisory comments, suggestions, and plans to assist the City in moving forward to develop community awareness about infrastructure improvements and long-term water quality, supply, and reliability issues.  
2. Advise the City on issues from the community’s perspective.  
3. Provide input and feedback on City budget issues, especially as it relates to funding priorities. |

| **Inception** | 1985 Municipal Code | 2010 City Council Staff Report |

| **Membership** | 1. Must be City residents  
2. Seven (7) members appointed by the city council | Maximum 25  
Maximum 18 single family residential (Single Family Residential) property owners (2 each from 9 geographic areas)  
Maximum 2 renters (area-wide)  
Maximum 1 multi-family residential (area-wide)  
Maximum 2 small business (area-wide)  
Maximum 2 commercial (area-wide) |

| **Terms** | 4 year terms overlapping terms not to exceed 2 consecutive terms |  |