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**Public Safety Fee**

On June 17, the City Council held a public hearing on Ordinance 2019-12, establishing a monthly public safety fee to support increased policing services within the City of Sandy. The fee supports the hiring of additional police officers in the City of Sandy to increase police protection, crime prevention, and traffic enforcement. The fee will immediately support the hiring of a new patrol officer as well as a police lieutenant position that will allow for more essential public safety services such as traffic enforcement and incident response. The fee is 4.50 per unit for residential and 10.50 per unit for commercial and industrial, and will first be seen on your September 2019 utility bill.

For additional information related to the Public Safety Fee, please visit:

<https://www.ci.sandy.or.us/public-safety-fee>

**Smoke Testing of Sewer Lines to Begin**

City crews will start smoke testing sewer lines in two drainage basins this month. One basin is west of 362<sup>nd</sup> south of Hwy 26 and north of Tickle Creek. The other basin is east of Beers Ave. south of Proctor Blvd. and north of Gary St.

This work will help us find cross-connections or leaks in our sewer pipes that allow rainwater in - overwhelming our sewage treatment plant during the winter. A non-toxic, odorless white "smoke" is blown into sewer lines through manholes in the street or in easements. If the smoke comes out of the ground, a gutter, downspout or street drain it is an indication of a leak or connection between the storm drainage system and the sewer system. These leaks and connections allow rainwater to flow to our treatment plant which does not have the capacity to treat rainwater and sewage.

If we find improper connections in the street from a catch basin the City prioritizes this area for repairs. If an improper connection is found on private property the property owner will be given a reasonable amount of time to correct the problem. Please email [utilities@ci.sandy.or.us](mailto:utilities@ci.sandy.or.us) if you have any questions about this program or need more information.

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