## HEBER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT REPORT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**MEETING DATE:** February 16, 2022

**FROM:** Madeline Dessert, General Manager

**SUBJECT:** Update on the Proposition 218 Process for Solid Waste Collection Rates. Public Hearing on March 16, 2023 for the Heber PUD's Consideration of the Proposed Rate Schedule

**ISSUE:** Information Only

## DISCUSSION:

In compliance with Proposition 218, the Heber Public Utility District mailed out a notice of Public Hearing and proposed increases to the HPUD residential, multi-family, commercial, industrial and roll-off solid waste service rates.

Notice was mailed to 1,712 land owners and tenants on January 27, 2023. This date fell will within the 45-day notice requirement.

As of February 10, 2023, the HPUD had received 11 protests.

While public comment is allowed and welcomed at the public hearing, protests must be made in writing in order to county towards the 50% + 1 requirement.

The Board requested staff look into hiring an interpreter for the Public Hearing. The GM has acquired a quote for \$65/hour.

## **Direction to Staff:**

Move forward with hiring interpreter for March 16<sup>th</sup> Public Hearing at rate of \$65/hour.

## Alternative:

Utilize fully bilingual HPUD staff for interesting services at no additional cost to the district.