

Dec 7, 2018

Subject: South Tahoe Refuse Rate Increase / BOS Meetings affecting So Tahoe Residents

El Dorado County Supervisors, Lori Parlin District 4 Elected,

This letter is in regards to the 6.19% Rate Increase proposed by the South Tahoe Refuse Company, and the Board of Supervisors meeting scheduled for Dec 11, 2018 in Placerville.

A few months ago I appeared before the South Tahoe Public Utility District Board to suggest their rate increase review needed to include consideration for the fact that the recent explosion of Vacation Home Rentals in our residential neighborhoods needed recognition of the fact that;

(1) These homes are by all definition “commercial businesses” and need to be considered differently for service rates from genuinely zone conforming single family dwellings (regular full time residents and families).

(2) Any future rate increases for the STPUD’s customers need to be separated for Vacation Rentals paying significantly more of the rate increase because of their usage and impact on the sewer and water infrastructure and system.

Basically I suggested that (zone conforming) single family dwelling property owners do not want to be literally subsidizing these non-conforming mini-hotels operating in our neighborhoods when their usage has and is greatly impacting our utilities and infrastructures.

This message is the same for the rate increase proposed by the South Tahoe Refuse Co.

We (single family dwelling - zone conforming residents) feel any proposed rate increase for residential (SFD) Zoned properties need to separately service rated from Vacation Rentals “commercial businesses”.

In addition to this inequity described above – many of us feel very strongly that ALL Board of Supervisors approval meetings affecting South Tahoe Residents ALWAYS be held here at South Lake Tahoe to fairly allow local residents the opportunity to conveniently attend these meetings. These Placerville BOS Meetings for votes affecting us at on the East Slope needs to be permanently halted and never again scheduled to take place in Placerville.

Sincerely, John Adamski – Tahoe Paradise/ South Lake Tahoe Resident