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TO: Honorable Members of the Los Angeles City Council

RE: CF 23-0600-S9 2023 Budget Recommendation / Sanitation / Fee Study /
Preserve Operations

The Los Angeles Professional Managers' Association (LAPMA) is writing this letter in support of LA Sanitation and Environment's (LASAN) proposed Sewer Service Charge Rate Adjustment.

LAPMA is aware of the enormous size of the wastewater system that LASAN manages everyday. The system contains four state of the art treatment facilities and nearly 6,700 miles of sanitary sewer pipe. There are also over 60 lift stations that are managed within the collection system. There are numerous members of LAPMA tasked with the responsibility of managing these facilities and pipes.

Maintaining a system of this size requires continuous repair and maintenance and ultimately capital improvement projects that will cost billions of dollars. This is needed to ensure the safety of the public and the employees. LASAN has a proven track record of protecting the environment through their management of these systems.

This rate increase will allow LASAN to continue to be that environmental steward. This will also allow LASAN to increase environmental monitoring, update aging infrastructure, expand beneficial reuse of resources, construct new facilities and improve water quality.

LAPMA understands that rate increases are always difficult but delaying this could have serious consequences.

Los Angeles Professional Managers' Association is in full support of LASAN's proposed Sewer Service Charge rate increase.

Respectfully,

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