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Please see my responses below.

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Public Records Request. The due date is **March 20, 2017**. Thanks!

Request #20022

I want a full report on the City of Oakland Sewer Service Charge starting in 2013 to present. I am asking for the following information:

1) Total collected fee for each of the year (2013 to Present)

The information is available in all archived reports of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) <http://www.oaklandnet.com/government/fwaweb site/accounting/CAFR.htm>

2) Expense report showing how the fund was been utilized

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3) What projects have been done with these collected fees?

Projects have been and will continue to be reported to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on an annual basis. The reports are available in the City's web page: <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/government/o/PWA/s/Sewer/ConsentDecree/index.htm>

Oakland has committed to the following project deliverables, many of which were already in place, and will be assessed and monitored over the 22-year period of the agreement:

- Rehabilitate 13 miles of sewer pipes per year
- Clean the entire sewer system by 2018 and 140 miles per year thereafter

- Inspect 92 miles of sewer pipes per year
- Treat (by root foaming) 50 miles of sewer pipes per year
- Renovate all seven sewer pump stations by 2022
- Eliminate high priority storm water inflow sources within two years wherever found
- Inspect and clean sewer hot spots annually
- Require Private Sewer Lateral (PSL) rehabilitation (initiated in 2012)
- Report defective sewer laterals owned by local, state or federal entities to EPA
- Rehabilitate sewer laterals owned by the City within 10 years at targeted locations
- Notify owners of private-property defective sewer laterals within 90 days
- Enforce repairs on high priority defective sewer laterals
- Assist EBMUD in development of sewer lateral education program
- Formalize the previously implemented fat, oil, and grease control (FOG) program

4) Legality that gives the City the authority to continue to raise the fee?

An Ordinance amending Chapter 13 of the Oakland Municipal Code (Section 13.04.020) increasing the sewer service charge and providing for annual increase of sixteen percent through January 1, 2013 and increases based on the consumer price index thereafter was passed in July of 2010. See attached resolution.

5) Report on how this have help each property owner since the City started collecting these fee

The Sewer Service Charge pays for long-range maintenance and rehabilitation programs to eliminate overflows, meet regulatory requirements, and help convey sewage from each property owner connected to the City's sanitary sewer collection system.

6) Why does this collected fee not help support property owners with their sewer lateral fee?

The property owner shall be responsible for inspecting building sewers, obtaining all required permits, performing all necessary building sewer repair or replacement, scheduling inspections with EBMUD, passing a verification test witnessed by EBMUD, obtaining and filing with the City a compliance certificate from EBMUD as set forth in the EBMUD Regional PSL Ordinance for the entire building sewer (upper building sewer lateral and lower building sewer lateral). All permit related fees are the property owner's responsibility.

Requester's name: Michael Tang and phone number: Not provided

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