

VOTE YES ON THE MANVILLE SEWER SALE

WHY IS THIS REFERENDUM SO CRITICAL TO MANVILLE?

Operation of the Manville sewer system is a significant expense for the Borough. Much of the system is at least 80 years old and in need of repair. Sale of the sewer system will allow the Borough and its customers to avoid such costs, while securing a \$6.5 million payment from New Jersey American Water that the Borough could use to pay off all debt and stabilize property taxes.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF VOTING YES ON THE MANVILLE SEWER SALE?

INVESTING IN MANVILLE

New Jersey American Water is committed to investing \$16.5 million in Manville if voters approve the sale:

- \$6.5 million purchase price to pay off all municipal debt and stabilize property taxes
- \$10 million investment into upgrading and repairing Manville's 80-year-old sewer system in the first ten years of ownership

STABILIZING RATES

Customers will experience increased rate stability and predictability under New Jersey American Water than if the Borough retained ownership.

- Seven-year rate schedule upon taking ownership with rates held steady the first year
- Modest increases in years 2-7
- Long-term rate stability, saving Manville customers between \$8,000-\$10,000 over 20 years

UPGRADING AGING INFRASTRUCTURE & STRENGTHENING AGAINST FLOODING

Parts of Manville's sewer system are more than 80 years old and have reached the end of their useful life. New Jersey American Water will take responsibility for the sewer system and immediately begin long-overdue infrastructure investments including:

- Strengthening the system to mitigate future flooding
- Replacing sewer mains and manholes to address the Inflow and Infiltration challenge
- Owning and operating the system in compliance with environmental requirements

PROVIDING COMMUNITY SUPPORT & HIGH QUALITY SERVICE FOR MANVILLE

Customers will receive the same high-quality customer service from New Jersey American Water for their sewer service as they currently receive for their drinking water

- Consolidated monthly billing with convenient bill paying options
- Quick responses in emergencies
- Financial assistance program for qualifying customers
- Repairs on company-owned portions of sewer service lines
- Supporting local community organizations with grant opportunities and more

COMMITTED TO MANVILLE

New Jersey American Water is committed to the Borough and has been Manville's water service provider since 2001. Since 2013. New Jersey American Water has invested more than \$25.1 million into our water distribution system in the Borough, replacing aging water mains, company-side service lines, and public fire hydrants. That amounts to over \$2.5 million a year and approximately \$6,730 per customer over the course of the last 10 years.



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STABILIZE RATES FOR THE LONG TERM

The sale of the Manville sewer system to New Jersey American Water will keep sewer rates stable for the long-term, whether you pay your sewer bill directly or as part of your rent, leading to significant savings for Manville customers. Upon sale of the system, current sewer rates will be held steady for a year, followed by modest increases of 2-4% over the next six years, while critical system improvements are made.

Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Rate Increase	0%	2%	3%	3%	3%	4%	4%

Sewer treatment charges from the Somerset Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority, which make up approximately 75% of Manville customers'current sewer bill, are a separate charge and are not included in this rate plan. At the end of the seven years, customers with average water usage can expect to pay approximately \$24 more annually for sewer service while New Jersey American Water invests millions of dollars in Manville.

In the long-term, customers' rates will increase modestly every two to three years due to New Jersey American Water's ability to spread rate increases over its large customer footprint. If the Borough were to maintain ownership and undertake only half of the needed improvements proposed by New Jersey American Water, rates would increase much more. **Under New Jersey American Water ownership, Borough customers will see an estimated \$8,000-\$10,000 in savings over 20 years.**

SEWER BILL COMPARISON*



*Learn more about rates and the assumptions made in these projections at VoteYesManville.com/rates



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