

ARTICLE III. - WATER, WASTEWATER AND ELECTRIC UTILITY FEES.

Reserved Sec. B3-01 – Sec. B3-10

**Sec. B3-11. Volumetric rate.**

The volumetric rate is defined as the rate charged per 1,000 gallons of water metered in any given billing period. The following volumetric rates per billing period are hereby established for consumers and users of the municipal water system, as specified herein:

*Residential:*

| Gallons         | Price per 1,000 Gallons, or any fraction thereof |                              |
|-----------------|--|------------------------------|
|                 | Effective<br>June 1, 2025                        | Effective<br>October 1, 2025 |
| 0 to 4,000      | \$4.11   | \$4.49                       |
| 4,001 to 40,000 | \$5.15   | \$5.62                       |
| >40,000         | \$6.42   | \$7.01                       |

*Commercial:*

| Gallons    | Price per 1,000 Gallons, or any fraction thereof |                              |
|------------|--|------------------------------|
|            | Effective<br>June 1, 2025                        | Effective<br>October 1, 2025 |
| 0 to 2,000 | \$5.09   | \$5.56                       |
| >2,000     | \$6.37   | \$6.95                       |

**Sec. B3-12. Minimum charge.**

There shall be a minimum charge per billing period, or fraction thereof, during which water is available for use. The minimum charge shall depend on the size of the meter connection.

The minimum water charge inside the city limits shall be:

| Meter Size  | Minimum Charge            |                              |
|-------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
|             | Effective<br>June 1, 2025 | Effective<br>October 1, 2025 |
| 3/4" x 5/8" | \$27.50                   | \$30.00                      |
| 1"          | \$38.50                   | \$42.00                      |
| 1.25"       | \$44.00                   | \$48.00                      |
| 1.5"        | \$49.50                   | \$54.00                      |
| 2"          | \$79.75                   | \$87.00                      |
| 3"          | \$302.50                  | \$330.00                     |
| 4"          | \$385.00                  | \$420.00                     |
| 6"          | \$577.50                  | \$630.00                     |

**Sec. B3-13. Water connection fees.**

- (a) *Connection fees.* Connections with the municipal waterworks system with an existing tap shall be charged a water meter installation charge and impact fee, as

provided for herein. Connections with the municipal waterworks system without an existing tap shall be charged a water meter installation charge, water tap fee and impact fee, as provided for herein. Each building or residence will be classified as a separate connection.

- (b) *Water meter installation charge.* The water meter installation charge for service shall be as follows:

| Meter Size | Meter Installation Charge |
|------------|---------------------------|
| ¾ Meter    | \$425.00                  |
| 1" Meter   | \$475.00                  |

The water meter installation charge for a water meter larger than one inch shall be equal to the cost of installation, which shall include the meter box, fittings, water meter, radio module, labor, equipment and any other related costs.

- (c) *Water tap fee.* The water tap fee shall be equal to the total cost of installation, including materials, equipment and labor. The water tap fee shall include, but is not limited to, cutting across a right-of-way, road repairs, cutting through rock and all costs associated with easement acquisition (land surveying, easement purchase price, attorney fees, additional staff time, etc.).
- (d) *Payment made prior to connection.* All fees for service must be paid in full prior to the connection being made.

#### **Sec. B3-14. Service outside city.**

The fees for service established in section B3-11 and B3-12 of this schedule shall be increased by a multiplier of 1.15 times for water customers whose connection is located outside the city limits.

Reserved Sec. B3-15 – Sec. B3-20

#### **Sec. B3-21. Computation of water bill.**

All charges for water consumption to any user under any of the rate schedules, as set forth in sections B3-11 and B3-12 of this schedule, where the amount of water consumed or used exceeds the minimum provided, the bill shall be figured upon the amount of water actually used, and where a fractional portion of 1,000 gallons is used, the charge shall be figured in brackets of 100 gallons to the closest 100-gallon reading on a proportionate scale of rates.

#### **Sec. B3-22. Bulk water sales.**

- (a) The fees for bulk water sold through a temporary construction meter for use within the city limits shall be \$20.00 per one thousand gallons of water sold. Fractional quantities shall be prorated at \$0.02 per gallon.
- (b) The fees for bulk water sold through the bulk water filling station located at the public works warehouse, or through a temporary construction meter for use outside of the city limits when the city is in Normal, Stage 1, or Stage 2 of the Drought Contingency Plan shall be \$30.00 per one thousand gallons of water sold, or a fraction thereof with a minimum fee of \$15.00 required for 500 gallons or less. Fractional quantities above 500 gallons shall be prorated at \$0.03 per gallon.
- (c) The fees for bulk water sold through the bulk water filling station located at the public works warehouse, or through a temporary construction meter for use

outside of the city limits when the city is in Stage 3, or Stage 4 of the Drought Contingency Plan shall be \$60.00 per one thousand gallons of water sold, or a fraction thereof with a minimum fee of \$30.00 required for 500 gallons or less. Fractional quantities above 500 gallons shall be prorated at \$0.06 per gallon.

- (d) Bulk water sold at the public works warehouse, or through a temporary construction meter for use outside of the city limits when the city is in Stage 4 of the Drought Contingency Plan shall only be sold for use as potable water or to protect public health and safety.
- (e) Temporary construction meters for bulk water use outside of the city limits shall require approval of the City Manager.

Reserved Sec. B3-246 – Sec. B3-50

**Sec. B3-51. Sewer charges.**

- (a) *Levy and collection of charges for use of the sewer system.* It is hereby determined and declared necessary for the city to levy and collect charges from all persons, firms and corporations using the sanitary sewer system and the lines of the city. These charges shall be in accordance with the user charge system developed under EPA Grant Project C-48-1638-03. The charges shall be based upon actual sewer use as measured by the average monthly water usage during the winter months of December, January and February. Sewer charges shall be calculated once each year and remain fixed throughout a 12-month period.
- (b) *Amendment of sewer user charge system; minimum billing.* The sewer user charge system shall be amended to provide for a minimum billing based upon a basic level of service required by all sewer customers including, but not limited to, the costs for meter reading, monthly billing, and overhead administration services.
- (c) *New service.* In the event a winter average is not able to be calculated due to the time of year connection for new customers, the monthly sewer volumetric usage will be calculated as follows:

Residential:

The number of gallons used to calculate the monthly bill shall be 4,000 gallons.

Commercial:

A commercial customer shall be charged based on the city's estimation of the customer's monthly return flow to the city's wastewater system.

- (d) *Schedules.*

*Schedule A*

|  | Effective<br>June 1, 2025 | Effective<br>October 1, 2025 |
|--|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Monthly Minimum Charge                                   | \$33.00                   | \$36.00                      |
| Volumetric Rate per 1,000 Gallons, or a Fraction Thereof | \$5.50                    | \$6.00                       |

*Schedule B*

(Sewer only with no water service)

Residential:

|                | Effective June 1, 2025 | Effective October 1, 2025 |
|----------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Monthly Charge | \$63.25                | \$69.00                   |

Commercial:

A commercial customer shall be charged in accordance with this section, based on the city's estimation of the customer's return flow to the city's wastewater system. The city may, at its discretion, require the installation of a water or wastewater meter, at customer's expense, to verify return flow.