

ORDINANCE NO. 830-2023

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX “A” FEE SCHEDULE OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HILSHIRE VILLAGE, TEXAS, BY DELETING SECTION 7.200 OF APPENDIX “A” THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTING THEREFOR A NEW SECTION 7.200 OF APPENDIX “A”, ESTABLISHING NEW WATER, WATER DEPOSITS, BILLING CHARGES, SANITARY SEWER AND SOLID WASTE COLLECTION RATES; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT OR IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY.

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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HILSHIRE VILLAGE, TEXAS:

Section 1. The Code of Ordinances of the City of Hilshire Village, Texas (the “Code”), is hereby amended by deleting Section 7.200 of Appendix A and substituting therefore a new Section 7.200 of Appendix A to provide as follows with an effective date for all invoices rendered after date of Ordinance.

Sec. 7.200 Water Rates Established

(a) Residential and Non-Residential, Bi-Monthly Charges:

- (1) The charge for water is \$8.50/1000 gallons – no minimum
- (2) The flat rate bi-monthly sewer charge is \$89.00, and the maintenance charge is \$20.00.

(b) Commercial “C”, Bi-Monthly Charges

- (1) The charge for water is \$8.50/1000 gallons – no minimum
- (2) The flat rate bi-monthly sewer charge is \$89.00 and the maintenance charge of \$20.00.

(c) Commercial-Holy Cross Church, Bi-Monthly Charges:

- (1) The charge for water is \$8.50/1000 gallons – no minimum.
- (2) The flat rate bi-monthly sewer charge is \$600.00, and the maintenance charge is \$20.00.

Meter Deposit

- (1) A deposit for water meter hookup for any new residential, non-residential, or commercial customer shall be required in the amount of \$500.00 per meter. The refund will be returned on the last water bill after a call for disconnection.

(2) If in the event an existing resident's water is turned off due to non-payment, a deposit will be required, in an amount necessary to cause a total deposit balance of \$500.00, prior to reconnection of water service. Such deposit shall be mandatory if there is no deposit, or there is a deposit in an amount less than \$500.00 remaining on the account.

Billing Charges Established for Residential, Non-Residential, and Commercial

*All Payments, as described below, shall be made in person or online (if applicable) at such place that payments are received, unless otherwise approved by the City or an authorized contractor for the City, with an authorized payment method (not to include personal checks).

(1) Returned Check Fee is \$25.00

(2) Meter Verification/Re-Read will be no charge if the meter was read incorrectly, one free re-read per year, and \$20.00 thereafter if the meter was read correctly by Inframark Water & Infrastructure Services.

(3) A Service Account Transfer fee of \$15.00 will be charged for new accounts or when a resident moves from one address to another within the city, so that the records follow the resident.

(4) Billing statements shall be mailed bi-monthly by the tenth (10th) day of each billing month.

(5) The payment due date shall be thirty (30) calendar days from the statement mailed date.

(6) If payment has not been received by the tenth (10th) day after the statement due date, a delinquent letter shall be mailed to the billing address and a delinquent letter fee of \$10.00 shall be applied to the account. The account holder shall have ten (10) business days (excluding holidays), from the date that such delinquent letter is issued, to pay all delinquent bills before a red tag is issued.

(7) Red tag fee is \$20.00. Once a red tag is issued, the account holder shall have five (5) business days (excluding holidays), from the date that such red tag is issued, to pay all delinquent bills before the water is turned off.

(8) Turn off fee is \$50.00.

(9) Reconnect fee is \$50.00.

(10) Removal of Meter due to unauthorized usage after turn off is \$100.00.

(11) Insufficient Funds Fee is \$25.00.

Solid waste collection charges:

Per residential unit, school, church, public building, or similar use is \$48.56 bi-monthly, excluding sales tax. Additionally, a fuel surcharge and disposal environmental fee will be charged by the City if and when the Vendor's bill includes these fees.

Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such inconsistency or conflict, hereby repealed.

Section 3. In the event any clause phrase, provision, sentence, or part of this Ordinance or the application of the same to any person or circumstances shall for any reason be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect, impair or invalidate this Ordinance as a whole or any part or provision hereof other than the part declared to be invalid or unconstitutional and the City Council of the City of Hilshire Village, Texas, declares that it would have passed each and every part of the same notwithstanding the omission of any such part thus declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, whether there be one or more parts.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 12th day of September, 2023.

Robert F. Buesinger, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cassie Stephens, City Secretary