

**CITY OF KOTZEBUE, ALASKA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 26-02**

**ENTITLED: "A NON-CODE ORDINANCE CORRECTING OMITTED FEES FOR CY2026."**

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KOTZEBUE, ALASKA:**

- Section 1.** This is a Non-Code Ordinance.
- Section 2.** Non-Code Ordinance 26-01, was passed and approved on February 19, 2026. However, through a software/technical glitch, several fees were omitted for CY2026.
- Section 3.** As a result of the omission, the City has been charging outdated CY2025 fees for all fees omitted in Non-Code Ordinance 26-01.
- Section 4.** The omitted fees for CY2026 are set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.
- Section 5.** The omitted fees for CY2026 shall become effective with the July 1, 2026 billing cycle for the bills mailed out in early-August 2026.

**ENACTED** this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 2026.

**CITY OF KOTZEBUE**

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Saima Chase  
*Mayor*

[SEAL]

ATTEST:

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Donald Jones  
*City Clerk*

ATTESTATION: I, Donald Jones, Clerk for the City of Kotzebue, hereby attest that the above Non-Code Ordinance, No. 26-02, was duly presented to the Kotzebue City Council, duly published and that a valid public hearing was held and that it was duly enacted on June 18, 2026.

Public Post: April 10, 2026  
Introduced: April 16, 2026  
Public Re-Post: May 1, 2026  
First Public Hearing: May 7, 2026  
Public Re-Post: May 14, 2026  
Second Public Hearing: May 20, 2026  
Public Re-post: June 17, 2026  
Third Public Hearing: June 18, 2026  
Passed and Approved: June 18, 2026  
Adopted: July 1, 2026

Attachments:

- **Exhibit “A”**: Table of Fees Omitted in Non-Code Ordinance 26-01 – [1 page]
- **Exhibit “B”**: DOWL Utility Rate Study – [1 page]
- **Exhibit “C”**: Utility Rate PSA [1 page]

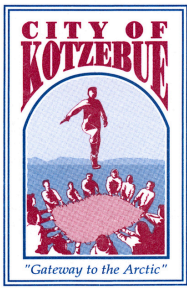
PUBLIC WORKS - WATER / WASTEWATER							
ITEM	ACTIVITY	VALID PERIOD	CY25	CUOP RATE	DIFFERENCE	CY26	COMMENTS
<b>SENIOR/DISABLED RATES</b>							
1	Water Flat Rate		\$40.58	\$0.48	\$0.00	\$40.58	
2	Wastewater Flat Rate		\$20.18	\$5.96	\$8.82	\$29.00	
<b>RESIDENTIAL RATES Single/Multi-units up to Five-plex</b>							
3	Water Flat Rate		\$101.46	\$84.74	\$0.00	\$101.46	
4	Wastewater Flat Rate		\$46.60	\$32.98	\$21.40	\$68.00	
<b>MULTI-UNIT DWELLINGS RATES Multi-unit Six-plex and above</b>							
5	Water Base Rate	Up to 6000 Gallons	\$107.02		\$0.00	\$107.02	
6	Water Metered Rate	Per 1000 Gallons	\$42.88		\$0.00	\$42.88	
7	Wastewater Minimum Rate	Up to 6000 Gallons	\$57.18		\$10.82	\$68.00	
8	Wastewater Metered Rate	Per 1000 Gallons	\$19.53		\$7.47	\$27.00	
<b>COMMERCIAL RATES</b>							
9	Water Flat Rate	Monthly	\$240.77		\$0.00	\$240.77	
10	Water Minimum Rate	Monthly	\$107.02		\$0.00	\$107.02	
11	Water Metered Rate	Per 1000 Gallons	\$42.88		\$0.00	\$42.88	
12	Wastewater Flat Rate	Monthly	\$118.42		\$21.58	\$140.00	
13	Wastewater Metered Rate	Per 1000 Gallons	\$57.18		\$10.82	\$68.00	

PUBLIC WORKS - SOLID WASTE							
ITEM	ACTIVITY	VALID PERIOD	CY25			CY26	COMMENTS
<b>SENIOR/DISABLED RATES</b>							
14	Residential Pick-Up Elder Service		\$27.29		\$4.71	\$32.00	
<b>RESIDENTIAL RATES</b>							
15	Residential Pick-Up Service		\$52.27		\$11.73	\$64.00	
16	Additional Pick-Up Residential				\$64.00	\$64.00	Additional/Late/Blocked/Missed
<b>COMMERCIAL RATES</b>							
17	Commercial Dumpster Lease	Monthly	\$35.00		\$7.00	\$42.00	
18	Commercial Pick-Up Service	Per Dumpster	\$28.43		\$6.57	\$35.00	
19	Additional Pick-Up	Each			\$35.00	\$35.00	Additional/Late/Blocked/Missed

# COMBINED WATER AND SEWER RATE COMPARISON (2020 DATA)

Utilities	Monthly Fees
Port Alsworth	\$ 479
Naknek	\$ 392
Sterling	\$ 355
Tazlina	\$ 316
Bethel	\$ 247
Nome	\$ 204
Utqiagvik	\$ 187
<b>Kotzebue</b>	<b>\$ 169</b>

\*\*\* At the time of this study, The City of Kotzebue Utility Rate included the Northwest Arctic Borough - Community Utility Assistance Program (CUAP) discount, which is a yearly appropriated assistance for villages in the NWAB.



City of Kotzebue

# 3rd PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE 26-02

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**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

# JUNE 18, 2026

Residents of the City of Kotzebue are encouraged to attend the next regular city council meeting for public comment on Ordinance 26-02 regarding water, sewer, and garbage rate increases.

SENIOR / DISABLED RATES				
	CURRENT	PROPOSED	**NWAB - CUAP RATE	INCREASE
WATER	\$40.58	<b>\$40.58</b>	\$0.48	<b>\$0.00</b>
SEWER	\$20.18	<b>\$29.00</b>	\$5.96	<b>\$8.82</b>
GARBAGE	\$27.29	<b>\$32.00</b>	\$0.00	<b>\$4.71</b>

RESIDENTIAL RATES				
	CURRENT	PROPOSED	**NWAB - CUAP RATE	INCREASE
WATER	\$101.46	<b>\$101.46</b>	\$84.74	<b>\$0.00</b>
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GARBAGE	\$52.27	<b>\$64.00</b>	\$0.00	<b>\$11.73</b>

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