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**CITY OF PORT LAVACA**

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**CITY COUNCIL MEETING: AUGUST 9, 2021**

**DATE:** 8/5/21

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

**FROM:** SUSAN LANG, FINANCE DIRECTOR

**SUBJECT:** CONSIDER INCREASE IN GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY (GBRA) FEE

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The City of Port Lavaca has contracted with the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) to reserve its full commitment of 4,480 A/F by fiscal year 2025. Currently, the City holds 2,240 A/F, and increases its commitment each year by 448 A/F. Next year's commitment will be 2,688 A/F. The GBRA provided notice on June 30, 2021 of an increase for firm water from the current \$151.00 per acre-foot per year to \$157.00 per acre-foot per year.

As a result in both the increased increment of total acre feet of commitment and the increase in cost per acre-foot, we find it necessary to increase the current fee for GBRA water "raw water storage" from \$6.18 per month per customer to \$7.54 per month per customer, or a 22% increase effective September 1, 2021.

<i>Section Number</i>	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Fee Amount</i>
<a href="#">50-52(b)</a>	Inspection fee	
<i>Water table</i>		
<a href="#">50-67</a>	<i>Water user rates:</i>	
<a href="#">50-67</a>	<i>Residential:</i>	
	Base charge 0—2,000 gallons	\$17.00per month
	Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) fee	<del>\$6.18per month</del> \$7.54 per month
	2,001—5,000 gallons	\$4.78 per 1,000 gallons
	5,001—25,000 gallons	\$5.26 per 1,000 gallons
	Over 25,000 gallons	\$5.97 per 1,000 gallons
<a href="#">50-67</a>	<i>Small Commercial:</i>	
	Base charge 0—2,000 gallons 5/8 —1½-inch meter	\$19.50 per month

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	2,001—5,000 gallons	\$4.95 per 1,000 gallons
	5,001—25,000 gallons	\$5.26 per 1,000 gallons
	Over 25,000 gallons	\$5.97 per 1,000 gallons
<a href="#">50-67</a>	<i>Large commercial:</i>	
	Base charge 2—6-inch water meter	\$37.00 per month
	Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) fee	<del>\$6.18</del> \$7.54 per month
	0—5,000 gallons	\$4.95 per 1,000 gallons
	5,001—25,000 gallons	\$5.26 per 1,000 gallons
	Over 25,000 gallons	\$5.97 per 1,000 gallons
<a href="#">50-67</a>	<i>Outside city limits:</i>	
	For residential and commercial customers located outside the city limits, the charge for water shall be 1½ times the rate charged to customers inside the city limits	