

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-10-21-14

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A (FEE SCHEDULE) OF THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION A9.003 TO AMEND RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL WASTEWATER RATES; TO ADD A STAND-BY FEE; TO AMEND THE WINTER AVERAGE CALCULATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City desires to amend the rates for wastewater service, based on a wastewater rate study performed for such purpose, and review by the City Utility Commission;

WHEREAS, the City desires to adopt rates that reflect the cost of service.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROLLINGWOOD, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1. Subsections (a) and (b)(1) of Sec. A9.003 of Appendix A Fee Schedule of the City Code of Ordinances are hereby amended to provide as follows with strikeouts being deletions and underlines being additions:

Sec. A9.003. - Wastewater service rates.

(a) Rates. The rates to be charged by the city for wastewater collection and treatment services to its customers will be:

- (1) Residential customers. \$13.07 base rate per month, plus \$7.81 per 1,000 gallons based upon the current winter average.
- (2) Commercial customers. ~~\$78.00~~ \$91.07 per living unit equivalent assigned to the customer per month, plus ~~\$9.32~~ \$7.81 per 1,000 gallons of water usage as measured monthly.
- (3) Stand-by Fee. \$13.76 per month, per living unit equivalent.

(b) Winter average calculation.

- (1) Each year, the city will determine each customer's winter water usage during the ~~preceding~~ months of November, December, January, February, and March and calculate an average monthly water usage based on usage during such winter months. There will be a minimum average of at least 1,000 gallons. This average will be used to calculate the customer's volume wastewater charges until the next year, when the average will be recalculated. In addition, each year the city will determine an average during such winter months of monthly residential usage by all residential customers. Such average will be used to calculate volume charges for a customer who did not purchase water from the city for the entirety of the most recent winter average period, including those whose water supply is provided by one or more water wells.

Section 2. On the first day of the billing period in January 2021, the foregoing rates and charges shall be in effect and shall be billed to and payable by users of water and wastewater services provided by the City. Such water and wastewater charges will first appear on bills to customers following water meter readings to be taken on or about February 23, 2021.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Section 4. If any provision of this Ordinance is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be void or unenforceable, such void or unenforceable provision shall be severed as though it never formed a part of this Ordinance, and all other provisions hereof shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ROLLINGWOOD, TEXAS,
on the 21st day of October 2020.

Michael R. Dyson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ashley Wayman, City Secretary