

RESOLUTION NO. 18 FOR 2014

A RESOLUTION SETTING RATES AND FEES FOR WATER SERVICES.

WHEREAS, the Sweet Home City Council has provided that Water Use Rates should be established by resolution, in accordance with Ordinance No. 1174; and,

WHEREAS, the Water User Rates were last adjusted July 2010 and need to be adjusted herein to ensure adequate funds are received to cover the annual cost of operation and maintenance, replacement, and other administrative costs of the Water Utility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SWEET HOME CITY COUNCIL that effective July 21, 2014, the water use fees shall be as follows:

For purposes of this resolution, the City Council shall annually review Water Rates before May of each year and set the new monthly rate for bills sent out each July.

Section 1 The rates for water use to be charged for each billing period are as follows:

A minimum charge for each water service inside the city limits will be made according to the meter sizes as follows.

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Monthly Base Charge</u>
3/4 inch	\$ 17.90
1 inch	22.38
1-1/2 inch	28.35
2 inch	44.77
3 inch	165.68
4 inch	210.46
6 inch	314.95
8 inch	434.37

Residential Users (Inside the City Limits): The monthly base charge is to include the first 400 cubic feet of water consumed for all residential customers only. A consumption charge of \$ 7.48 per 100 cubic feet for water used, over 400 cubic feet, shall be made in addition to the Monthly Base Charge for all meter sizes for all residential customers only.

Commercial Users (Inside the City Limits): A consumption charge of \$ 6.85 per 100 cubic feet for all water used shall be made in addition to the Monthly Base Charge for all commercial customers per meter size.

Bulk Users (Inside the City Limits): A consumption charge of \$ 6.01 per 100 cubic feet for all water used shall be made.

Water Users Outside the City Limits: Monthly charges will be computed at 1.5 times the inside city rate as stated above for residential, commercial and bulk users.

The Monthly Base Charge for a meter on water line installed solely for the purpose of providing fire protection shall be the ¾-inch rate charged for a residence. If the monthly reading of the meter indicates any usage, the Monthly Base Charge will be the normal charge for the meter size installed as shown above in addition to the charge for consumption.

Section 2 Miscellaneous water service fees to be established as follows:

- a) Reinstating water service to any property deprived of such service; a fee of \$32.

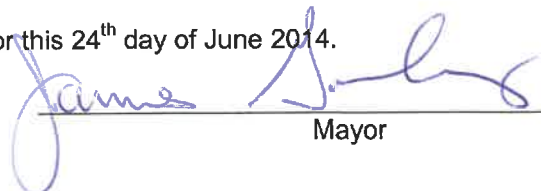
- b) Turning water service on that has been turned off without permit by persons other than City employees; a fee of \$32.
- c) Turning off and turning on water service after hours; a fee of \$32. During regular hours \$16 (after hours at users' request only).
- d) Re-reading the water meter at the request of the user, if the previous reading was correct; a fee of \$16.
- e) Calibration or reinstallation of water meters at the request of the user if the previous meter was registering correctly; a fee of \$125.00.
- f) Vacationers' water on/off; a fee of \$16 each visit.
- g) Tampering with a water meter affecting register; a fee of \$250.
- h) Fees for special portable metered or estimated water usage; i.e., swimming pool fills, tanker fills, and street sweeper fills, and other usage as required shall be charged at a \$4.79 per 100 cubic feet, or \$0.0064 / gallon. Such usage must be with permit as approved by the Public Works Director (see Bulk users).
- i) Water Deposit: \$50.00 (An additional \$50.00 will be collected from water residents for each new sewer account and shall be administered in conjunction with the Wastewater Ordinance/Resolution).
- j) Temporary Water Service Fee: \$32
- k) Plan review fee for required backflow devices as established in Ordinance No. 948 – Basic Right-of-way Fee.
- l) Notification by Door Hanging for Delinquent Bill: \$16.00
- m) Service Charge: \$2.00 per month on delinquent accounts
- n) Interest Rate: 1 ½% outstanding delinquent account balance including all interest, service charge, or other relevant fee/charges.
- o) Refunds will not be made for amounts less than \$10.00

Section 3 Other associated fees, practices and charges for water and sewer installation and hookup are described in Ordinance Numbers 1029, 1127 and 1175 or other current superseding ordinances.

It has been determined that these rates and fees are classified as not being subject to Oregon Constitution, Article XI, Section 11b limitations.

This resolution supersedes all prior resolutions on water rates.

PASSED by the Council and approved by the Mayor this 24th day of June 2014.



 Mayor

ATTEST:



 City Manager - Ex Officio City Recorder