



Citizen Engagement

Monday, September 23, 2019

Did You Know?

Re: Actions taken by the City Council in regards to water and waste water rates

The City worked with rate consultants for several months in 2019 in order to address citizen concerns regarding residential water bills. On August 12th, 2019 the City Council adopted a new Water and Waste Water Rate schedule that should offer some relief for its residential customers.

Attached is a general comparison of Water and Waste Water charges before and after the adoption in August. The attachment shows different levels of water usage, 5,000/7,800/ and 12,700 gallons per month, and should provide an indication of savings. The water rates were combined to two tiers rather than three, and the Waste Water cap was reduced to 10,000 Gallons down from 12,000 gallons. This should not only provide for savings on the water side but also provide some savings on the waste water side for those who irrigate more than others.

These rates went into effect on September 15th 2019. Customers should see a slight reduction in their water bill starting in the October billing cycle.

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City Manager

Water and Waste Water Rate Comparison over previous Rates Effective 9/15/2019

Billing Calculation Comparison				Per Ordinance 2019-08-12-02			
Residential - 3/4"				First billing with new rates and tiers will be 9/15/2109 - 10/15/2019 billing cycle due 11/10/2019			
Meter usage		5,000					
CURRENT RATES effective 10/1/2017				ADOPTED RATES effective 9/15/2019			
Water				Water			
Base charge	25.17		25.17	Base charge	25.17		25.17
0 - 3,000	6.27	x 3	18.81	0 - 4,000	6.00	X 4	24.00
3,001 - 6,000	8.15	x 2	24.45				
			68.43	4,001 - 10,000	7.50	X 1	7.50
							56.67 (11.76)
Wastewater				Wastewater			
Base charge	11.45		11.45	Base charge	11.45		11.45
0 - 3,000	5.36	x 3	16.08	0 - 3,000	5.36	x 3	16.08
3,001 - 6,000	6.57	x 2	13.14	3,001 - 6,000	6.57	x 2	13.14
			40.67				40.67 -
TOTAL			109.10	TOTAL			97.34 (11.76)
Billing Calculation Comparison				Per Ordinance 2019-08-12-02			
Residential - 3/4"				First billing with new rates and tiers will be 9/15/2109 - 10/15/2019 billing cycle due 11/10/2019			
Meter usage		7,800					
CURRENT RATES effective 10/1/2017				ADOPTED RATES effective 9/15/2019			
Water				Water			
Base charge	25.17		25.17	Base charge	25.17		25.17
0 - 3,000	6.27	x 3	18.81	0 - 4,000	6.00	X 4	24.00
3,001 - 6,000	8.15	x 3	24.45				
6,001 - 7,800	10.04	x 1.8	18.07	4,001 - 10,000	7.50	X 3.8	28.50
			86.50				77.67 (8.83)
Wastewater				Wastewater			
Base charge	11.45		11.45	Base charge	11.45		11.45
0 - 3,000	5.36	x 3	16.08	0 - 3,000	5.36	x 3	16.08
3,001 - 6,000	6.57	x 3	19.71	3,001 - 6,000	6.57	x 3	19.71
6,001 - 7,800	7.79	x 1.8	14.02	6,001 - 7,800	7.79	x 1.8	14.02
			61.26				61.26 -
TOTAL			147.76	TOTAL			138.93 (8.83)
Billing Calculation Comparison				Per Ordinance 2019-08-12-02			
Residential - 3/4"				First billing with new rates and tiers will be 9/15/2109 - 10/15/2019 billing cycle due 11/10/2019			
Meter usage		12,700					
CURRENT RATES effective 10/1/2017				ADOPTED RATES effective 9/15/2019			
Water				Water			
Base charge	25.17		25.17	Base charge	25.17		25.17
0 - 3,000	6.27	x 3	18.81	0 - 4,000	6.00	X 4	24.00
3,001 - 6,000	8.15	x 3	24.45				
6,001 - 10,000	10.04	x 4	40.16	4,001 - 10,000	7.50	X 6	45.00
10,001 & above	11.92	x 2.7	32.18	10,001 - 30,000	10.50	x 2.7	28.35
			140.77				122.52 (18.25)
Wastewater				Wastewater			
Base charge	11.45		11.45	Base charge	11.45		11.45
0 - 3,000	5.36	x 3	16.08	0 - 3,000	5.36	x 3	16.08
3,001 - 6,000	6.57	x 3	19.71	3,001 - 6,000	6.57	x 3	19.71
6,001 - 9,000	7.79	x 3	23.37	6,001 - 9,000	7.79	x 3	23.37
9,001 - 12,000	9.00	x 3	27.00	9,001 - 10,000	9.00	x 1	9.00
			97.61				79.61 (18.00)
TOTAL			238.38	TOTAL			202.13 (36.25)