


## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** September 16, 2022

**TO:** Mayor Lankford & City Council

**VIA:** Mercy Rushing, City Manager

**FROM:** Cindy Karch, City Secretary 

**SUBJECT:** Ordinance amending water and wastewater fees  
**Council Meeting Agenda Item for September 19, 2022**

### **Background Information:**

This ordinance is amending our water service fees, sewer service fees, water tap fees, sewer tap fees, master meter fees and bulk water fees.

Residential and commercial water and sewer rates will be increased 3% as per the budget. Tap fees have been increased to cover the cost of the taps. Bulk water will be increased from \$20 per 1,000 GAL to \$30 per 1,000 GAL. Kyle McCoy researched the tap fees and proposed these increases.

### **Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the council approve the ordinance.

### **Final Disposition:**

**ORDINANCE**

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**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF MINEOLA TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 44, APPENDEX B FEE SCHEDULE, CHAPTER 44. UTILITIES, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MINEOLA; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MINEOLA, TEXAS, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Chapter 44 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Mineola, Texas, is hereby amended to read as follows, to-wit:**

**Section 44-27.1      Master Meter Demand Fees**

Meter Size	Monthly Minimum
1 inch	\$39.26
1 ½ inch	\$59.69
2 inch	\$90.72
3 inch	\$137.89
4 inch	\$209.57
6 inch	\$318.56
8 inch	\$484.21

**Section 44-28.      Water Tap Fees.**

**Fees for water taps are as follows:**

(A.) Located within the city limits of the City of Mineola:

¾ inch.....	\$ 1,200.00
1 inch.....	\$ 1,200.00 + cost of meter
1 ½ inch.....	\$ 1,200.00 + cost of meter
2 inch.....	\$ 1,400.00 + cost of meter

(B.) Located outside of the city limits of the City of Mineola:

¾ inch.....	\$ 1,800.00
1 inch.....	\$ 1,800.00 + cost of meter
1 ½ inch.....	\$ 1,800.00 + cost of meter
2 inch.....	\$ 2,000.00 + cost of meter

In addition to the fees listed above, taps requiring a copper service line, the fee will be the cost of the copper per foot.

**Section 44-28.1 Bulk Water Rates**

Per 1,000 Gallons used.....\$30.00

**Section 44-29 Water Service Rates - Generally**

The following rates shall be charged by the City to users of water provided by the City of Mineola:

Water Service Fees (3/4" x 5/8" Meter Size)		
Service Type	Monthly Minimum (no usage)	Per 100 Gal
Residential Inside City	\$14.36	\$0.8027
Residential Outside City	\$15.18	\$0.9240
Commercial Inside City	\$32.53	\$0.8027
Commercial Outside City	\$37.34	\$0.9240

**Section 44-73 Tapping By City; Charges and Fees**

All tapping of sewer lines within the city utility system shall be performed by the Water and Sewer Utility Department of the city exclusively. The charge for tapping are as follows:

1. Four Inch Sewer Line.....\$1,300
2. Sewer Line larger than Four Inches.....\$1,300 + cost of materials necessary for the tap.

**Section 44-76 Sewer Service Rates – Generally**

Monthly service charges for the use of the City sewer system are hereby authorized and levied, to be collected each month as part of the patron’s water bill under the following classifications, which are declared all inclusive (except for additional industrial waste charges) for all types of connections, and in the following amounts:

Sewer Service Fees		
Service Type	Monthly Minimum (no usage)	Per 100 Gal
Residential Inside City	\$20.14	\$0.2944 (15,000 Gal Max)
Residential Outside City	\$23.07	\$0.3365 (15,000 Gal Max)
Commercial Inside City	\$24.22	\$0.4515
Commercial Outside City	\$28.14	\$0.5139

Sewer customers outside the city limits of the City of Mineola shall, prior to connecting to the city sewer system, comply with regulations regarding connecting to same.

The rates and fees shall be effective October 1, 2022.

## **REPEALER**

Any and all Ordinances of the City of Mineola, Texas in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and the same are hereby repealed, and all other provisions of the Ordinances of the City of Mineola not in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

## **SEVERABILITY**

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, subsections and phrases of this Ordinance are severable, and if any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, subsection or phrase of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or illegality shall not affect any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, subsections and phrases of this Ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this Ordinance of any such unconstitutional or illegal section, paragraph, sentence, clause, subsection or phrase.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** by the City Council of the City of Mineola, Texas on the 19th day of September, 2022.

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Jayne Lankford, Mayor

Attest:

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Cindy Karch, City Secretary