

ORDINANCE 20 - 14

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY OF COMMERCE CODE OF ORDINANCES;
ESTABLISHING WASTEWATER RATES TO BE CHARGED BY THE CITY OF COMMERCE,
TEXAS, FOR WATER TO PATRONS OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE WATER SYSTEM,
PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY REPEALING ALL
ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF COMMERCE, TEXAS

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT:

City of Commerce Code of Ordinances is hereby amended relative to Wastewater Rates to reflect the fees necessary to recover a portion of the City's cost of provision of these services.:

SECTION 2: That for the purposes provided in Section 1, there is hereby levied and charged on each lot, parcel of land or premises in the City having a connection with the system, or otherwise discharging wastewater, industrial wastes, water or other liquids, either directly or industrial wastes, water or other liquids, either directly or indirectly into the system, wastewater charges payable as hereinafter provided and in amounts to be determined as follows:

- (A) Wastewater rate: For residential, business, professional or commercial active connection with the system, rates are hereby fixed at the following rates using a demand charge based on meter size plus the gallon charges based on the water used, as registered by the users water meter:

<u>METER SIZE</u>	<u>MONTHLY DEMAND RATE</u>
Single unit residence:	\$13.00
Commercial:	
5/8"	\$13.00
1"	\$32.50
1 1/2"	\$65.00
2"	\$104.00
2.5"	\$156.00
3"	\$208.00
4"	\$325.00
6"	\$650.00
8"	\$1,040.00
10"	\$1,495.00

Usage Fee (per 1,000 gallons of water):

9-999,999	4.15
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- (B) Customers living and businesses outside the city limits shall be charged one and one-half (1 1/2) times the rate being charged to residents within the city limits.

A wastewater average for each single-family residential account has been calculated from the November through April Billing. For the May 10th through October 30th billing for single family residential units only, the following calculations will be used:

1. If the usage is below the average, the bill will be calculated on the usage.
2. If the usage is over the average, the bill will be calculated by the average.

SECTION 2. Ordinance or parts of ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance shall be and the same are hereby expressly repealed.

SECTION 3.

In any section, sub-section, word, sentence, or phrase of this ordinance is declared to be invalid, it shall not affect the validity of this ordinance.

SECTION 4.

It is hereby found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance was passed was open to the public as required by Texas law, and that advance public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given.

SECTION 5.

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force October 1, 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED on first reading at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Commerce, Texas on this the 8th day of September 2020.

PASSED AND APPROVED on second reading at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Commerce, Texas on this the 15th day of September 2020.

ATTEST:

CITY OF COMMERCE:


Molly Jacobsen, City Secretary


Wyman Williams, Mayor

(seal)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Charles Anderson, City Attorney

I, Molly Jacobsen, City Secretary of the City of Commerce, Texas, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance, and that the same has not been repealed and is in full force and effect.

(seal)


Molly Jacobsen, City Secretary
City of Commerce, Texas