

ORDINANCE 2024 – 10- 03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY OF COMMERCE CODE OF ORDINANCES; ESTABLISHING WATER & WASTEWATER RATES TO BE CHARGED BY THE CITY OF COMMERCE, TEXAS, FOR WATER TO PATRONS OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE WATER SYSTEM, PRESCRIBING RULES AND REGULATION IN CONNECTION WITH SERVICE; PRESCRIBING THE MANNER AND METHOD OF BILLING FOR SAME; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCE IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF COMMERCE, TEXAS

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT:

City of Commerce Code of Ordinances is hereby amended relative to Water & 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) Water rate: For residential, commercial, industrial, or institutional active connections with the system, rates are hereby fixed at the following rates using a monthly demand charge set according to meter size as follows, plus a charge for each 1,000 gallons of metered water.

Water Demand Charges: this charge is based on the size of the water meter used and the relative demand placed on the distribution system by that meter. The Demand Charge does not include any consumption.

5/8"	\$25.00	3"	\$325.00
1"	\$55.00	4"	\$505.00
1 1/2"	\$105.00	6"	\$1,005.00
2"	\$165.00	8"	\$1,605.00
2 1/2"	\$245.00	10"	\$2,305.00

Water Consumption Charges: this charge is based on the volume of water used as measured by the water meter and is billed 1,000 gallons at a time.

Customer Classification	Consumption Tiers (1,000 gals)	Consumption Rates per 1,000 gals
Residential (Single Family, Duplex, Triplex)	0 – 4	\$3.75
	5 – 15	\$6.50
	16 – 50	\$7.50
	> 50	\$8.50
Multi-Family Commercial (Quadplex, Apartments)	0 – 15	\$7.50
	16 – 50	\$7.50
	> 50	\$8.50

Commercial	0 – 15	\$7.50
	16 – 50	\$7.50
	> 50	\$8.50
Industrial	0 – 15	\$7.50
	16 – 50	\$7.50
	> 50	\$8.50
Institutional	0 – 15	\$7.50
	16 – 50	\$7.50
	> 50	\$8.50
Wholesale Water Contracts	Raw Water All Consumption	\$1.50
	Potable Water All Consumption	\$5.97

- (B) Wastewater rate: For residential, commercial, industrial, or institutional active connection with the system, rates are hereby fixed at the following rates using a monthly demand charge according to meter size plus gallon charges based on the water used, as registered by the users water meter.

Wastewater Demand Charges: this charge is based on the size of the water meter used and the relative demand placed on the collection system by that potential flows from that meter. The Demand Charge does not include any consumption.

5/8"	\$25.00	3"	\$208.00
1"	\$32.50	4"	\$325.00
1 ½"	\$65.00	6"	\$650.00
2"	\$104.00	8"	\$1,040.00
2 ½"	\$156.00	10"	\$1,495.00

Wastewater Consumption Charges: this charge is based on the volume of water used as measured by the water meter and is billed 1,000 gallons at a time.

For each single-family residential account, the wastewater consumption charge will be calculated based on the water consumption for the account, with a cap of 10,000 gallons of consumption:

- If the usage is below 10,000 gallons, the bill will be calculated on the usage.
- If the usage is over 10,000 gallons, the bill will be calculated on the cap amount of 10,000 gallons.

Customer Classification	Consumption Tiers (1,000 gals)	Consumption Rates per 1,000 gals
Residential (Single Family, Duplex, Triplex)	0-4	\$3.75
	5-10	\$7.50
Multi-Family Commercial (Quadplex, Apartments)	All consumption	\$7.50
Commercial	All consumption	\$7.50
Industrial	All consumption	\$7.50
Institutional	All consumption	\$7.50

Outside the City Limits:

- (A) Customers living outside city limits and businesses located outside the city limits shall be charged one and one-half (1 ½) times the rate being charged to residents within the city limits.

SECTION 3. 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 4. 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 5. 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 6. PASSED AND APPROVED on its **FIRST READING** at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Commerce, Texas on this the 17th day of September 2024.

PASSED AND APPROVED on its **SECOND READING** at a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Commerce, Texas on this the 1st day of October 2024.

ATTEST:

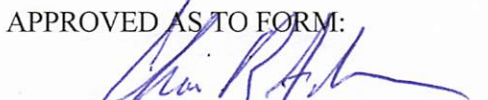
CITY OF COMMERCE:


Molly Jacobsen, City Secretary


Teddy Reel, Mayor

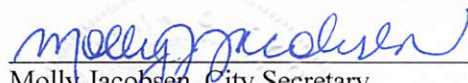
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:


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.

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Molly Jacobsen, City Secretary
City of Commerce, Texas