

RESOLUTION TO SET FEES FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Rockdale County Board of Commissioners has adopted ordinances regulating water and wastewater operation in Rockdale County, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, ordinances require the collection of certain fees for services provided by Rockdale County Water Resources; and

WHEREAS, the Rockdale County Water and Sewerage Authority and the Rockdale County Water Resources staff recommend that the Rockdale County Board of Commissioners set the fees for water and wastewater services as presented by the consultant; and

WHEREAS, Section 98-1(b) of the Code of Rockdale County, Georgia authorizes the Rockdale County Board of Commissioners to set fees for water and wastewater services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rockdale County Board of Commissioners hereby sets the fees for water and wastewater services as described in the attached rate structure identified as Exhibit "A" (as prepared by Rockdale Water Resources), and is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the fees established by the Rockdale County Board of Commissioners in this resolution and adopted by the Rockdale County Board of Commissioners shall become effective _____ 2019.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any resolution in conflict with this resolution is hereby repealed.

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2019.

ROCKDALE COUNTY, GEORGIA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: _____
Oz Nesbit, Sr, Chairman

By: _____
Doreen L. Williams

Attest:
By: _____
Jennifer Rutledge, County Clerk

By: _____
Sherry Washington

Approved as to Form:
By: _____
M. Qader A. Baig, County Attorney

EXHIBIT "A"
ROCKDALE WATER RESOURCES
WATER & SEWER RATE SCHEDULE

I. WATER BASE CHARGE

For all residential water customers, non-residential*, hydrant meter and irrigation** customers there will be a water charge per billing period according to the following table:

| Water Meter Size (Inch) | Base Rate |
|-------------------------|------------|
| 5/8 | \$14.63 |
| 1 | \$31.35 |
| 1 ½ | \$60.88 |
| 2 | \$93.85 |
| 3 | \$195.95 |
| 4 | \$333.35 |
| 6 | \$692.88 |
| 8 | \$1,008.73 |
| 10 | \$1,663.80 |

II. WATER VOLUMETRIC RATES & TIERS

| Residential Customers Gallons: | | Volume-Charge/1000gal | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| | Fiscal Year | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
| Block 1: | 0-3kgals | \$3.66 | \$3.88 | \$4.11 | \$4.35 |
| Block 2: | 4-7kgals | \$4.57 | \$4.84 | \$5.13 | \$5.44 |
| Block 3: | 8-12kgals | \$5.48 | \$5.81 | \$6.16 | \$6.53 |
| Block 4: | ≥13kgals | \$6.40 | \$6.78 | \$7.19 | \$7.62 |

*Non-Residential water volume rate for any volume = Block 2 volumetric rate

**Hydrant and irrigation water volume rate for any volume = Block 4 volumetric rate

III. SEWER BASE CHARGES

For all residential sewer customers and non-residential customers there will be a sewer charge per billing period according to the following table:

| Water Meter Size (Inch) | Base Rate |
|-------------------------|------------|
| 5/8 | \$14.63 |
| 1 | \$31.35 |
| 1 ½ | \$60.88 |
| 2 | \$93.85 |
| 3 | \$195.95 |
| 4 | \$333.35 |
| 6 | \$692.88 |
| 8 | \$1,008.73 |
| 10 | \$1,663.80 |

IV. SEWER VOLUMETRIC RATES

| <u>Customers</u> <u>Gallons</u> | Volume | Fiscal Year | | | |
|--|-------------------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
| Residential & Non-Residential | Any Volume | \$7.01 | \$7.43 | \$7.88 | \$8.35 |

V. OTHER MICELLANEOUS WASTEWATER FEES

A. **Wastewater Industrial User Fees.** Industrial level based on business SIC code.

Industrial Monitoring:

| <u>Industrial Class</u> | <u>Fee per month</u> |
|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Level 1 | \$300.00 |
| Level 2 | \$160.00 |
| Level 3 | \$25.00 |

Industrial Surcharge:

| <u>Allowable Limit</u> | <u>Cost per Pound</u> |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| BOD > 225 mg/L | \$.53 |
| TSS > 225 mg/L | \$.41 |
| Ammonia > 20 mg/L | \$.45 |
| Phosphorus > 10 mg/L | \$6.91 |

Computation: Excess Chemical factor X Liter factor (8.34) x effluent (MGD) x per pound charge x # of days.

Industrial surcharge includes any direct allocated expenses for any industrial pretreatment program maintained by Rockdale County.

B. *Wastewater Septage Dumping Fees:*

| Tank Size | Total Cost |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| 0-500 gallons | \$65.00 |
| 501 - 1000 gallons | \$125.00 |
| 1001 - 1500 gallons | \$187.50 |
| 1501 - 2000 gallons | \$250.00 |
| 2001 - 2500 gallons | \$312.50 |
| 2501 - 3000 gallons | \$375.00 |
| 3001 - 3500 gallons | \$437.50 |
| 3501 - 4000 gallons | \$500.00 |
| 4001 - 4500 gallons | \$562.50 |
| 4501 - 5000 gallons | \$625.00 |

- **An annual certification fee of \$100.00 per vehicle is required for all vehicles that are rated to haul 500 or more gallons.**
- **RV Fee requires no Annual Certification but minimum charge of \$65.00 if volume is less than 500 gallons.**
- **Septage Dumping Rate is \$.125 per gallon for all loads 1,000 gallons or larger.**

VI. GENERAL FEE SCHEDULE

Water & Wastewater Administrative and Connection Fees. General fees are hereby established for such services for such periods as follows:

| A. <i>Miscellaneous Administrative Fees</i> | <u>Fee</u> |
|--|---|
| Account Setup Fee (nonrefundable) | \$50.00 |
| Test meter (show accuracy) 5/8 inch meter only | \$50.00 |
| Test meter (show accuracy) all other meters | \$RWR cost of test |
| Re-read (show accuracy) | \$25.00 |
| Fire hydrant meter deposit | \$1,350.00 |
| Administrative Fee for non-payment | \$50.00 |
| After hours reconnection for non-payment | \$100.00 |
| After hours same day connection for new service | \$100.00 |
| Disconnect or Reconnect Fee for customer convenience | \$25.00 |
| Failure to apply for service (applicable deposit & water/sewer usage) | \$50.00 |
| Return Check | \$30.00 |
| Penalty for late pay | \$5.00 |
| | Or 10% of the |
| | Past due balance, whichever is greater |
| Miscellaneous utility damage | Forfeit of deposit & actual cost to repair / replace |
| Meter Tampering (Theft of Services) 1 st offense | \$300.00 |
| Meter Tampering (Theft of Services) 2 nd offense | \$600.00 |
| Penalty for non-compliance- failure to pump/report Fats, Oils, and Grease - 1 st notice | \$250.00 |
| Penalty for non-compliance of failure to pump/report Fats, Oils, and Grease- 2 nd notice | \$500.00 |
| Collection Agency Fee | 33% of total bill |
| Well Testing (includes kit) | \$40.00 |

B. New Service Deposits Water & Wastewater**RESIDENTIAL**

| Meter Size | Rate Code | Water Deposit | Water Deposit after Disconnect | Water & Sewer Deposit | Water & Sewer Deposit after Disconnect | Non-Refundable Application Fee |
|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| 5/8" | W01 | \$ 50 | \$ 100 | \$ 110 | \$ 220 | \$ 50 |
| 1" | W02 | \$ 70 | \$ 140 | \$ 140 | \$ 280 | \$ 50 |
| 1 1/2 " | W03 | \$ 100 | \$ 200 | \$ 230 | \$ 460 | \$ 50 |
| 2" | W04 | \$ 220 | \$ 440 | \$ 460 | \$ 920 | \$ 50 |
| 3" | W05 | \$ 745 | \$ 1,490 | \$ 1,595 | \$ 3,190 | \$ 50 |
| 4" | W06 | \$ 1,275 | \$ 2,550 | \$ 2,735 | \$ 5,470 | \$ 50 |
| 6" | W07 | \$ 2,660 | \$ 5,320 | \$ 5,695 | \$ 11,390 | \$ 50 |
| 8" | W08 | \$ 3,835 | \$ 7,670 | \$ 8,200 | \$ 16,400 | \$ 50 |
| 10" | W09 | \$ 6,175 | \$ 12,350 | \$ 13,210 | \$ 26,420 | \$ 50 |

NON-RESIDENTIAL

| Meter Size | Rate Code | Water Deposit | Water Deposit after Disconnect | Water & Sewer Deposit | Water & Sewer Deposit after Disconnect | Non-Refundable Application Fee |
|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| 5/8" | W21 | \$ 50 | \$ 100 | \$ 120 | \$ 240 | \$ 50 |
| 1" | W22 | \$ 130 | \$ 260 | \$ 290 | \$ 580 | \$ 50 |
| 1 1/2 " | W23 | \$ 270 | \$ 540 | \$ 590 | \$ 1,180 | \$ 50 |
| 2" | W24 | \$ 450 | \$ 900 | \$ 1,020 | \$ 2,040 | \$ 50 |
| 3" | W25 | \$ 745 | \$ 1,490 | \$ 1,595 | \$ 3,190 | \$ 50 |
| 4" | W26 | \$ 1,275 | \$ 2,550 | \$ 2,735 | \$ 5,470 | \$ 50 |
| 6" | W27 | \$ 2,660 | \$ 5,320 | \$ 5,695 | \$ 11,390 | \$ 50 |
| 8" | W28 | \$ 3,835 | \$ 7,670 | \$ 8,200 | \$ 16,400 | \$ 50 |
| 10" | W29 | \$ 6,175 | \$ 12,350 | \$ 13,210 | \$ 26,420 | \$ 50 |

C. *New Service Connection and Installation Fees*

a. *Water Connection Fees*

Water Line Extensions, that are SPLOST funded, funded by grants or other special funds, will have the following incentives if a customer agrees to service prior to the start of the construction of the water line. Payment is due when the meter is installed and service is available.

Incentive 1 - \$200 reduction in the installation fee if paid up front

OR

Incentive 2 - 24 months free financing

b. Water Meter Installation

| | Touch Read | Radio Read |
|-------------------------|---|------------|
| 5/8 inch meter | \$1,093.00 | \$1,213.00 |
| 1 inch meter | \$1,277.00 | \$1,427.00 |
| 1 ½ inch meter | \$2,435.00 | \$3,059.00 |
| 2 inch meter | \$3,191.00 | \$4,523.00 |
| 3 inch meter and larger | Customer furnishes and installs all materials, per Rockdale County water standards and specifications (3" & above). | |

CI. Water Capital Cost Recovery

All applications will be charged a nonrefundable administrative fee of \$200

| <u>Meter Size</u> | <u>FEE</u> |
|-------------------|--------------|
| 5/8 inch meter | \$1,400.00 |
| 1 inch meter | \$3,500.00 |
| 1 ½" meter | \$7,000.00 |
| 2 inch meter | \$11,200.00 |
| 3 inch meter | \$24,500.00 |
| 4 inch meter | \$42,000.00 |
| 6 inch meter | \$87,500.00 |
| 8 inch meter | \$126,000.00 |
| 10 inch meter | \$203,000.00 |

CII. Wastewater Capital Cost Recovery

All applications will be charged a nonrefundable administrative fee of \$200

1 Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) = 400 Gallons Per Day (GPD) = \$2,800.00

| <u>Type of Installation</u> | <u>Flow in GPD</u> |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| 1) Apartment | |
| 1 & 2 bedroom | 300 |
| 3 & 4 bedroom | 400 |
| Clubhouse | 500 |
| Laundry Per Machine | 400 |
| 2) Auditorium, Convention Center & Assembly Halls- Per Capita Max. Capacity | |
| 10 | |
| 3) Bar, Tavern | Per Seat 50 |
| 4) Campground | Per space 175 |
| 5) Car Wash | Per Bay or flow Calculation 750 |
| 6) Churches | Per Seat 5 |
| 7) Coin Laundry | Per machine or Flow Calculation 400 |
| 8) Commercial Laundry | Per machine or Flow Calculation 640 |
| 9) Country Clubs | Resident member 100 |
| | Non-resident member 25 |
| 10) Fast Food | Per seat 30 |
| 11) Heavy Industrial | Flow Calculation GPD |
| 12) Hospital | Per Bed 200 |
| 13) Light Industrial | Per Employee 25 |

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-----|
| | Per Employee Shower | 35 |
| 14) Motel & Hotel | Per unit w/restaurant | 100 |
| | Per unit w/o restaurant | 75 |
| 15) Offices | Per 1,000 sf | 175 |
| | Or Per employee | 25 |
| 16) Residence | Single family | 400 |
| 17) Restaurant | Per seat | 50 |
| 18) Retail & Shopping Centers | Per 1,000 so | 100 |
| 19) Service Stations | Per Car | 10 |
| | Per Employee | 25 |
| 20) Trailer Park | Per unit | 300 |
| 21) Theatre / Drive In | Per seat | 5 |
| | Per car space | 8 |
| 22) Warehouse | per 1,000 sf | 50 |

Other type of installations would use industry averages for the GPD calculation.

CIII. FIRE SYSTEM FEES

For all residential and non-residential water fire line customers with an independent dedicated fire line there will be a water charge per billing period according to the following table:

A. FIRELINE BASE FEES:

| Pipe Size (Inch) | Base Rate |
|------------------|-----------|
| 5/8 | \$5.00 |
| 1 | \$5.00 |
| 1 ½ | \$7.39 |
| 2 | \$13.14 |
| 3 | \$29.56 |
| 4 | \$52.56 |
| 6 | \$118.26 |
| 8 | \$210.24 |
| 10 | \$328.49 |
| 12 | \$473.03 |

CIV. ENGINEERING SERVICES:

| | | |
|----|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| A. | Inspection Field Services Fees | <u>Fees:</u> |
| | i. Water – 3 Inch meter or larger | \$300.00 |
| | ii. Wastewater – All Taps | \$150.00 |
| B. | Professional Services Fee | |
| | i. Backflow Customer List CD | \$50.00 |