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RESOLUTION NO. 3900

A RESOLUTION REPEALING AND REPLACING RESOLUTION NO. 3729; ESTABLISHING THE RATES FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES TO BECOME EFFECTIVE WITH THE FIRST BILLING CYCLE ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2020 OR WHEN THE CAPABILITY TO BILL THE RESIDENTIAL METER SIZED BASED CHARGES IS AVAILABLE, WHICHEVER IS LATER.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRYAN, TEXAS THAT:

1) The charge for water services furnished by the City of Bryan, Texas, to a customer shall be as follows:

A. RESIDENTIAL

	Volume Charge:	
Tier Structure:		Tier Cost:
0 – 30,000 gallons		$2.76/1,000 gallons
30,001 – 50,000 gallons		$3.00/1,000 gallons
> 50,000 gallons		$3.50/1,000 gallons
	Customer Charge:	
Meter Size:		Charge/Month:
5/8-inch		$9.70
1-inch		$10.30
1.5-inch		$11.30
2-inch		$12.70

B. COMMERICAL/INDUSTRIAL; BRYAN PUBLIC SHOOLS; CITY ACCOUNTS AND UTILITY OPERATIONS

	Volume Charge:	
Tier Structure:		Tier Cost:
Flat Rate		$2.38/1,000 gallons
	Customer Charge:	
Meter Size:		Charge/Month:
5/8-inch		$13.80
1-inch		$14.60
1.5-inch		$18.30
2-inch		$25.40
3-inch		$66.70
4-inch		$96.00
6-inch		$115.40
8-inch		$129.30
10-inch		$143.80
12-inch		$177.40

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C. SPECIAL CONTRACTS

	Volume Charge:	
Tier Structure:		Tier Cost:
Flat Rate		$4.05/1,000 gallons
	Customer Charge:	
Meter Size:		Charge/Month:
N/A		$13.74

D. BULK SALES (TRANSPORT LOADS)

	Volume Charge:	
Tier Structure:		Tier Cost:
Flat Rate		$11.08/1,000 gallons
	Customer Charge:	
Meter Size:		Charge/Month:
N/A		N/A

2) That the charge for wastewater services furnished by the City of Bryan, Texas, to a customer shall be as follows:

A. RESIDENTIAL

There shall be a wastewater fee of $7.88 per month plus $4.03 per 1,000 gallons of wastewater volume for each wastewater customer. This volume rate is based on median water consumption during the months of December through February. The wastewater fee for the following months of March through February is held constant using the second highest month's consumption of the December through February period.

When a customer moves into a residence during the months of March through February for which a wastewater charge has previously been established, the new customer shall pay the previously determined wastewater charge for that residence until the next evaluation period. The Utility Customer Services Division Manager and the Water Services Division Manager working together may adjust this fee in appropriate situations. In the event no previous rate was established, the wastewater fee charged shall be $33.00 per month (based on the City average of 6,230 gallons per month) until the evaluation period cycles as described in the preceding paragraph.

B. COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

There shall be a wastewater charge of $7.88 per month plus $3.80 per 1,000 gallons of wastewater volume based on monthly water consumption for each commercial/industrial wastewater customer.

C. HAULED WASTE PUMPINGS

Grease	$0.17/gallon
Grit	$0.21/gallon
Septage	$0.08/gallon

There shall be a convenience fee of $500 per load applied to each load received on weekends and on observed holidays. Convenience fees will be charged in addition to the

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hauled waste fee. This fee will not be charged for community-wide special events reviewed and approved by the department.

D. NEW RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION

There will be a wastewater charge of $7.88 per month on all new residential constructed homes. The builder will not be assessed a wastewater charge based on water consumption until a certificate of occupancy (CO) has been issued. After the CO has been issued, the wastewater fee charged shall be $33.00 per month (based on the City average of 6,230 gallons per month) until the evaluation period cycles as described in section "A" above.

E. VACANT RENTAL DWELLINGS

Customers who initiate a Continuous Service Agreement (CSA) with Bryan Texas Utilities (BTU) to accommodate vacant rental property will be charged a one-time fee of $15.00 per each CSA application. The CSA allows for water to be charged as used and for the wastewater fee to be calculated based on the water usage and at the commercial wastewater rate.

Once rented, previously established residential wastewater rates are applied to the new tenant's account. If the property was vacant, or the account was in the property owner's name during the residential wastewater rate setting period of December, January, and February, wastewater will be charged at the rate of $33.00 per month (based on the City average of 6,230 gallons per month) until the evaluation period cycles as described in section "A" above.

F. STATE REGISTERED WASTE HAULERS

State registered waste haulers for Wastewater Treatment Plant Sludge, Water Treatment Plant Sludge, Septic Tank Waste, Chemical Toilet Waste, Grit Trap Waste, and Grease Trap Waste shall apply for a permit to operate within the City. The fee for each permit is $200.00. Permits are valid for a period of two years. Haulers are required to obtain a permit for each vehicle that will be operating within the City.

G. CONTRACTS

Individual contracts may be negotiated outlining details of the service to be supplied, the term of the contract, and the obligation of each party. A fee may be charged to manage the contract. The contract may be used both inside and outside the City.

H. COOLING TOWER EVAPORATIVE CREDIT

In an effort to provide credit to a customer who may have a cooling tower system, a customer may enter into a contract with the City for a period not longer than five years at a time. This contract will require the customer to purchase through the City all necessary equipment to meter the water entering the cooling tower system and leaving the cooling tower system and for the metering to be conducted through the City's Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) system. Should the customer's metering point(s) not allow for the AMI system to communicate with the meters or allow for a meter to be installed due to piping or other conditions, the customer shall not be eligible for the credit. If the AMI meters lose connectivity with the AMI system and require the City to reprogram or replace equipment, the customer shall be responsible for the cost of the equipment plus the hourly rate for labor and equipment established by the contract.

3) The following schedule of fees shall be charged for installation of each water tap or sanitary sewer tap:

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A. SANITARY SEWER TAP FEES

Four inch (4")	$ 350.00

The tap fee includes making the connection to the main plus 10 feet of pipe. Any connections requiring more than 10 feet of pipe are considered long side taps. All long side taps require an additional charge of $15.00/ft. The length of a long side tap will be determined as the distance from the main to the property line minus 10 feet. **Note: All wastewater taps larger than 4" will be made by a contractor and will require a $100.00 inspection fee.**

B. POTATBLE WATER TAP AND METER FEES

Three quarter inch (3/4")	$ 400.00
One inch (1")	$ 500.00
One and one half inch (1 ½")	$ 800.00
Two inch (2")	$ 1800.00

The tap fee includes making the connection to the main plus 10 feet of pipe. Any connections requiring more than 10 feet of pipe are considered long side taps. All long side taps require an additional charge of $15.00/ft. The length of a long side tap will be determined as the distance from the main to the property line minus 10 feet. **Note: All water taps larger than 2" will be made by a contractor using a meter purchased from the City. The tap fee shall consist of the meter cost and a $100.00 inspection fee.**

C. TEMPORARY SERVICES

Customers requesting temporary construction water service (through an existing fire hydrant) shall initiate a Special Contract with the City. A cash security deposit of $1,000.00 will be required from the customer for each temporary service requested. Each deposit shall be refunded upon disconnection of the temporary service provided the customer has paid all rates and fees due the City through the use of the service and provided no damage was sustained to the meter assembly or the fire hydrant. The meter fee in this application is $400.00. Services covered by this fee include installing the meter and backflow prevention device, providing a 2-inch gate valve for customer use, testing the backflow prevention device, moving the meter to an alternate location within the job site, and retesting the backflow prevention device after reinstallation. Meters are the property of the City and shall be returned to the City when the specific job is completed. Each job site requires a separate Special Contract. The $1,000.00 security deposit may remain on file with the City; however, each job site requires a separate $400.00 fee.

D. ABANDONMENT OF TAPS

Customers requesting existing water and/or sewer taps to be relocated for any reason not initiated by the City shall pay the actual cost of the relocation. This includes the actual cost of a new tap (not the subsidized pricing described above in paragraphs 3.A and 3.B) and the actual cost to abandon the existing tap including any surface restoration (concrete, landscaping, etc.), labor, equipment, and materials for city staff. These charges shall be determined on an individual basis.

4) The following establishes fees and services associated with metering:

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A. TAMPERING

Tampering with a water meter will result in the meter being removed and a $100.00 charge to the account. Tampering includes but is not limited to altering and or adjusting the reading on the meter, turning the meter on after it has been turned off by an authorized City representative, installing piping or hose to bypass the meter, or installing piping and or hose to allow water service after a meter has been removed by authorized personnel. Once a meter has been removed for tampering, a $50.00 reinstallation fee will be required prior to a meter being reinstalled.

B. TURN ON/OFF SERVICE

Routine turn on/off service for vacations, home repairs and the like will be charged at the rate of $20.00 per visit.

C. METER TESTING

Customers may request to have the accuracy of their water meter verified. For 2" or smaller meters, this request typically requires replacing the meter so performance can be measured against a known standard. Due to their size, 3" and larger meters are tested in place; a calibrated test meter simultaneously records water flow/volume in series with the customer meter. Should the test determine the meter is either slow or within American Water Works Association (AWWA) specifications, the customer will be assessed a fee of $35 on their next utility bill. If the test results indicate the meter is fast, the testing fee will be waived and a credit may be issued for a proportional amount of water billed above the acceptable meter performance limits.

D. DAMAGED METERING COMPONENTS

Infrastructure put in place for the control, accountability, and protection of the water supply is the sole property of the City of Bryan. This equipment is to be operated and maintained by city staff. Damage to this equipment as the result of direct or indirect action by the customer or an agent acting on their behalf is the responsibility of the customer. Charges will be determined on a case by case basis.

5) The following establishes fees and services associated with fire hydrant flow testing requests:

A. FIRE HYDRANT FLOW TEST

This service is requested by developers or engineers for new development within the Water CCN of the City of Bryan. The testing is utilized to determine the hydrant flow and pressure capabilities of the water system during a fire event. The City's role is to perform and review the tests and collect the data for City records. The purpose of the fee is to recover the City's cost to provide this flow test service. If existing database records are adequate to satisfy the request for information, no fee will be assessed. However, if an outside request necessitates a new fire flow test be conducted, the requestor will be assessed a fee of $100 per hydrant.

B. FIRE HYDRANT FLOW TEST (AFTER HOURS)

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This service is necessary at some locations within the Water CCN to reduce traffic impact and preserve water quality to the public. This service is requested by developers or engineers for new development within the Water CCN of the City of Bryan. The testing is utilized to determine the hydrant flow and pressure capabilities of the water system during a fire event. The City's role is to perform and review the tests and collect the data for City records. The purpose of the fee is to recover the City's cost to provide this flow test service. If existing database records are adequate to satisfy the request for information, no fee will be assessed. However, if an outside request necessitates a new fire flow test be conducted, the requestor will be assessed a fee of $150 per hydrant.

6) The following establishes fees and services associated with fees associated with registration and testing of backflow prevention assemblies:

A. REGISTRATION FEES

A registration fee of $25 per assembly shall be charged for each backflow prevention assembly installed at a property. This fee will be accessed on an annual basis. Backflow prevention assemblies installed for lawn irrigation and assemblies installed at State-accredited schools will be exempt from this fee.

B. PERMIT FEES

A permit fee of $50 per applicant will be charged for each permittee providing testing of backflow prevention assemblies and fire line assemblies. This fee will be accessed annually.

7) Individual contracts may be negotiated outlining details of the service to be supplied, the term of the contract, and the obligation of each party.

8) All residential and commercial water and wastewater usage rates described herein shall be multiplied by 1.50 for any customers receiving service outside the city limits of the City of Bryan, unless covered under an agreement with another service providing entity such as the City of College Station.

9) The city shall reimburse for up to twenty four (24) months of any overcharges. Customers may be liable for up to six (6) months of undercharges.

10) This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption and the rates shall go into effect the first billing cycle on or after October, 1, 2020.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 22nd day of September, 2020, by affirmative vote of the Bryan City Council meeting in special session.

ATTEST: CITY OF BRYAN

Mary L Stratta

Mary Lynne Stratta, City Secretary

Andrew Nelson

Andrew Nelson, Mayor

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