


**CITY OF MARYSVILLE AGENDA BILL**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FOR ACTION**

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: July 11, 2022**

<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>	
Ordinance Amending Sections 14.07.010 and 14.07.060 of the Marysville Municipal Code	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	<b>DIRECTOR APPROVAL:</b>
Ken McIntyre, Assistant City Engineer	
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	
Public Works - Engineering	
<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	
Ordinance No. _____ Exhibit A – MMC 14.07.010 Revisions Exhibit B – MMC 14.07.060 Revisions	
<b>BUDGET CODE:</b>	<b>AMOUNT:</b>
N/A	N/A
<b>SUMMARY:</b>	
<p>The proposed ordinance will waive water meter upgrade fees and discount base water rates for single-family residences installing automatic fire sprinkler systems, where a larger meter is required to provide necessary fire flow.</p> <p>The ordinance proposes to amend Section 14.07.010 of the Marysville Municipal Code as set forth in Exhibit A. When a single-family residential unit requires a meter larger than 5/8" x 3/4" in order to supply a residential fire sprinkler system, the drop-in meter fee shall be charged at the same rate as a 5/8" x 3/4" meter. Water meter upsizing to 1" is typically required to provide minimum fire flows for a residential fire sprinkler system. The difference in price for installation between a 5/8" x 3/4" meter and 1" meter is \$60.</p> <p>The ordinance also proposes to amend Section 14.07.060 of the Marysville Municipal Code as set forth in Exhibit B, which will allow single-family residential units constructed with automatic fire sprinkler systems to be charged a bimonthly base water rate equal to the rate for a 5/8" x 3/4" meter, regardless of the size of meter installed. Within the City limits, the difference in the bi-monthly rate beginning in 2023 between a 5/8" service (\$25.52) and a 1" service (\$63.82) is \$38.30. A single-family residential customer with an automatic fire sprinkler system is essentially being penalized this amount. The difference in rate will go into effect beginning January 1, 2023.</p> <p>These changes were initially requested by the Marysville Fire District and supported by the Master Builder's Association.</p>	

<b>RECOMMENDED MOTION:</b>
I move to authorize the Mayor to sign and execute Ordinance No. _____.

CITY OF MARYSVILLE  
Marysville, Washington

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE, WASHINGTON, AMENDING SECTIONS 14.07.010 AND 14.07.060 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE, BY WAIVING WATER METER UPGRADE FEES AND DISCOUNTING BASE WATER RATES FOR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCES INSTALLING FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS.**

WHEREAS, the City is authorized under RCW 35.92 to establish and maintain water and sewer systems and establish rates for those services; and

WHEREAS, Section 14.07.010 of the Marysville Municipal Code establishes water meter installation fees in accordance with the following table:

Effective Date	11/1/2006
5/8" x 3/4"	\$500.00
3/4" x 3/4"	\$525.00
1"	\$560.00
1-1/2"	\$750.00
2"	\$850.00
3" and over	Charge time and material/ \$3,500 minimum

WHEREAS, Section 14.07.060 of the Marysville Municipal Code establishes bimonthly water rates in accordance with the following table:

Meter Size	AWWA Meter Factor	City Rate	Rural Rate	Outside UGA Rate
<b>Tier = factor * base rate</b>				
Multiple Residential Units (Per Unit)	N/A	\$24.53	\$36.81	\$49.07
5/8"	1	\$24.53	\$36.81	\$49.07
3/4"	1.5	\$36.81	\$55.19	\$73.59
1"	2.5	\$61.34	\$92.00	\$122.66
1-1/2"	5	\$127.62	\$191.43	\$255.24
2"	8	\$204.18	\$306.28	\$408.36
3"	16	\$408.36	\$612.55	\$816.73
4"	25	\$638.09	\$957.13	\$1,276.15
6"	50	\$1,276.15	\$1,914.21	\$2,552.28

8"	80	\$2,041.83	\$3,062.75	\$4,083.67
10"	115	\$2,935.13	\$4,402.70	\$5,870.27
12"	200	\$5,104.58	\$7,656.87	\$10,209.15

WHEREAS, water meter upsizing of up to 1” is typically required to provide minimum fire flows for residential fire sprinkler systems; and

WHEREAS, fire sprinklers inside a home reduce the chance of fire death by 80 percent and cut average property loss by an average of 70 percent, according to the U.S. Fire Administration; and

WHEREAS, children under the age of five and adults over the age of 65 are at elevated risk of injury or death caused by fire; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Marysville Fire District seek to reduce barriers to the installation of residential fire sprinkler systems; and

WHEREAS, the City, in collaboration with the Marysville Fire District and the Master Builders Association, have identified meter fees as a barrier to the installation of residential fire sprinkler systems; and

WHEREAS, for those single-family residences that require a 1” or greater meter for fire as a condition for residential sprinkler systems, reducing the water meter drop-in fee and bimonthly base rate to the amounts established in the municipal code for 5/8” meters will help incentivize installation of such sprinkler systems; and

WHEREAS, public health, safety, and welfare benefits from periodic updates to the municipal code.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 14.07.010 of the Marysville Municipal Code is amended as set forth in **Exhibit A**.

SECTION 2. Section 14.07.060 of the Marysville Municipal Code is amended as set forth in **Exhibit B**.

SECTION 3. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality thereof shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. Upon approval by the city attorney, the city clerk or the code reviser are authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance, including scrivener's errors or clerical mistakes; references to other local, state, or federal laws, rules, or regulations; or numbering or referencing of ordinances or their sections and subsections.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective five days after the date of its publication by summary.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

CITY OF MARYSVILLE

By \_\_\_\_\_  
JON NEHRING, MAYOR

Attest:

By \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

Approved as to form:

By \_\_\_\_\_  
JON WALKER, CITY ATTORNEY

Date of publication: \_\_\_\_\_  
Effective Date (5 days after publication): \_\_\_\_\_

## Exhibit A

### 14.07.010 Capital improvement charges.

(1) Capital improvement charges shall be assessed on all new connections to the water, sewer and storm water systems. Capital improvement charges shall also be assessed for a remodel or expansion of an existing building or use. For purposes of this section, an “existing building or use” shall mean all commercial or industrial buildings or uses, churches, schools or similar uses, and all residential buildings or uses where a remodel or expansion increases the number of dwelling units. The capital improvement charge constitutes an equity payment by new and existing customers for a portion of the previously existing capital assets of the system. Capital improvement charges also constitute a contribution to a long-term capital improvement program for the utility system which includes acquisition of new or larger water sources, construction of water storage and transmission facilities, and construction of sewer and storm water trunk lines and treatment facilities. Capital improvement charges shall be paid in full before a new connection or expansion or remodel to an existing building or use shall be approved. All payments shall be deposited in the utility construction fund and shall be made prior to building permit issuance for residential construction and prior to issuance of a certificate of final occupancy for commercial/industrial construction.

(2) The following capital improvement charges are established:

#### Residential Units

#### Connection Charges

Type of Connection		City Water	Outside Water	City Sewer	Outside Sewer	Storm Water
Residential*						
Effective Date	1/1/2005	\$3,675	\$4,305	\$3,120	\$3,495	
	1/1/2006	\$4,750	\$5,490	\$4,490	\$4,890	
	1/1/2011					\$95.00
Multifamily Residential**						
Effective Date	8/1/2012 through 8/1/2015	\$3,000	\$5,490	\$3,000	\$4,890	
Accessory Dwelling Unit***						
Effective Date	11/30/2021	\$1,662.50		\$1,571.50		

\*Residential living units include multi-unit housing and mobile homes for the purpose of water and sewer charges. For the purpose of the storm connection charge, only single-family units will be charged a flat fee; all other land uses will be charged based on the equivalent residential unit (ERU), as described below.

\*\*The connection charges for multifamily residential development shall be in effect for a three-year period from August 1, 2012, through August 1, 2015. Thereafter, the connection charges for multifamily residential development shall be the same as the connection charges for residential development.

\*\*\*Connection charges shall apply to attached or detached accessory dwelling units that are a detached structure or expand the existing single-family dwelling or that convert nonresidential space, such as a garage or part of garage into an accessory dwelling unit. Connection charges shall not apply to interior remodels that do not expand the existing single-family footprint of permitted residential space.

Water, sewer and storm water monthly utility billing charges for a single-family residential unit can also serve a single accessory dwelling unit as defined in MMC [22C.180.030](#). Each single-family residential unit with an accessory dwelling unit shall be charged a minimum of one base charge plus a charge based on the amount of water consumption. Accessory dwelling units with a separate water meter shall pay separate monthly water, sewer and storm water utility billing charges.

### Commercial/Industrial

#### Connection Charges

#### Water

City	
Effective Date	1/1/2005
0 – 2,000 gpm	\$1.64/sf
2,001 – 4,000 gpm	\$2.40/sf
4,001+ gpm	\$3.16/sf

Outside City	
Effective Date	1/1/2005
0 – 2,000 gpm	\$1.99/sf
2,001 – 4,000 gpm	\$2.87/sf
4,001+ gpm	\$3.80/sf

#### Warehouses

City	
Effective Date	7/15/2016
Warehouses/Storage	\$0.48/sf

Outside	
Effective Date	7/15/2016
Warehouses/Storage	\$0.65/sf

25% rate reduction for automatic sprinkler system.

## Sewer

<b>City</b>	
<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>1/1/2005</b>
Retail Sales/Manufacturing/ Churches/Schools/Day Care	\$1.03/sf
Offices/Medical/Dental/Nursing Homes and all other uses not listed	\$1.67/sf
Warehouses/Storage	\$0.49/sf
Restaurants/Taverns	\$2.38/sf

<b>Outside City</b>	
<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>1/1/2005</b>
Retail Sales/Manufacturing/ Churches/Schools/Day Care	\$1.24/sf
Offices/Medical/Dental/Nursing Homes and all other uses not listed	\$2.00/sf
Warehouses/Storage	\$0.65/sf
Restaurants/Taverns	\$2.86/sf

25% rate reduction for schools without kitchens.

## Storm Water

<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>1/1/2011</b>
1 ERU*	\$95.00

\*An equivalent residential unit (ERU) equals 3,200 square feet of impervious surface area. Nonresidential projects will be charged \$95.00 per ERU. See Chapter [14.19](#) MMC for definitions.

## Water Service Installation Fee

<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>11/1/2006</b>
5/8" x 3/4"	\$1,050
3/4" x 3/4"	\$1,075
1"	\$1,200
1-1/2"	\$1,600
2"	Time and materials costs/ minimum of \$1,900

### Drop-in Meter Fee

Effective Date	11/1/2006
5/8" x 3/4"	\$500.00
3/4" x 3/4"	\$525.00
1"	\$560.00
1-1/2"	\$750.00
2"	\$850.00
3" and over	Charge time and material/ \$3,500 minimum

When a single-family residential unit requires a meter larger than 5/8" x 3/4" in order to supply a residential sprinkler system, the drop-in meter fee shall be charged at the same rate as a 5/8" x 3/4" meter.

### Hotel/Motel Connection Charges

		City Water	Outside Water	City Sewer	Outside Sewer
Effective Date	1/1/2005	\$1,405	\$1,646	\$1,193	\$1,336
	1/1/2006	\$1,816	\$2,099	\$1,717	\$1,870

(3) "Floor space" is defined as the net square footage measured from the interior walls, including interior partitions.

(4) The capital improvement charges for sewer connections shall be reduced by \$50.00 per unit or \$0.045 per square foot when the affected property participated in a utility local improvement for the construction of the sewer main.

(5) Capital improvement charges for sewer connections to commercial and industrial units shall be reduced by 50 percent for any floor space in the premises which is committed to being used as warehouse space for storage purposes only.

(6) If the use of any premises connected to city utilities is converted from a residential occupancy to a commercial or industrial occupancy (as defined in subsection (2) of this section), or from a warehouse use to an active commercial or industrial use, the owner of the premises shall immediately report such conversion to the city and shall pay the extra capital improvement charge which is then required for such an occupancy. Failure to report such a conversion, and pay the extra charge, within 90 days of the new occupancy shall result in the extra charge being doubled as a penalty.



(7) The capital improvement charge for utility connections in recreational vehicle parks shall be calculated as follows:

(a) For each connection to a recreational vehicle pad, the charge shall be 50 percent of the charge provided in subsection (2) of this section relating to residential living units.

(b) For every other connection in a recreational vehicle park, the charge shall be the same as provided in subsection (2) of this section for residential living units.

(8) If a building with a lawful water and/or sewer connection to the city utility system is demolished and replaced with a new building requiring utility connections, the capital improvement charges assessed for the new connections shall be discounted by the amount which would have been paid, under current schedules, for the connections which previously served the demolished building. (Ord. 3202 § 1 (Exh. A), 2021; Ord. 3026 § 1, 2016; Ord. 2918 § 2, 2013; Ord. 2905 § 1, 2012; Ord. 2816 § 1 (Exh. A), 2010; Ord. 2775 § 1, 2009; Ord. 2670 § 1, 2006; Ord. 2607 § 1, 2005; Ord. 2557 § 2, 2004; Ord. 2556 §§ 1, 3, 2004; Ord. 2346 § 1, 2000; Ord. 2345 § 1, 2000; Ord. 2305 § 1, 1999; Ord. 2267 § 2, 1999; Ord. 1841 § 1, 1991; Ord. 1509, 1986; Ord. 1496, 1986; Ord. 1492 §§ 1 2, 1986; Ord. 1480, 1986; Ord. 1434, 1985).

## Exhibit B

### 14.07.060 Water rates.

#### (1) Definitions.

(a) "Water rates," as used herein, shall refer to the charge assessed by the city for all water consumed or used on property connected to the city water system. The rates shall be based upon the quantity of water passing through the water meter during each billing period.

(b) The normal "billing period" shall be a two-month cycle and shall be that period falling between two consecutive meter read dates. Charges for periods of less than two months shall be prorated both as to minimum charge and as to consumption; provided, however, the city may, at its discretion, elect to use a monthly billing period for selected accounts. If a monthly billing period is used, the consumption allowance and rate shall be one half that set forth in the bimonthly rate schedule.

(c) Billing Increments. Charges for water shall be computed on the nearest 1,000 gallons of consumption.

(d) "City rates" are those which shall be charged to all properties connected to the water system which are located within the city limits of Marysville.

(e) "CWSP rates" are those which shall be charged to all properties connected to the water system which are located outside the city limits of Marysville but are within the coordinated water system planning boundary.

(f) "OCWSP rates" are those which shall be charged to all properties connected to the water system which are located outside the city's coordinated water system planning boundary.

(g) "Multiple residential units" shall be defined as attached dwelling units which share a common water meter, including duplexes, townhouses, apartments and condominiums, and shall be defined as including mobile home parks.

(h) "Single-family residential units" shall refer exclusively to detached single-family dwelling units.

#### (2) Bimonthly Minimum Water Rates. Minimum charges for each billing period, and consumption allowances for such minimums, are established as follows:

Effective January 1, 2021:

Meter Size	AWWA Meter Factor	City Rate	Rural Rate	Outside UGA Rate
<b>Tier = factor * base rate</b>				
Multiple Residential Units (Per Unit)	N/A	\$24.53	\$36.81	\$49.07
5/8"	1	\$24.53	\$36.81	\$49.07
3/4"	1.5	\$36.81	\$55.19	\$73.59
1"	2.5	\$61.34	\$92.00	\$122.66
1-1/2"	5	\$122.66	\$184.00	\$245.33
2"	8	\$196.25	\$294.39	\$392.50
3"	16	\$392.50	\$588.76	\$785.02
4"	25	\$613.31	\$919.96	\$1,226.60
6"	50	\$1,226.60	\$1,839.88	\$2,453.17
8"	80	\$1,962.54	\$2,943.82	\$3,925.10
10"	115	\$2,821.16	\$4,231.74	\$5,642.32
12"	200	\$4,906.36	\$7,359.54	\$9,812.72

Residential & Multifamily	City Rate	Rural Rate	Outside UGA Rate
Volume Tiers (1,000 gal)			
0 to 6	\$1.32	\$1.98	\$2.64
7 to 20	\$4.62	\$6.93	\$9.24
21 to 30	\$5.28	\$7.91	\$10.57
31 and higher	\$5.94	\$8.91	\$11.88

Commercial	City Rate	Rural Rate	Outside UGA Rate
Volume Tiers (1,000 gal)			
0 to 6	\$1.32	\$1.98	\$2.64
7 and higher	\$3.30	\$4.96	\$6.59

Effective January 1, 2022:

Meter Size	AWWA Meter Factor	City Rate	Rural Rate	Outside UGA Rate
<b>Tier = factor * base rate</b>				
Multiple Residential Units (Per Unit)	N/A	\$25.02	\$37.55	\$50.05
5/8"	1	\$25.02	\$37.55	\$50.05
3/4"	1.5	\$37.55	\$56.29	\$75.06
1"	2.5	\$62.57	\$93.84	\$125.11
1-1/2"	5	\$125.11	\$187.68	\$250.24
2"	8	\$200.18	\$300.28	\$400.35
3"	16	\$400.35	\$600.54	\$800.72
4"	25	\$625.58	\$938.36	\$1,251.13
6"	50	\$1,251.13	\$1,876.68	\$2,502.23
8"	80	\$2,001.79	\$3,002.70	\$4,003.60
10"	115	\$2,877.58	\$4,316.37	\$5,755.17
12"	200	\$5,004.49	\$7,506.73	\$10,008.97

Residential & Multifamily	City Rate	Rural Rate	Outside UGA Rate
Volume Tiers (1,000 gal)			
0 to 6	\$1.35	\$2.02	\$2.69
7 to 20	\$4.71	\$7.07	\$9.42
21 to 30	\$5.39	\$8.07	\$10.78
31 and higher	\$6.06	\$9.09	\$12.12

Commercial	City Rate	Rural Rate	Outside UGA Rate
Volume Tiers (1,000 gal)			
0 to 6	\$1.35	\$2.02	\$2.69
7 and higher	\$3.37	\$5.06	\$6.72

Effective January 1, 2023:

Meter Size	AWWA Meter Factor	City Rate	Rural Rate	Outside UGA Rate
<b>Tier = factor * base rate</b>				
Multiple Residential Units (Per Unit)	N/A	\$25.52	\$38.30	\$51.05
5/8"	1	\$25.52	\$38.30	\$51.05
3/4"	1.5	\$38.30	\$57.42	\$76.56
1"	2.5	\$63.82	\$95.72	\$127.62
1-1/2"	5	\$127.62	\$191.43	\$255.24
2"	8	\$204.18	\$306.28	\$408.36
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12"	200	\$5,104.58	\$7,656.87	\$10,209.15

Residential & Multifamily	City Rate	Rural Rate	Outside UGA Rate
Volume Tiers (1,000 gal)			
0 to 6	\$1.37	\$2.06	\$2.75
7 to 20	\$4.81	\$7.21	\$9.61
21 to 30	\$5.49	\$8.23	\$11.00
31 and higher	\$6.18	\$9.27	\$12.36

Commercial	City Rate	Rural Rate	Outside UGA Rate
Volume Tiers (1,000 gal)			
0 to 6	\$1.37	\$2.06	\$2.75
7 and higher	\$3.43	\$5.16	\$6.86

Effective January 1, 2024:

Meter Size	AWWA Meter Factor	City Rate	Rural Rate	Outside UGA Rate
<b>Tier = factor * base rate</b>				
Multiple Residential Units (Per Unit)	N/A	\$26.03	\$39.06	\$52.07
5/8"	1	\$26.03	\$39.06	\$52.07
3/4"	1.5	\$39.06	\$58.57	\$78.09
1"	2.5	\$65.09	\$97.63	\$130.17
1-1/2"	5	\$130.17	\$195.26	\$260.35
2"	8	\$208.26	\$312.41	\$416.52
3"	16	\$416.52	\$624.80	\$833.07
4"	25	\$650.85	\$976.27	\$1,301.68
6"	50	\$1,301.68	\$1,952.50	\$2,603.32
8"	80	\$2,082.66	\$3,124.01	\$4,165.35
10"	115	\$2,993.84	\$4,490.76	\$5,987.68
12"	200	\$5,206.67	\$7,810.00	\$10,413.34

Residential & Multifamily	City Rate	Rural Rate	Outside UGA Rate
Volume Tiers (1,000 gal)			
0 to 6	\$1.40	\$2.10	\$2.80
7 to 20	\$4.90	\$7.35	\$9.81
21 to 30	\$5.60	\$8.39	\$11.22
31 and higher	\$6.30	\$9.46	\$12.61

Commercial	City Rate	Rural Rate	Outside UGA Rate
Volume Tiers (1,000 gal)			
0 to 6	\$1.40	\$2.10	\$2.80
7 and higher	\$3.50	\$5.26	\$6.99

(3) Calculation of Water Bill for Multiple Residential Units. In calculating the water bill for multiple residential units, the total number of dwelling units served by a water connection shall be divided into the water consumption for each billing period, expressed in gallons, to determine the average consumption per dwelling unit. The water rates shall be based upon the average consumption per unit during the billing period multiplied by the total number of units.

(4) Calculation of Water Bill for Mobile Home Parks. The total water bill for mobile home parks shall be calculated by applying the rate schedule to the total number of pads or mobile home sites on the premises which are in a condition ready for occupancy, regardless of whether the same are occupied during the billing period or not; provided, that for the first 24 months after a mobile home park, or a new addition thereto, is opened and connected to city utilities, its water bill shall be calculated by applying the rates only to such pads or mobile home sites as are actually occupied by mobile homes during each billing period; provided, however, for mobile home parks whose utility meter with the city was first activated less than three years preceding June 9, 1997, the effective date of Ordinance 2130, and for which billing on all pads or mobile home sites has occurred for less than two years preceding June 9, 1997, such mobile home parks shall be granted an additional 12 months from June 9, 1997, to pay only for such pads or mobile home sites which are actually occupied during each billing period; provided, further, that all fees, charges and rates paid by such mobile home parks to the city under prior provisions of this subsection and MMC [14.07.070\(4\)](#) as such subsections originally read or as subsequently amended, shall be nonrefundable notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection.

(5) Private Fire Protection Rates. Private fire protection rates for properties inside or outside of the corporate limits of the city shall be as follows:

Effective January 1, 2021:

- (a) Private hydrants, each: \$47.35 per year;
- (b) Wet standpipe systems: \$47.35 per year;
- (c) Dry standpipe systems: None;
- (d) Automatic sprinkler systems:
  - (i) Each owner of an automatic sprinkler system shall be charged a monthly rate based upon the size of the water service line that serves the system. The following are the bimonthly rates:

Size of Line	Bimonthly Charge
2-inch	\$51.49
3-inch	\$63.39
4-inch	\$77.87
6-inch	\$97.67
8-inch	\$128.07
10-inch	\$161.05
12-inch	\$186.03

Effective January 1, 2022:

(a) Private hydrants, each: \$48.30 per year;

(b) Wet standpipe systems: \$48.30 per year;

(c) Dry standpipe systems: None;

(d) Automatic sprinkler systems:

(i) Each owner of an automatic sprinkler system shall be charged a monthly rate based upon the size of the water service line that serves the system. The following are the bimonthly rates:

<b>Size of Line</b>	<b>Bimonthly Charge</b>
2-inch	\$52.52
3-inch	\$64.66
4-inch	\$79.43
6-inch	\$99.62
8-inch	\$130.63
10-inch	\$164.27
12-inch	\$189.75

Effective January 1, 2023:

(a) Private hydrants, each: \$49.26 per year;

(b) Wet standpipe systems: \$49.26 per year;

(c) Dry standpipe systems: None;

(d) Automatic sprinkler systems:

(i) Each owner of an automatic sprinkler system shall be charged a monthly rate based upon the size of the water service line that serves the system. The following are the bimonthly rates:

<b>Size of Line</b>	<b>Bimonthly Charge</b>
2-inch	\$53.57



Size of Line	Bimonthly Charge
3-inch	\$65.95
4-inch	\$81.02
6-inch	\$101.62
8-inch	\$133.24
10-inch	\$167.56
12-inch	\$193.55

Effective January 1, 2024:

(a) Private hydrants, each: \$50.25 per year;

(b) Wet standpipe systems: \$50.25 per year;

(c) Dry standpipe systems: None;

(d) Automatic sprinkler systems:

(i) Each owner of an automatic sprinkler system shall be charged a monthly rate based upon the size of the water service line that serves the system. The following are the bimonthly rates:

Size of Line	Bimonthly Charge
2-inch	\$54.64
3-inch	\$67.27
4-inch	\$82.64
6-inch	\$103.65
8-inch	\$135.91
10-inch	\$170.91
12-inch	\$197.42

(ii) As of January 1, 2010, automatic sprinkler systems without a separate meter and where the line is under two inches, will become part of the minimum water rate as a result of the rate restructuring.

(iii) As of January 1, 2023, residential lots constructed with automatic sprinkler systems shall be charged a bimonthly water rate equal to the rate for a 5/8" x 3/4" meter, regardless of the size of meter installed.

(6) Reduced Utility Charges in Special Cases. Upon application by a utility customer, the chief administrative officer or designee shall have the discretion to make reasonable and equitable reduction in utility accounts, on a case by case basis, in the following circumstances:

(a) If a private water line, valve, fixture, or other appurtenance is verified to be leaking as a result of accidental damage or natural deterioration of the same, and not as a result of abuse or willful neglect, the water bill for the subject property during the period of the leak may be reasonably and equitably reduced; provided, that a customer shall be required to pay the base rate plus at least 50 percent of the applicable overage rate for all water which was lost by reason of the leak. The sewer bill for the subject property during the period of the leak may also be reasonably and equitably reduced to an amount not less than the bill charged for the corresponding period the previous year.

(7) Calculation of Water Bill for School Facilities. The city rate for water as set forth in subsection (2) of this section shall apply to all school facilities, whether such facilities are within the city limits or not.

(8) Rate Relief. Low-income senior citizens and low-income disabled persons may be eligible for water and/or sewer rate relief pursuant to Chapter [3.63](#) MMC. (Ord. 3185 § 1, 2021; Ord. 3043 § 2, 2016; Ord. 2975 § 1, 2014; Ord. 2948 § 1, 2013; Ord. 2916 § 1, 2012; Ord. 2881 § 3 (App. A), 2011; Ord. 2836 § 1, 2010; Ord. 2816 § 1 (Exh. A), 2010; Ord. 2815 § 1, 2010; Ord. 2758 § 1, 2008; Ord. 2727 § 1, 2007; Ord. 2680 §§ 1, 3, 4, 2006; Ord. 2620 §§ 1, 3, 4, 2006; Ord. 2548 §§ 1, 3, 2004; Ord. 2457 § 1, 2002; Ord. 2394 § 1, 2001; Ord. 2181 §§ 1, 2, 1998; Ord. 2130 § 1, 1997; Ord. 2117 §§ 1, 2, 1997; Ord. 2109 § 1, 1996; Ord. 1840 § 1, 1991; Ord. 1809 § 1, 1990; Ord. 1789, 1990; Ord. 1434, 1985).