

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 29 OF THE GREENSBORO CODE OF ORDINANCES WITH RESPECT TO WATER RESOURCES

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

Section 1: That Section 29-46 of the Greensboro Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 29-46. - Generally; sewer rates; billing and availability charges.

Rates for water and sewer service shall apply only to the quantities shown in the corresponding brackets, and the cost of any quantity shall be the cumulative total of all portions of that quantity. Rates for monthly sewer service inside the city shall be a uniform charge of three dollars and ~~fifty-nine~~ ~~forty-eight~~ cents (~~\$3.59~~ ~~3.48~~) per one hundred (100) cubic feet of wastewater discharge plus a billing and availability charge as shown below:

Size of Meter	Billing and Availability Charge
5/8 "	<u>\$3.72</u> \$3.60
3/4 "	<u>5.99</u> 5.80
1 "	<u>18.88</u> 18.29
1 1/4 "	<u>45.00</u> 44.00
1 1/2 "	<u>75.00</u> 73.00
2 "	<u>126.00</u> 122.00
3 "	<u>252.00</u> 244.00
4 "	<u>396.00</u> 384.00
6 "	<u>758.00</u> 734.00
8 "	<u>1,218.00</u> 1,180.00

A billing and availability charge shall be charged with each billing, whether monthly or quarterly billing. Customers with quarterly sewer service inside the city shall be charged a billing and availability fee at the rate charged to customers with a 5/8 " meter shown in the table above for monthly sewer service.

Rates for sewer service outside the city shall be a uniform charge of eight dollars and ~~ninety forty-four~~ cents (~~\$8.90 8.44~~) per one hundred (100) cubic feet of wastewater discharge plus a billing and availability charge each bill as shown below:

Size of Meter	Billing and Availability Charge
5/8 "	<u>\$9.36</u> \$8.87
3/4"	<u>15.00</u> 14.22
1 "	<u>47.47</u> 45.00
1 1/4"	<u>113.00</u> 107.00
1 1/2"	<u>191.00</u> 181.00
2"	<u>315.00</u> 299.00
3"	<u>630.00</u> 597.00
4"	<u>993.00</u> 941.00
6"	<u>1,890.00</u> 1,792.00
8"	<u>3,040.00</u> 2,882.00

A billing and availability charge shall be charged with each billing, whether monthly or quarterly billing. Customers with quarterly sewer service outside the city shall be charged a billing and availability fee at the rate charged to customers with a 5/8 " meter shown in the table above for monthly sewer service.

No discounts shall be allowed from the rates fixed on the above schedule. If a meter was cut off or if a final bill for the account is generated before the end of the billing period, the actual consumption plus the billing and availability charge for the appropriate meter size shall be charged.

The annual sewer charge inside the city for unmetered accounts shall be based on seventy-two (72) units of sewer at the current inside rate per one hundred (100) cubic feet of wastewater discharge or a pro rata portion for the months that the service is provided. The annual sewer charge outside the city for unmetered accounts shall be

based on seventy-two (72) units of sewer at the current outside rate per one hundred (100) cubic feet of wastewater or a pro rata portion for the months that the service is provided.

Section 2: That Section 29-48 of the Greensboro Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 29-48. - Monthly rates inside the city; billing and availability charges.

- (a) *Residential water charges.* Monthly billed (inside) accounts with 5/8 " and 3/4" meters that are billed as residential accounts shall be charged a billing and availability charge of three dollars and **seventy-two sixty** cents (**\$3.72 ~~\$3.60~~**) or five dollars and **ninety-nine eighty** cents (**\$5.99 ~~\$5.80~~**) respectively, for each month. In addition, the account will be charged for water consumed as follows:

	Per Unit
First 3 units	<u>\$2.02</u> \$1.96
4th through 10th units	<u>2.90</u> 2.81
11th through 20th units	<u>3.66</u> 3.54
All units over 20	<u>5.04</u> 4.88

- (b) *Nonresidential water charges.* All monthly billed (inside) accounts not described in subsection (a) above or subsection (c) below shall be billed a billing and availability charge as follows:

Size of Meter	Billing and Availability Charge Inside the City
5/8 "	<u>\$3.72</u> \$3.60
3/4"	<u>5.99</u> 5.80
1 "	<u>18.88</u> 18.29
1 1/4"	<u>45.00</u> 44.00

1½"	<u>75.00</u> 73.00
2"	<u>126.00</u> 122.00
3"	<u>252.00</u> 244.00
4"	<u>396.00</u> 384.00
6"	<u>758.00</u> 734.00
8"	<u>1,218.00</u> 1,180.00

Consumption of water shall be billed at two dollars and ninety ~~eighty-one~~ cents (\$2.90 ~~2.81~~) per unit for all units.

- (c) *Irrigation use.* All inside monthly billed irrigation accounts (water metered separately for irrigation or other outside use only) shall be five ~~four~~ dollars and four ~~eighty-eight~~ cents (\$5.04 ~~4.88~~) per unit plus a billing and availability charge as shown in subsection (b) above.
- (d) *Fire meters.* Billing and availability charges on fire meters shall be based on the size of the main meter. However, the property owner may petition the Water Resources Director to have a lower charge based on the by-pass meter (if available) if they can demonstrate a clear history of inconsequential volumes passed through the larger meter.

Section 3: That Section 29-49 of the Greensboro Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 29-49. - Monthly rates outside city; billing and availability charges.

All water meters outside the corporate limits of the city shall be read monthly and shall be billed at the following rates:

- (1) *Residential water charges.* Outside accounts with 5/8 " and ¾" meters that are billed as residential accounts shall be charged a billing and availability charge of nine ~~eight~~ dollars and thirty-six ~~eighty-seven~~ cents (\$9.36 ~~8.87~~) or fifteen ~~fourteen~~ dollars and no ~~twenty-two~~ cents (\$15.00 ~~14.22~~) respectively, for each bill. In addition, the account will be charged for water consumed as follows:

	Per Unit
First 3 units	<u>\$5.05</u> \$4.79
4th through 10th units	<u>7.28</u> 6.90

11th through 20th units	<u>9.06</u> 8.59
All units over 20	<u>12.64</u> 11.98

- (2) *Nonresidential water charges.* All outside accounts not described in subsection (1) above or below shall be billed a billing and availability charge as follows:

Size of Meter	Billing and Availability Charge Outside the City
5/8 "	<u>\$9.36</u> \$8.87
3/4"	<u>15.00</u> 14.22
1 "	<u>47.47</u> 45.00
1 1/4"	<u>113.00</u> 107.00
1 1/2"	<u>191.00</u> 181.00
2"	<u>315.00</u> 299.00
3"	<u>630.00</u> 597.00
4"	<u>993.00</u> 941.00
6"	<u>1,890.00</u> 1,792.00
8"	<u>3,040.00</u> 2,882.00

Consumption of water shall be billed at seven ~~six~~ dollars and twenty-eight ~~ninety~~ cents (\$7.28 ~~6.90~~) per unit for all units.

- (3) *Irrigation use.* All outside irrigation accounts (water metered separately for irrigation or other outside use only) shall be charged twelve ~~eleven~~ dollars and sixty-four ~~ninety-eight~~ cents (\$12.64 ~~11.98~~) per unit plus a billing and availability charge as shown in subsection (2) above.

- (4) *[Sewer service; Town of Jamestown.]* Monthly rates charged to consumers provided sewer service by the Town of Jamestown should be as commensurate with sewer service charges adopted by the Town of Jamestown.
- (5) *[Sewer service; City of High Point.]* Monthly rates charged to consumers provided sewer service by the City of High Point shall be as commensurate with sewer service charges adopted by the City of High Point.
- (6) *Fire meters.* Billing and availability charges on fire meters shall be based on the size of the main meter. However, the property owner may petition the water resources director to have a lower charge based on the by-pass meter (if available) if they can demonstrate a clear history of inconsequential volumes passed through the larger meter.

Section 4: That Section 29-54 of the Greensboro Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 29-54. Miscellaneous water and sewer charges.

The following miscellaneous service charges are hereby adopted and approved:

Miscellaneous Services		Basis	Fee
(1)	Two-inch temporary valve on hydrant for flushing	First 2 hours	\$ 50.00
		Each additional hour	5.00
(2)	Meter on hydrant deposit	Per meter size	
		5/8", 3/4", 1"	200.00
		1 1/2"	300.00
		2", 3"	400.00
(3)	Water from fire station	First 1,000 gallons	20.00
		Each additional 1,000 gallons	5.00
(4)	Meter on hydrant	Per month, plus cost of water used	30.00
(5)	Reserved		

(6)	Extra service trip by meter service truck	Per trip	60.00
(7)	Illegal connection to meter setter (includes open bypasses)	Per meter size	
		5/8", 3/4", 1"	250.00
		1 1/2", 2"	400.00
		3", 4"	1,000.00
		6", 8", 10"	2,000.00
(7.1)	Illegal connection to fire hydrant	—	500.00
(8)	Water and sewer map photocopy	Up to 11" x 17"	1.00
(8.1)	Color printed maps, standard paper	Per size	
		8 1/2" x 11", 11" x 17"	5.00
		18" x 24"	6.00
		21" x 30"	9.00
		24" x 36"	12.00
		36" x 48"	15.00
(8.2)	Color printed maps, photo paper	Per size	
		8 1/2" x 11", 11" x 17"	7.00
		18" x 24"	12.00
		21" x 30"	15.00
		24" x 36"	18.00

		36" x 48"	22.00
(8.3)	Black and white printed maps, standard paper	Per size	
		8 ½" x 11", 11" x 17"	2.00
		18" x 24"	3.00
		21" x 30"	6.00
		24" x 36"	9.00
		36" x 48"	12.00
(8.4)	Maps on compact disk	Each	5.00
(9)	Application and cut-on fee	—	15.00
(10)	Special meter test (at customer's request)	Inches	
		5/8	60.00
		¾	60.00
		1	60.00
		1¼	90.00
		1½	90.00
		2	120.00
		3	150.00
		4	150.00
		6	180.00

		8	210.00
(11)	Meter take out	—	40.00
(12)	Laboratory testing fee	Per sample	20.00
(13)	Plan review fee for water or sewer (if both, then double fee)	0—1,000 LF	34.00 <u>43.00</u>
		1,001—2,000 LF	59.00 <u>74.00</u>
		2,001—5,000 LF	96.00 <u>120.00</u>
		Over 5,000 LF	145.00 <u>181.00</u>
		Lift Station Review	195.00 <u>244.00</u>
(14)	Sewer main inspection	Mobilization/1,000 feet	100.00
		Video inspection/feet	0.85
		Return trips each	250.00
		Inspection after repair	100.00
(15)	Late payment charges	After due date following second notice	20.00
		For second penalty	20.00
		After due date following second notice where no water or sewer service involved	15.00

(16)	Illegal use arrears bills	Cut off/turn on fee	40.00
(17)	High strength wastewater charges: BOD	Per 1,000 pounds over 200 mg/l	82.00
	SS	Per 1,000 pounds over 200 mg/l	76.00
(18)	Septage	Per 1,000 gallons	24.00
(19)	Raw water charges:		
	Inside city	Per hundred cubic feet	1.25
	Outside city	Per hundred cubic feet	2.50
(20)	Water deposits for residential tenants	—	150.00

Section 5. That the Section 29-59 of the Greensboro Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 29-59. - ~~Acreage and~~ Frontage fees for utility extensions outside of city limits

There are hereby established ~~acreage and~~ frontage fees for utility extensions outside of city limits as hereafter set out. The purpose of the fees is to partially recover directly from new customers outside the city the costs to extend the water and sewer utility beyond the municipal boundary. It is hereby declared that such charges are reasonable and necessary and results in a more equitable and economically efficient method of recovery of such costs to serve new customers outside of the city without placing an additional financial burden on existing customers. Hence, the following ~~acreage and~~ frontage fees are adopted and approved as follows:

Fee	Water	Sewer
Acreage (per acre)	\$580.00	\$580.00
<u>Frontage</u> Footage (per front foot)	12.00	16.00

Frontage ~~and acreage~~ shall be collected at the time of signing an annexation agreement. These fees are a prerequisite of voluntary annexation.

Property owners demonstrating that frontage ~~and acreage~~ fees have been paid to or assessed by Guilford County shall be exempt from these fees.

Front footage charge fees shall not be levied on county community development projects pursuant to regulations promulgated by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Section 6: That this ordinance shall become effective on and after July 1, 2017.

Section 7: That all ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.