

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-31

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 9.400 "WATER RATES" OF APPENDIX A "FEE SCHEDULE" OF THE BRIDGEPORT CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE.

WHEREAS, the City of Bridgeport is a home rule city acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Council previously adopted Ordinance No. 2015-16 on September 15, 2015 which amended Section 9.400 "Water Rates" of Appendix A "Fee Schedule"; and

WHEREAS, the staff conducted a water cost of service and financial plan study in conjunction with the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budget process; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend the schedule of fees for City services as codified in Appendix A to the Code of Ordinances regarding water rates; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that such water rate increases are necessary to fund the operating budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, TEXAS:

SECTION 1

That Section 9.400 "Water Rates" of Appendix A, "Fee Schedule" of the Bridgeport Code of Ordinances, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 9.400 Water Rates

(a) Monthly rates for water service shall be as follows:

(1) Residential Customers Within the City limits:

0-3,000 gallons	\$20.30 per month, minimum bill
3,001-10,000 gallons	\$3.90 per 1,000 gallons

Greater than 10,000 gallons \$5.43 per 1,000 gallons > 10,000 gallons

(2) Residential Customers Outside the City limits:

0-3,000 gallons \$33.56 per month, minimum bill

3,001-10,000 gallons \$5.74 per 1,000 gallons

Greater than 10,000 gallons \$7.68 per 1,000 gallons > 10,000 gallons

(3) Commercial Customers Within the City limits:

0-3,000 gallons \$27.79 per month, minimum bill

3,001-10,000 gallons \$4.62 per 1,000 gallons

Greater than 10,000 gallons \$6.45 per 1,000 gallons > 10,000 gallons

(4) Commercial Customers Outside the City limits:

0-3,000 gallons \$42.98 per month, minimum bill

3,001-10,000 gallons \$6.83 per 1,000 gallons

Greater than 10,000 gallons \$9.15 per 1,000 gallons > 10,000 gallons

(5) Large Commercial Customers (large industrial, commercial):

0-3,000 gallons \$24.47 per month, minimum bill

3,001-10,000 gallons \$5.06 per 1,000 gallons

Greater than 10,000 gallons \$6.26 per 1,000 gallons > 10,000 gallons

(6) Metered Bulk Water Customers (temporary rented and hydrant meters):

0-3,000 gallons \$35.65 per month, minimum bill

3,001-10,000 gallons \$6.52 per 1,000 gallons

Greater than 10,000 gallons \$8.09 per 1,000 gallons > 10,000 gallons

(7) Non-Metered Bulk Water Customers (temporary rented and hydrant meters):

0-3,000 gallons \$35.65 per month, minimum bill

3,001-10,000 gallons \$8.29 per 1,000 gallons

Greater than 10,000 gallons \$10.30 per 1,000 gallons > 10,000 gallons”

SECTION 2

This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances and of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Bridgeport, Texas, as amended, except where the provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances and such Code, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances and such Code are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if a phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not effect the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this ordinance of the unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section.

SECTION 4

All rights and remedies of the City of Bridgeport are expressly saved as to any and all violations of the provisions of any ordinances governing sewer rates as of the effective date of this ordinance; and any accrued violations, or pending litigation, both civil and criminal, whether pending in court or not under such ordinances, shall not be affected by this ordinance but may be prosecuted until final disposition by the courts.

SECTION 5

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, and it is so ordained. The rates will become effective on bills after October 1, 2016.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, TEXAS, BY A VOTE OF 5 TO 0, ON THIS THE 12 DAY OF September, 2016.

APPROVED:



Randy Singleton, Mayor

ATTEST:



Erika McComis, City Secretary

