

Introduced by McDavid

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Ordinance No. 022787

Council Bill No. B 77-16

AN ORDINANCE

amending Chapter 27 of the City Code as it relates to water and electric fees, billing and rates; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, Missouri, is hereby amended as follows:

Material to be deleted in ~~strikeout~~; material to be added underlined.

Sec. 27-18. Service fees.

(a) *Service initiation fee.* Each customer shall be charged a service initiation fee of six dollars (\$6.00) ~~for an initial utility service application which includes water and/or electric service, or five dollars (\$5.00) for utility initiation not including water and electric service.~~

(b) *Transfer fee.* All customers requesting transfers of services to a new location will be charged a five dollar (\$5.00) fee.

(c) *Disconnect/reconnect fees:*

(1) A ~~disconnection~~ fee shall be charged to a customer's account when a worker is dispatched to disconnect the customer's water or electric service for nonpayment. The ~~disconnection~~ fee shall be ~~fifteen dollars (\$15.00)~~ thirty dollars (\$30.00) for residential customers and ~~fifty dollars (\$50.00)~~ one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for all other customers.

(2) A ~~reconnection~~ fee shall be charged to a customer's account when ~~water or electric service is reconnected on a regular working day in the normal course of business.~~ The ~~reconnection~~ fee on a regular working day in the normal course of business shall be ~~fifteen dollars (\$15.00)~~ for residential customers and ~~fifty dollars (\$50.00)~~ for all other customers. ~~A~~ An additional reconnection fee of ~~seventy five dollars (\$75.00)~~ sixty dollars (\$60.00) shall be charged to a residential customer's account, and ~~a~~ an additional

reconnection fee of one hundred ~~fifty~~ dollars (~~\$150.00~~100.00) for all other customers, when the customer requests and receives same day reconnection service or requests and receives reconnection service on a weekend, a city holiday or any other time outside the regular working hours of the water and electric utilities~~light department~~.

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Sec. 27-19. Billing and payment.

(a) The city shall render a bill once during each billing period to every customer in accordance with the applicable rate schedule.

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- (g) Every bill for utility service shall clearly state:
- (1) Present and previous meter readings for water and electric service as well as ~~"service date to" and "service date from"~~ and number of service days.
 - (2) Fuel adjustment factor, except when value is zero.
 - (3) Consumption of water and electric services during billing period.
 - (4) Billing date.
 - (5) Water and electric meter numbers.
 - (6) Any previous balance.
 - (7) Amount of in lieu of gross receipts tax and sales tax.
 - (8) Date when bill will be considered delinquent.
 - (9) Amount due for utility charges.
 - (10) Current amount due and total bill.
 - (11) Tax and rate ~~codes~~classes.
 - (12) The address and/or phone numbers where information may be obtained on utility bills.
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(i) If partial payment is made, the department shall first credit all payments to the balance outstanding for utility service except for customers who have energy efficiency loans as authorized by section 27-167 of this code which are eligible for inclusion on the utility bill and subject to utility shut-off for nonpayment. In such event, a partial payment will be first credited to any delinquent energy efficiency loan payments.

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Sec. 27-54. Metering.

(a) Each of the following types of facilities shall comprise a metering unit and be metered individually; provided, however, that the owners of a multiple-family facility shall have the option of installing a single water meter for each facility, but the rate charged for water service on such single meter shall be as set forth under subsection (c) herein, and the account for water service shall be in the name of the owner or the owner's representative:

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(c) Whenever a mobile home park, apartment house or other multiple-family facility is served with water through a single meter, all applicable charges defined in section 27-122, section 27-123 or section 27-124 shall apply. the rate for such service shall be determined as follows:

- ~~(1) The minimum charge for each meter shall be the appropriate minimum charge set forth under section 27-122 or section 27-123.~~
- ~~(2) The total usage beyond the minimum shall be divided by the total number of residential dwelling units on the meter and the charge will be determined as if each unit had an individual meter (but not including the minimum charge).~~
- ~~(3) Total billing will then be the total of subsections (1) and (2) above.~~

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Section 27-121.3. Street lighting rate.

(a) Availability. The street lighting rate is available to any customer within the area served by the city's electric system for street lighting when such lighting facilities are unmetered and operated as an extension of the city's distribution system.

(b) Type of service. The city shall furnish, install, maintain and deliver electric service to automatically controlled lighting fixtures conforming to the department's standards and subject to the published rules and regulations of the city's water and light department.

(c) Light and fixture rates per month: Light and fixture rates with lamp size, lamp type, service type, pole type and standard pole-bracket arm mounted are as follows:

100 watt high pressure sodium post-top-luminaire underground service	\$ 11.65
100 watt high pressure sodium overhead service on existing pole	7.65
100 watt high pressure sodium overhead service new pole placement	8.65
100 watt high pressure sodium underground service on existing pole	12.77
100 watt high pressure sodium underground service new pole placement	13.77
175 watt high pressure sodium overhead service on existing pole	8.10
175 watt mercury vapor overhead service new pole placement	9.10
250 watt high pressure sodium overhead service on existing pole	9.18
250 watt high pressure sodium underground service on steel pole	30.59
400 watt high pressure sodium overhead service on existing pole	15.75
400 watt high pressure sodium overhead service new pole placement	16.75
400 watt high pressure sodium underground service on existing pole	20.87
400 watt high pressure sodium on special aluminum pole	24.13
400 watt high pressure sodium underground service on steel pole	33.57
400 watt high pressure sodium underground service new pole placement	21.87

Exception: Dual arm bracket with 400 watt high pressure sodium underground service on steel pole \$67.14 per month

Sec. 27-122.3. Water temporarily supplied by adjoining water district.

(a) Application: This rate shall apply to water supplied by an adjoining water district, when development occurs in the City of Columbia Water Service Territory, until city water mains have reached the development. Water meters shall be installed and read by city employees.

(b) The rates to be charged for water furnished to residential or commercial customers are hereby fixed as follows:

- (1) Rates per one hundred (100) cubic feet (1 ccf): All water, beginning with first one hundred (100) cubic feet (1 ccf): One hundred ten (110) percent of the applicable rate charged by the water district supplying the water.
- (2) Minimum charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a-b)(1), will be the amount listed in section 27-122(a)(2), based on meter size:

5/8 inch and 3/4 inch	\$ 5.40
1 inch	5.80
1 1/2 inch	8.35
2 inch	8.97

3 inch.....	21.96
4 inch.....	33.93
6 inch.....	67.86

Sec. 27-123. Water rates outside city limits—Residential/commercial multiple-family facilities.

(a) The rates to be charged for water furnished to residential customers, commercial multiple-family facilities customers, and multiple commercial facilities served with one (1) meter, outside the city limits are hereby fixed as follows:

- (1) Rates per one hundred (100) cubic feet (1 ccf), outside city limits:

All water, except applicable summer water usage, will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122(a)(1) multiplied by 1.33, rounded to the nearest cent, per ccf, beginning with first one hundred (100) cubic feet (1 ccf)\$3.71

Summer water usage as defined by subsection (b) will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122(a)(1) for summer water usage multiplied by 1.33, rounded to the nearest cent, per ccf.5.20

- (2) Minimum charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1) will be the amount defined in section 27-122(a)(2) multiplied by 1.33, rounded to the nearest center, based on meter size:

5/8 and 3/4 inch.....	\$11.04
1 inch.....	11.61
1½ inch.....	17.08
2 inch.....	17.90
3 inch.....	30.15
4 inch.....	44.70
6 inch.....	85.96

- (3) Fire flow charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1) and the minimum charge in subsection (a)(2) will be the amount defined in section 27-122(a)(3) multiplied by 1.33, rounded to the nearest cent, based on meter size for portion of system capacity necessary for providing public fire protection:

5/8 and 3/4 inch.....	\$2.06
1 inch.....	2.18
1½ inch.....	3.17
2 inch.....	3.40

3 inch.....	8.18
4 inch.....	12.65
6 inch.....	25.31

- (4) Backflow prevention charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1), the minimum charge in subsection (a)(2), and the fire flow charge in subsection (a)(3), is charged when a customer is required to install a backflow prevention device as outlined in section 27-57.

~~For e~~ Each backflow device at a customer location will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122(a)(4) multiplied by 1.33, rounded to the nearest cent.\$2.66

Sec. 27-123.1. Same—Commercial.

(a) The rates to be charged for water furnished to commercial customers outside the city limits who use fifty thousand (50,000) cubic feet (500 ccf) or less per month average during nonsummer months (October through May) are hereby fixed as follows:

- (1) Rates per one hundred (100) cubic feet (1 ccf), outside city limits:

All water, except applicable summer water usage, will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122.1(a)(1) multiplied by 1.33, rounded to the nearest cent. beginning with first one hundred (100) cubic feet (1 ccf)\$3.46

Summer water usage as defined by subsection (b) will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122.1(a)(1) for summer water usage multiplied by 1.33, rounded to the nearest cent.5.20

- (2) Minimum charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1) will be the amount defined in section 27-122.1(a)(2) multiplied by 1.33, rounded to the nearest cent, based on meter size:

5/8 and 3/4 inch.....	\$11.04
1 inch.....	11.61
1½ inch.....	17.08
2 inch.....	17.90
3 inch.....	30.15
4 inch.....	44.70
6 inch.....	85.96

- (3) Fire flow charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1) and the minimum charge in subsection (a)(2) will be the

amount defined in section 27-122.1(a)(3) multiplied by 1.33, rounded to the nearest cent, based on meter size for portion of system capacity necessary for providing public fire protection:

5/8 and 3/4 inch	\$2.06
1-inch	2.18
1 1/2-inch	3.17
2-inch	3.40
3-inch	8.18
4-inch	12.65
6-inch	25.31

- (4) Backflow prevention charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1), the minimum charge in subsection (a)(2), and the fire flow charge in subsection (a)(3), is charged when a customer is required to install a backflow prevention device as outlined in section 27-57.

For e-Each backflow device at a customer location will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122.1(a)(4) multiplied by 1.33 and rounded to the nearest cent.\$2.66

Sec. 27-123.2. Same—Large commercial.

(a) The rates to be charged for water furnished to commercial customers outside the city limits who use more than fifty thousand (50,000) cubic feet (500 ccf) per month average during nonsummer months (October through May) are hereby fixed as follows:

- (1) Rates per one hundred (100) cubic feet (1 ccf), outside city limits:

All water, except applicable summer water usage, will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122.2(a)(1) multiplied by 1.33, rounded to the nearest cent. beginning with first one hundred (100) cubic feet (1 ccf)\$3.23

Summer water usage as defined by subsection (b) will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122.2(a)(1) for summer water usage multiplied by 1.33, rounded to the nearest cent.5.20

- (2) Minimum charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1) will be the amount defined in section 27-122.2(a)(2) multiplied by 1.33, rounded to the nearest cent, based on meter size:

5/8 and 3/4 inch	\$11.04
1-inch	11.61

1½ inch.....	17.08
2 inch.....	17.90
3 inch.....	30.15
4 inch.....	44.70
6 inch.....	85.96

- (3) Fire flow charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1) and the minimum charge in subsection (a)(2) will be the amount defined in section 27-122.2(a)(3) multiplied by 1.33, rounded to the nearest cent, based on meter size for portion of system capacity necessary for providing public fire protection:~

5/8 and ¾ inch.....	\$2.06
1 inch.....	2.18
1½ inch.....	3.17
2 inch.....	3.40
3 inch.....	8.18
4 inch.....	12.65
6 inch.....	25.31

- (4) Backflow prevention charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1), the minimum charge in subsection (a)(2), and the fire flow charge in subsection (a)(3), is charged when a customer is required to install a backflow prevention device as outlined in section 27-57.

~~For e~~ Each backflow device at a customer location will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122.2(a)(4) multiplied by 1.33, rounded to the nearest cent.\$2.66

Sec. 27-123.3. Same—Columbia Regional Airport.

(a) The rates to be charged for water furnished to customers at the Columbia Regional Airport are hereby fixed as follows:

- (2) Minimum charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1) will be the amount listed in section 27-122.1(a)(2), based on meter size:~

5/8 inch.....	\$ 6.33
1 inch.....	6.64
1½ inch.....	8.60
2 inch.....	9.07

3 inch.....	19.04
4 inch.....	28.23
6 inch.....	54.28

- (3) Backflow prevention charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1), and the minimum charge in subsection (a)(2), is charged when a customer is required to install a backflow prevention device as outlined in section 27-57.

~~For e~~ Each backflow device at a customer location will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122.1(a)(4)......\$0.77

Sec. 27-124. Water rates, within former boundaries of dissolved Public Water Supply Districts No. 1 and No. 2, outside city limits—Residential/commercial multiple-family facilities.

(a) The rates to be charged for water furnished to residential customers, commercial multiple-family facilities customers, and multiple commercial facilities served with one meter, outside the city limits within the former boundaries of dissolved Public Water Supply Districts No. 1 and No. 2 are hereby fixed as follows:

- (1) Rates per one hundred (100) cubic feet (1 ccf):

All water, except applicable summer water usage, will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122(a)(1) multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the nearest cent. ~~beginning with first one hundred (100) cubic feet (1 ccf)~~.....\$3.23

Summer water usage as defined by subsection (b) will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122(a)(1) for summer water usage multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the nearest cent......4.52

- (2) Minimum charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1) will be the amount defined in section 27-122(a)(2) multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the nearest cent, based on meter size:

5/8 and 3/4 inch.....	\$9.60
1 inch.....	10.10
1½ inch.....	14.86
2 inch.....	15.57
3 inch.....	26.18
4 inch.....	38.82
6 inch.....	74.65

- (3) Fire flow charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1) and the minimum charge in subsection (a)(2) will be the amount defined in section 27-122(a)(3) multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the nearest cent, based on meter size for portion of system capacity necessary for providing public fire protection:

5/8 and 3/4 inch.....	\$1.79
1 inch.....	1.90
1½ inch.....	2.75
2 inch.....	2.96
3 inch.....	7.10
4 inch.....	10.98
6 inch.....	21.98

- (4) Backflow prevention charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1), the minimum charge in subsection (a)(2), and the fire flow charge in subsection (a)(3), is charged when a customer is required to install a backflow prevention device as outlined in section 27-57.

~~For e~~ Each backflow device at a customer location will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122(a)(4) multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the nearest cent.....\$2.34

Sec. 27-124.1. Same—Commercial.

(a) The rates to be charged for water furnished to commercial customers outside the city limits within the former boundaries of dissolved Public Water Supply Districts No. 1 and No. 2, who use fifty thousand (50,000) cubic feet (500 ccf) or less per month average during nonsummer months (October through May) are hereby fixed as follows:

- (1) Rates per one hundred (100) cubic feet (1 ccf):

All water, except applicable summer water usage, will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122.1(a)(1) multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the nearest cent. beginning with first one hundred (100) cubic feet (1 ccf).....\$3.04

Summer water usage as defined by subsection (b) will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122.1(a)(1) for summer water usage multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the nearest cent.....4.52

- (2) Minimum charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1) will be the amount defined in section 27-122.1(a)(2) multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the nearest cent, based on meter size:

5/8 and 3/4 inch.....	\$9.60
1-inch.....	10.10
1½ inch.....	14.86
2-inch.....	15.57
3-inch.....	26.18
4-inch.....	38.82
6-inch.....	74.65

- (3) Fire flow charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1) and the minimum charge in subsection (a)(2) will be the amount defined in section 27-122.1(a)(3) multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the nearest cent, based on meter size for portion of system capacity necessary for providing public fire protection.

5/8 and 3/4 inch.....	\$1.79
1-inch.....	1.90
1½ inch.....	2.75
2-inch.....	2.96
3-inch.....	7.10
4-inch.....	10.98
6-inch.....	21.98

- (4) Backflow prevention charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1), the minimum charge in subsection (a)(2), and the fire flow charge in subsection (a)(3), is charged when a customer is required to install a backflow prevention device as outlined in section 27-57.

For e Each backflow device at a customer location will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122(a)(4) multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the nearest cent.\$2.34

Sec. 27-124.2. Same—Large commercial.

(a) The rates to be charged for water furnished to commercial customers outside the city limits within the former boundaries of dissolved Public Water Supply District No. 1, who use more than fifty thousand (50,000) cubic feet (500 ccf) per month average during nonsummer months (October through May) are hereby fixed as follows:

- (1) Rates per one hundred (100) cubic feet (1 ccf):

All water, except applicable summer water usage, will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122.2(a)(1) multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the

~~nearest cent, beginning with first one hundred (100) cubic feet (1 ccf)
.....\$2.81~~

Summer water usage as defined by subsection (b) will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122.2(a)(1) for summer water usage multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the nearest cent.4.52

- (2) Minimum charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1) will be the amount defined in section 27-122.2(a)(2) multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the nearest cent, based on meter size:

1-inch.....	10.10
1½ inch.....	14.86
2-inch.....	15.57
3-inch.....	26.18
4-inch.....	38.82
6-inch.....	74.65

- (3) Fire flow charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1) and the minimum charge in subsection (a)(2) will be the amount defined in section 27-122.2(a)(3) multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the nearest cent, based on meter size for portion of system capacity necessary for providing public fire protection:

5/8 and ¾ inch.....	1.79
1-inch.....	1.90
1½ inch.....	2.75
2-inch.....	2.96
3-inch.....	7.10
4-inch.....	10.98
6-inch.....	21.98

- (4) Backflow prevention charge per month, charged in addition to the volume charge in subsection (a)(1), the minimum charge in subsection (a)(2), and the fire flow charge in subsection (a)(3), is charged when a customer is required to install a backflow prevention device as outlined in section 27-57.


~~For e~~ Each backflow device at a customer location will be charged the amount defined in section 27-122(a)(4) multiplied by 1.157, rounded to the nearest cent.\$2.31

SECTION 2. The new rates established in this ordinance shall be applied to utility bills beginning with the first complete cycle billed after April 30, 2016.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED this 4th day of April, 2016.

ATTEST:




City Clerk



Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



City Counselor