

**BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF
LAFAYETTE, OREGON**

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE
UTILITY RATES FOR THE
CITY OF LAFAYETTE, OREGON**)
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RESOLUTION NO. 2022-08

THE CITY COUNCIL (the "Council") OF THE CITY OF LAFAYETTE, OREGON (the "City") sat for the transaction of City business on Thursday, July 14, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Lafayette City hall.

WHEREAS, the Lafayette City Council has, pursuant to Lafayette Municipal Code (LMC) Section 4.155 and 4.007, the authority to set rates for users of its water and sewer utilities; and

WHEREAS, the Council has previously adopted Resolution 2019-07, establishing new water rates effective June 13, 2019, and

WHEREAS, the Council has previously adopted Resolution 2008-06, establishing new sewer rates and automatic annual increases effective February 14, 2008, and has previously adopted Resolution 2011-09, repealing the automatic annual increase for sewer rates effective March 10, 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Budget Committee approved a recommended water and sewer rate increase of 3.0% each in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 City Budget; and

WHEREAS, a rate increase is required to adequately fund operating costs and maintain existing infrastructure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Lafayette, Oregon as follows:

Section 1. Effective for the billing cycle beginning on or about July 20, 2022, water rates shall be increased by 3.0%, as set forth in the policies attached hereto as Exhibit 'A'.

Section 2. Effective for the billing cycle beginning on or about July 20, 2022, sewer rates shall be increased by 3.0%, as set forth in the policies attached hereto as Exhibit 'B'.

This resolution shall be and is effective from and after its passage by the Council.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 14th day of July 2022.

VOTE: Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Abstentions: Absent: 3 Vacancies:

CERTIFIED:

ATTEST:



Marie Sproul, Mayor



Kevin Perkins, Assistant City Administrator

EXHIBIT ‘A’ RESOLUTION 2022-08

WATER RATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Urban Rates: The “Urban Rate” shall apply to all users of water where the place of use is within the corporate limits of the City of Lafayette, Oregon (the “City”) and where none of the other rates below applies. The Urban Rate shall be as follows:

- Step 1: For the first 300 cubic feet, or any part thereof, in any month, the sum of \$54.03 minimum charge.
- Step 2: For the next 199 cubic feet, or any part thereof, (ie. 301-500 cubic feet) a charge of \$1.67 per 100 cubic feet.
- Step 3: For the next 199 cubic feet, or any part thereof, (ie. 501-700 cubic feet) a charge of \$2.29 per 100 cubic feet.
- Step 4: For the next 199 cubic feet, or any part thereof, (ie. 701-900 cubic feet) a charge of \$2.89 per 100 cubic feet.
- Step 5: For all consumption over 900 cubic feet (ie. 901 cubic feet and above) a charge of \$3.50 per 100 cubic feet.

Rural Rates: The “Rural Rate” shall apply to all users of water where the place of use is outside of the corporate limits of the City and shall be as follows:

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RV Park Rate: The RV Park Rate shall apply to recreational vehicle parks within the corporate limits of the City. An RV Park shall have one water meter (master meter) for the City to read. All lines, meters, and other water fixtures and facilities beyond that meter are to be maintained by the owner.

The rate for Sleepy Hollow RV Park is based upon a calculated equivalency of RV units to regular dwelling units. That equivalency of 45 RV spaces is equal to 9.67 Equivalent Dwelling Units (EDU). The minimum charge shall apply for the first 2900 cubic feet of consumption. Additional consumption charges are based upon the same EDU equivalency at the urban rate.

All residential units shall be subject to “Urban” or “Rural” rates as appropriate, notwithstanding the number of units on a single water meter.

Low Income Rate: Residential customers who meet the qualification criteria (per program guidelines) will have their water rate reduced by \$7.50 each month. This rate reduction is subject to continuation and funding of the program, in coordination with the Yamhill County Housing Authority.

Special Contract Rate: The City Administrator, with the advice and consent of the Council, may establish special contract rates, for in-city or out-of-city water users where such rate is established for the negotiation of an easement or when it is deemed to be in the interest of the City to do so.

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EXHIBIT 'B'

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SEWER RATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Residential: \$43.26 per month minimum charge, based on 0-300 cubic feet (cf) for winter water use. An additional \$3.84 per month per each additional 100 cf (\$1.28 per 33.3 cf). New customers will be charged the estimated amount of the average charge for residential customers with similar household size until their own rate can be determined during the normal winter water usage period. The residential rate will apply to all customers not otherwise identified in the special rate classes set out below.

Multi-Unit Residential: \$43.26 per month minimum charge, per residential unit. Additional \$3.84 per month per each additional 100 cubic feet.

Commercial Consumption (Café, Store, School, etc): \$43.26 base charge per month, based on 0-300 cubic feet. Additional \$3.84 per 100 cubic feet.

Recreational Vehicle Park: Based on water use during the billing month, \$7.81 per 100 cubic feet.

Master Meter: \$43.26 per month minimum charge, per unit for up to 300 cf per unit of winter water use. Increases thereafter on a per unit basis the same as residential. Abbey Heights Apartments minimum charge based on 32 units.

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