



MOTION: KELLY

SECOND: WITHERS

RE: Amending Water and Sewer Fees Rates and Charges

ACTION: APPROVED: Ayes: 7; Nays: 0

**May 11, 2021
Regular Meeting
Ordinance No. 21-11**

FIRST READ: April 27, 2021 SECOND READ: May 11, 2021

SEC. I. Introduction, purpose and authority.

Public water and sewer facilities, processes, equipment and personnel costs are sustained by revenues from the fees generated by the system, not by general government revenues. The City Council engaged the services of Municipal and Financial Services Group to perform a study of the water and sewer fees and charges. The conclusion of the study was that water and sewer fees and charges must be increased in order to cover current operating costs and debt service, and future capital needs and related debt service.

The Council adopts this ordinance pursuant to its authority under §15.2-2143 and §15.2-2119 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended. Public notice has been duly made and public hearings held in accordance with the requirements of the Code of Virginia.

SEC. II. Amending water and sewer fees and charges.

Therefore, the City Council hereby ordains that the City's *Water and Wastewater Rates and Charges*, regulations promulgated and published by the Director of Public Works, are hereby amended to incorporate the following changes.

1. Metered water service.

For metered water service, the bi-monthly service charge currently consists of a meter fee based upon a nominal meter size and a consumption fee based upon metered consumption. Both components of such charge are hereby increased, as follows:

Water Utility Fees	Current	Proposed	Change
Water Base Fees (bi-monthly rates)			
5/8" Fixed Fee	\$13.59	\$14.95	\$1.36
3/4" Fixed Fee	\$17.91	\$19.70	\$1.79
1" Fixed Fee	\$35.36	\$38.90	\$3.54
1 1/4 & 1 1/2 Fixed Fee	\$78.49	\$86.34	\$7.85
2" Fixed Fee	\$141.41	\$155.55	\$14.14
3" Fixed Fee	\$335.13	\$368.64	\$33.51
4" Fixed Fee	\$565.81	\$622.39	\$56.58
6" Fixed Fee	\$1323.94	\$1456.33	\$132.39
8" Fixed Fee	\$2256.54	\$2482.19	\$225.65
Water Commodity Charge			
Per 1000 gallons	\$2.77	\$3.05	\$0.28

2. Sanitary sewer service rates.

The bi-monthly sanitary sewer service charge currently consists of a meter fee based upon a nominal water meter size and a consumption fee based upon metered water consumption. Both components of the charge are hereby increased, as follows:

Sewer Utility Fees	Current	Proposed	Change
Sewer Base Fees (bi-monthly rates)			
5/8" Fixed Fee	\$21.33	\$23.46	\$2.13
3/4" Fixed Fee	\$28.11	\$30.92	\$2.81
1" Fixed Fee	\$55.50	\$61.05	\$5.55
1 1/4 & 1 1/2 Fixed Fee	\$123.20	\$135.52	\$12.32
2" Fixed Fee	\$221.96	\$244.16	\$22.20
3" Fixed Fee	\$526.06	\$578.67	\$52.61
4" Fixed Fee	\$888.13	\$976.94	\$88.81
6" Fixed Fee	\$1998.26	\$2198.09	\$199.83
8" Fixed Fee	\$3405.88	\$3746.47	\$340.59
Sewer Commodity Charge			
Per 1000 gallons	\$5.42	\$5.96	\$0.54

SEC. III. Effective date.

This ordinance shall take effect July 1, 2021.

Votes:

Ayes: Greenlaw, Frye, Devine, Duffy, Graham, Kelly Withers

Nays: None

Absent from Vote: None

Absent from Meeting: None

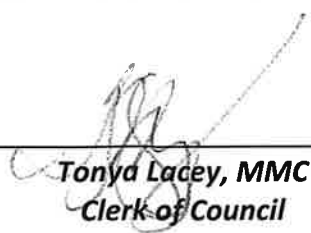
Approved as to form:



Kathleen Dooley, City Attorney

Clerk's Certificate

I, the undersigned, certify that I am Clerk of Council of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia, and that the foregoing is a true copy of Ordinance No. 21-11 duly adopted the City Council meeting held May 11, 2021 at which a quorum was present and voted.



Tonya Lacey, MMC
Clerk of Council

3. Water and sanitary sewer availability fees.

Water		
	Current	Effective July 1, 2012
Per Equivalent Residential Connection	\$2,250	3,000
Meter Size		
5/8 inches		3,000
3/4 inches		4,000
1 inch		7,800
1 ½ inches		17,300
2 inches & over (per ERC)		3,000

Sanitary Sewer		
	Current	Effective July 1, 2012
Per Equivalent Residential Connection	\$4,750	5,000
Meter Size		
5/8 inches		5,000
3/4 inches		6,600
1 inch		13,000
1 ½ inches		29,200
2 inches & over (per ERC)		5,000

4. Water and sanitary sewer connection fees.

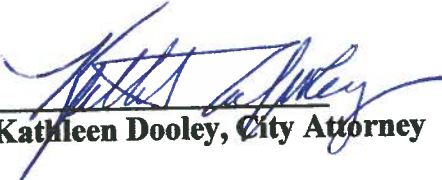
Water		
	Current	Effective July 1, 2012
Line Size		
3/4 inches	1,050	2,600
1 inch	1,250	2,900
1 ½ inches	2,300	3,100
All larger sizes	Cost + 10%	Cost + 10%

Sanitary Sewer		
	Current	Effective July 1, 2012
Lateral Size		
4 inches	2,100	5,100
6 inches	2,500	5,300
All larger sizes	Cost + 20%	Cost + 20%

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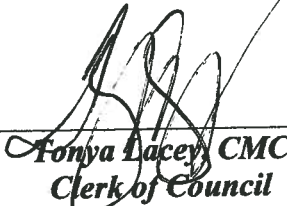
This ordinance shall take effect July 1, 2012.

Approved as to form:


Kathleen Dooley, City Attorney

Clerk's Certificate

I, the undersigned, certify that I am Clerk of Council of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia, and that the foregoing is a true copy of Ordinance No. 12-09 duly adopted the City Council meeting held May 8, 2012 at which a quorum was present and voted.


Tonya Dacey, CMC
Clerk of Council