

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, AMENDING SECTION 21-107(B) OF CHAPTER 21 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NORMAN INCREASING WATER LINE CONNECTION CHARGES AND REQUIRING REGULAR REVIEW OF CONNECTION FEES; AND PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

§1. That Section 21-107 of Chapter 21 of the Code of the City of Norman, Oklahoma, **Fees and Charges**, shall be amended to read as follows:

(a) *Capital improvement charge.* The City Controller shall increase, charge, and collect for sewer or water service furnished by the City, to all consumers and users for such service the following monthly rates or charges, which shall be in addition to the rates of sections 21-111, 21-112, and 21-113 of this Code; to wit:

(1) Two dollars (\$2.00) per each residence, apartment or mobile home to be applied fifty cents (\$0.50) to sewer line maintenance and one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) to water line maintenance.

(2) Sixty (60) percent of the sewer rate as calculated per section 21-112 of this Code, for all rooming, boarding, or fraternal housing institutions, industrial users, and commercial establishments.

(b) *Connection charge.* The following charges shall be assessed based upon the size of the water service line leading into and to be utilized for the furnishing of water to any use or structure:

(1) *Multi-family residential structures:*

<i>Water Service Size</i>	<i>Connection Charge</i>
¾" 1-4 living units	Effective May 11, 2007 \$850 per living unit
1" 5-8 living units	
1½" 9-16 living units	Effective August 1, 2015:
2" 17-28 living units	\$1,075 per living unit
3" 29-64 living units	
4" 65-114 living units	Effective August 1, 2016:
6" 115-257 living units	\$1,275 per living unit

(2) *Single family, commercial, industrial and other users not otherwise listed:*

<i>Water Service Size</i>	<i>Connection Charge Effective May 11, 2007</i>	<i>Connection Charge Effective August 1, 2015</i>	<i>Connection Charge Effective August 1, 2016</i>
3/4"	\$ 850	\$ 1,075	\$ 1,275
1"	\$ 1,420	\$ 1,883	\$ 2,217
1½"	\$ 2,840	\$ 3,767	\$ 4,433
2"	\$ 5,670	\$ 7,258	\$ 8,592
3"	\$13,600	\$ 16,358	\$ 19,292
4"	\$23,800	\$ 30,388	\$ 35,988
6"	\$52,140	\$ 64,514	\$ 76,048

These connection charges shall be collected prior to the furnishing of water or sewer service, or prior to the issuance of a building permit for the construction of or addition to any residential, commercial, or industrial structural unit located within five hundred (500) feet of any water or sewer line owned and operated by the City.

Should a request be made to connect a use, structure or group of structures to the water or sewer systems, by an applicant under conditions not requiring the issuance of a building permit, or if such connection is otherwise required by law or by this Code, and no charge has theretofore been collected which is attributable to such use, structure or group of structures, then, and in that event, the charges herein authorized, based upon the size of the water service line leading into and furnishing water to such use, structure or group of structures, shall be paid and a separate receipt for each use, structure or group of structures will be issued which shall constitute the permit to make such connection by the applicant.

Where an addition is to be made to any use, structure or group of structures, and such addition will require the installation of a larger water service line to service the total structure after alteration, the charge for such addition, which shall be the difference between the rate set for the line originally installed to serve said structure and the rate for the larger line to be installed shall be paid.

The City Controller shall establish and create an appropriate account into which all connection charges shall be daily deposited. All funds deposited in such account shall be expended for the acquisition, construction, replacement and extension of the water and sewer systems of the City, including water and sewer plants, or for the payment of bonds issued for the same purposes, and for no other. The account shall be a special utility account, created on a revolving basis pursuant to the law, in such case made and provided, without the necessity of appropriation. However, no expenditures for the acquisition, construction, replacement or extension of the water and sewer systems shall be made without an appropriation having been made for the specific expenditures to be undertaken.

City Council shall review the connection fees relative to their sufficiency to fund new capacity no later than November 1, 2016, and at least biennially thereafter, to determine

the appropriateness of the fees in accordance with Oklahoma Statutes, Title 62, Section 895.

- (c) *Discontinuance fee.* Where the City discontinues services or acts pursuant to an order of discontinuance under the authority of this chapter, the following fees shall be charged for restoration of services or to avoid service interruption:
  - (1) Fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each trip made under an order of discontinuance; and
  - (2) Twenty dollars (\$20.00) for meter removal.
- (d) *Installation fees.* Fees charged for the installation of new water service shall be as follows:
  - (1) Three-fourths or five-eighths inch, if installed by the City of Norman: Two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00).
  - (2) One (1) inch or larger, if installed by the City of Norman: An amount equal to actual cost thereof complete in place, plus twenty-five (25) percent for the City's supervision, tools and machinery furnished or used in the installation thereof; but in no case less than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00).
  - (3) When service is to be laid under concrete pavement or other all-weather road construction, whether large or small installation: An amount additional to sub-paragraphs (1) or (2), such amount equal to paying the cost of removing and replacing the pavement or other road construction in as good a condition as it was prior thereto or for boring under-street lines.
- (e) *Interruption fee.* A fee of five dollars (\$5.00) shall be charged users who desire to interrupt or to disconnect their water service for any period less than thirty (30) days and said user desires such service subsequently reinstated. Excluded from the provisions of this subsection are emergency repairs and service disconnections per section 21-106 of this Code.
- (f) *Temporary service fee.* A fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) shall be charged for a temporary turn-on of water service for testing or for other purposes for a period not to exceed ten (10) calendar days.
- (g) *Transfer fee.* A fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per transaction shall be assessed for transferring service to a customer from one address to another address.
- (h) *Initial hookup or new move-in fee.* A fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) per account shall be charged for each initial hookup or new move-in fee for any person, firm, or corporation establishing new utility service with the City.
- (i) *Cans and containers.* A fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) per account shall be charged for any person, firm, or corporation that fails to comply with the provisions of section

21-201. Each day that a violation or failure to comply exists shall constitute a separate and distinct offense, and may be set out in separate and distinct fees.

§2. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is, for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
\_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

NOT ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
\_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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Cindy Simon Rosenthal, Mayor

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ATTEST:  
Brenda Hall, City Clerk