

ORDINANCE NO. 15-067

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GALVESTON, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM RATES AND CHARGES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL ALL OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; MAKING VARIOUS FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF OCTOBER 1, 2015.

WHEREAS, the City of Galveston, Texas is authorized and required to fix uniform and adequate rates for its services; and

WHEREAS, an evaluation of the water and sewer system rates establishes a need to revise the rates and charges as set forth herein in order to meet the several objectives identified by the evaluation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds the rates and charges established herein are fair and equitable and serve a valid public purpose.

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

SECTION 1. The following schedules shall be the rate charged by the City of Galveston for all water sold by the City of Galveston for all purposes, to wit:

GENERAL SERVICE – SCHEDULE NO. 1

Designation: General Service

Applicable: For commercial, industrial, and governmental use within the territory served by the Water Distribution System of the City of Galveston, as available and at the option of the City.

Base Facility Charge, effective as of the dates listed:

Effective Date:	10/1/2015
5/8 X 3/4" Meter	\$ 9.54
1" Meter	\$ 21.56
1-1/2" Meter	\$ 41.58
2" Meter	\$ 65.61
3" Meter	\$ 129.69
4" Meter	\$ 201.78
6" Meter	\$ 402.03
8" Meter	\$ 642.33
10" Meter	\$ 922.68
12" Meter	\$1,723.68

A fixed charge designed to recover a portion of the fixed costs of the water system shall be applied to each meter based upon the size of the meter.

Volume Charge: Rates for each hundred cubic feet of metered water consumption effective as of the dates listed:

Effective Date:	10/1/2015
All Metered Use	\$ 4.05

RESIDENTIAL – SCHEDULE NO. 2

Designation: Residential

Applicable: For individually metered residential units, cottages, apartments, trailers or mobile home parks within the territory served by the Water Distribution System of the City of Galveston, as available and at the option of the City.

Base Facility Charge, effective as of the dates listed:

Effective Date:	10/1/2015
5/8 X 3/4" Meter	\$ 9.54
1" Meter	\$ 21.56
1-1/2" Meter	\$ 41.58
2" Meter	\$ 65.61
3" Meter	\$ 129.69
4" Meter	\$ 201.78
6" Meter	\$ 402.03
8" Meter	\$ 642.33
10" Meter	\$ 922.68
12" Meter	\$1,723.68

A fixed charge designed to recover a portion of the fixed costs of the water system shall be applied to each meter based upon the size of the meter.

Volume Charge: Rates for each hundred cubic feet of metered water consumption effective as of the dates listed:

Effective Date: 10/1/2015	Rate
First 500 Cubic Feet	\$ 1.62
Next 500 Cubic Feet	\$ 4.05
Next 1,000 Cubic Feet	\$ 6.08
All Use Above 2,000 Cubic Feet	\$ 9.12

IRRIGATION/SPRINKLER SERVICE – SCHEDULE NO. 3

Designation: Irrigation/Sprinkler Service

Applicable: For any customer with a second or dedicated meter for irrigation/sprinkler use within the territory served by the Water Distribution System of the City of Galveston, as available and at the option of the City.

Base Facility Charge, effective as of the dates listed:

Effective Date:	10/1/2015
5/8 X 3/4" Meter	\$ 9.54
1" Meter	\$ 21.56
1-1/2" Meter	\$ 41.58
2" Meter	\$ 65.61
3" Meter	\$ 129.69
4" Meter	\$ 201.78
6" Meter	\$ 402.03
8" Meter	\$ 642.33
10" Meter	\$ 922.68
12" Meter	\$1,723.68

A fixed charge designed to recover a portion of the fixed costs of the water system shall be applied to each meter based upon the size of the meter.

Volume Charge: Rates for each hundred cubic feet of metered water consumption effective as of the dates listed:

Effective Date: 10/1/2015	Rate
First 500 Cubic Feet	\$ 4.05
Next 1,000 Cubic Feet	\$ 6.08
All Use Above 1,500 Cubic Feet	\$ 9.12

SECTION 2. The following schedules shall be the rate charged by the City of Galveston for all sewer service provided by the City of Galveston for all purposes, to wit:

GENERAL SERVICE – SCHEDULE NO. 1

Designation: General Service

Applicable: For commercial, industrial, and governmental use within the territory served by the Sewer Collection System of the City of Galveston, as available and at the option of the City.

Base Facility Charge, effective as of the dates listed:

Effective Date:	10/1/2015
5/8 X 3/4" Meter	\$ 13.10
1" Meter	\$ 30.30
1-1/2" Meter	\$ 58.98
2" Meter	\$ 93.39
3" Meter	\$ 185.15
4" Meter	\$ 288.38
6" Meter	\$ 575.13
8" Meter	\$ 919.23
10" Meter	\$1,320.68
12" Meter	\$2,467.68

A fixed charge designed to recover a portion of the fixed costs of the sewer system shall be applied to each meter based upon the size of the meter.

Volume Charge: Rates for each hundred cubic feet of metered water consumption effective as of the dates listed:

Effective Date:	10/1/2015
All Metered Use	\$ 3.42

RESIDENTIAL – SCHEDULE NO. 2

Designation: Residential

Applicable: For individually metered residential units, cottages, apartments, trailers or mobile home parks within the territory served by the Sewer Collection System of the City of Galveston, as available and at the option of the City.

Base Facility Charge, effective as of the dates listed:

Effective Date:	10/1/2015
5/8 X 3/4" Meter	\$ 13.10
1" Meter	\$ 30.30
1-1/2" Meter	\$ 58.98
2" Meter	\$ 93.39
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All Metered Use	\$ 3.42

SECTION 3. With respect to any premises or users situated outside the corporate limits of the City of Galveston, which premises or users now or hereafter have active connections with the water or sewer system of the City, there shall be charged a rate equal to the charges established for service to residents of the City, plus a surcharge equal to one hundred percent (100%) of such charge. The foregoing surcharge shall not apply to users with whom the City has now or shall hereafter contract for services at charges established in such contracts unless the contract provides for surcharge.

SECTION 4. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance are severable and, if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance should be declared invalid by the final judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. All Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of such conflict only.

SECTION 6. In accordance with the provisions of Sections 12 and 13 of Article II of the City Charter this Ordinance has been publicly available in the office of the City Secretary for not less than 72 hours prior to its adoption; that this Ordinance may be read and published by descriptive caption only.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall be and become effective **October 1, 2015**, from and after its adoption and publication in accordance with the provisions of The City Charter of the City of Galveston.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



DONNA M. FAIRWEATHER
ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY

I, Janelle Williams, Secretary of the City Council of the City of Galveston, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance adopted by the City Council of the City of Galveston at its Regular Meeting held on the 27th day of August, 2015, as the same appears in records of this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I subscribe my name hereto officially under the corporate seal of the City of Galveston this 31st day of August, 2015.



Janelle Williams
Secretary for the City Council
of the City of Galveston