



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT



DEPARTMENT: Administrative Services

MEETING DATE: April 2, 2024

STAFF REFERENCE: Buffy Bullis, Director

AGENDA LOCATION: CC-2

GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 84308 APPLIES: No

TITLE: Adjustments for Sewer and Water Service Charges; Adoption of Ordinance No. 2024-04

OBJECTIVE: To adopt Ordinance No. 2024-04

BACKGROUND: On March 19, 2024, the City Council introduced and waived further reading, and the City Attorney read by title only Ordinance No. 2024-04, by a roll call vote.

This is the final adoption of the ordinance regarding sewer and water fee adjustments, pursuant to Prop. 218, in the absence of a protest by a majority of parcels of properties subject to the fee adjustments.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff continues to recommend approval of this ordinance.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUIRED: If the City Council concurs, the appropriate action would be a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2024-04.

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROVIA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A SCHEDULE OF WASTEWATER (SEWER) AND WATER SERVICE CHARGES

WHEREAS, the City Council is authorized pursuant to the California Health and Safety Code Section 5471 to prescribe, revise, and collect rates and charges for services and facilities furnished by the City in connection with the City's sewer service system and water service system.

WHEREAS, the City of Monrovia has conducted an analysis of its services, the costs reasonably borne by providing those services, the beneficiaries of those services, and the revenues produced by those paying fees and charges for special services; and

WHEREAS, the City has previously developed and instituted sewer and water service charges to finance the sewer and water utilities furnished by the City, including the costs of sewer and water system operations, capital projects, and maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the City has identified additional costs associated with operating the City's sewer and water system, as detailed in Resolution No. 2024-03 and Resolution No. 2024-04, adopted on January 16, 2024, incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 3.46 (Fee and Service Charge Revenue/Cost Comparison System) of the Monrovia Municipal Code establishes a policy of recovering the full costs reasonably borne of providing special services of a voluntary and limited nature, such that general taxes are not diverted from general services of a broad nature and thereby utilized to subsidize unfairly and inequitably such special services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2000-09 on the 25th day of April, 2000, establishing its policy as to the recovery of costs and more particularly the percentage of costs reasonably borne to be recovered from users of City services and directing staff as to the methodology for implementing said Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, a properly noticed public hearing to receive public comments and protests and to consider the proposed Schedule of Sewer and Water Service Charges was held on March 19, 2024.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROVIA, CALIFORNIA DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby adopts the sewer and water service charges set forth in the schedules below.

Schedule of Sewer Service Charges

Sewer Fee Description	Current Rate	Recommended Rates				
		FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28
<i>Effective Date</i>		<i>5/2/2024</i>	<i>7/1/2024</i>	<i>7/1/2025</i>	<i>7/1/2026</i>	<i>7/1/2027</i>
Residential	\$9.66	\$12.61	\$14.25	\$14.96	\$15.71	\$16.50
Multiple Dwelling						
For first unit	\$9.66	\$12.61	\$14.25	\$14.96	\$15.71	\$16.50
Plus, for each additional unit	\$5.42	\$4.51	\$5.09	\$5.35	\$5.61	\$5.89
Duplex	\$15.08	\$17.12	\$19.34	\$20.31	\$21.32	\$22.39
Triplex	\$20.50	\$21.62	\$24.43	\$25.65	\$26.93	\$28.28
Quadplex	\$25.92	\$26.13	\$29.52	\$31.00	\$32.55	\$34.17
Trailer Park						
For first space	\$9.66	\$12.61	\$14.25	\$14.96	\$15.71	\$16.50
Plus, for each additional space	\$5.42	\$4.51	\$5.09	\$5.35	\$5.61	\$5.89
Lifeline	\$3.62	\$4.74	\$5.36	\$5.63	\$5.91	\$6.20
Cemetery/Horticultural Facilities	\$9.66	\$12.61	\$14.25	\$14.96	\$15.71	\$16.50
Government/Public Facilities	\$156.10	\$210.65	\$238.04	\$249.94	\$262.44	\$275.56
Commercial/Industrial- (Corp, Motels, Hotels, Churches) For first 1,000 cubic feet of water used	\$21.03	\$23.89	\$26.99	\$28.34	\$29.76	\$31.25
Plus, for each additional 100 cubic feet of water used	\$0.23	\$0.24	\$0.27	\$0.28	\$0.30	\$0.31

As of the effective date of this Ordinance, the above Sewer Service Charges shall replace the existing charges and be charged and paid as set forth in the above schedule and shall remain in effect until amended or replaced by the City Council.

Schedule of Water Service Charges

FIXED RATES [STANDBY CHARGE] – EFFECTIVE 5/2/2024								
Single-Family Residential/ Multi-Family Residential			New Construction Developments of Five (5) or More Units			Hotel		
Meter Size	Current Rate	Eff. 05/02/24	Meter Size	Current Rate	Eff. 05/02/24	Meter Size	Current Rate	Eff. 05/02/24
5/8 inch	\$41.10	\$44.06	5/8 inch	\$55.23	\$59.20	5/8 inch	\$41.10	\$44.06
3/4 inch	\$41.10	\$44.06	3/4 inch	\$55.23	\$59.20	3/4 inch	\$51.38	\$55.08
1 inch	\$52.08	\$55.83	1 inch	\$69.98	\$75.02	1 inch	\$77.42	\$83.00
1.5 inch	\$82.13	\$88.04	1.5 inch	\$110.35	\$118.29	1.5 inch	\$143.82	\$154.18
2 inch	\$103.94	\$111.43	2 inch	\$139.67	\$149.73	2 inch	\$216.39	\$231.97
3 inch	\$158.77	\$170.20	3 inch	\$213.32	\$228.69	3 inch	\$408.22	\$437.62
4 inch	\$207.86	\$222.83	4 inch	\$279.30	\$299.41	4 inch	\$617.73	\$662.22
6 inch	\$347.07	\$372.07	6 inch	\$466.34	\$499.92	6 inch	\$1,201.14	\$1,287.65
8 inch	\$590.95	\$633.51	8 inch	\$794.03	\$851.21	8 inch	\$3,172.77	\$3,401.28
Fire Meter			Commercial / Industrial / Landscape			ADDITIONAL UNIT CHARGE [HOTEL & MULTI-FAMILY ONLY]		
Meter Size	Current Rate	Eff. 05/02/24	Meter Size	Current Rate	Eff. 05/02/24			
5/8 inch	\$30.56	\$32.76	5/8 inch	\$41.10	\$44.06	Each Multi-Family Residential (MFR) & Hotel is Currently Charged a Fixed + an Additional Unit Charge for Each Additional MFR or Hotel Dwelling Unit		
3/4 inch	\$30.56	\$32.76	3/4 inch	\$41.10	\$44.06			
1 inch	\$38.72	\$41.51	1 inch	\$52.08	\$55.83	Applicable to	Current Rate	Eff. 05/02/24
1.5 inch	\$61.06	\$65.46	1.5 inch	\$82.13	\$88.04	Hotel & All MFR	\$23.05	\$24.71
2 inch	\$77.28	\$82.85	2 inch	\$103.94	\$111.43			
3 inch	\$118.04	\$126.54	3 inch	\$408.22	\$437.62			
4 inch	\$154.54	\$165.67	4 inch	\$617.73	\$662.22			
6 inch	\$258.04	\$276.62	6 inch	\$1,201.14	\$1,287.65			
8 inch	\$439.36	\$471.00	8 inch	\$3,172.77	\$3,401.28			
12 inch	\$745.49	\$799.18						

CONSUMPTION RATES [PER UNIT CHARGE] - EFFECTIVE 5/2/2024		
Consumption Charges for All Classes		
Applicable to	Current Rate	Eff. 05/02/24
All Classes & Meter Sizes	\$2.44	\$2.62
Consumption Charges for New Construction Developments of Five (5) or More Units		
Applicable to	Current Rate	Eff. 05/02/24
New Const. Developments of 5+ Units	\$3.27	\$3.50

The rates for Lifeline will increase from \$3.30 to \$3.54 for 5/8" and 3/4" metered accounts and from \$5.95 to \$6.38 for 1" metered accounts. The per unit consumption rate will also increase from \$0.85 to \$0.91

As of the effective date of this Ordinance, the above Water Service Charges shall replace the existing charges and be charged as set forth in the above schedule and

shall remain in effect until amended or replaced by the City Council; provided, however, that each July 1, commencing July 1, 2025, through July 1, 2028, each Water Service Charge shall increase by an amount that is equal to the annual percentage increase in the Construction Cost Index, as provided by the Engineering News-Record for the twelve-month period ending the immediately preceding March 1.

SECTION 2. Discounts for the sewer and water service charges may be provided for senior, low income, and veteran account holders that meet the eligibility requirements established by the City and administered by the Public Works Department or the Administrative Services Department. The discount rates shall be set by resolution.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or place, is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this ordinance, and each and every section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions thereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance and cause the same to be published in the manner required by law within fifteen (15) days after its passage, and this ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its passage.

INTRODUCED this 19th day of March, 2024.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of April, 2024.

Becky A Shevlin
City of Monrovia

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Alice D. Atkins, MMC, City Clerk
City of Monrovia

Craig A. Steele, City Attorney
City of Monrovia