

ORDINANCE NO. 25-XXX

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 30, ARTICLE IV, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF KILLEEN, TEXAS, BY AMENDING COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL WATER RATES AND RESIDENTIAL SEWER RATES; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Killeen, Texas is a home-rule city acting under its charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 9 of the Local Government Code; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Killeen deems the continued operation and functionality of the City's water and sewer infrastructure to be of vital importance to the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare of its citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the City maintains sewer mains for the benefit of the public and desires to ensure proper functioning of the system and adopt the maintenance responsibilities for sewer service lines; and,

WHEREAS, sewer laterals between the main lines and the connection on private property are owned by individual property owners; and,

WHEREAS, a portion of such sewer laterals are often within the public right of way; and,

WHEREAS, the City wishes to provide for repairs and/or replacements as necessary for certain sewer laterals within the ROW; and,

WHEREAS, the City will outsource the management of residential sewer lateral repairs and/or replacements within the ROW and finds that one dollar and thirty-three cents (\$1.33) per month per customer for the warranty protection is reasonable; and,

WHEREAS, a Water and Sewer rate study has determined that in order to provide continued water and sewer service, it is necessary and in the best interest of the public health and safety to amend the commercial and residential water and sewer rates.

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

SECTION I. That Section 30-136 of the City of Killeen Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 30-136. Assessed.

- (a) The following water charges shall apply to all residential users for the consumption of water inside the city limits:

0 to 2,000 gallons — Meter size:

$\frac{5}{8}$ " and $\frac{3}{4}$ " ~~\$15.04~~ 15.54

1" ~~\$16.49~~ 16.99

1½" ~~\$20.13~~ 20.63

2" ~~\$24.48~~ 24.98

3" ~~\$34.65~~ 35.15

4" ~~\$49.20~~ 49.70

6" ~~\$86.61~~ 87.11

8" ~~\$129.10~~ 129.60

Applicable to all meter sizes:

2,001 to 15,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons: ~~\$3.38~~ 3.49

15,001 to 30,000 gallons per 1,000 gallons: ~~\$4.23~~ 4.46

Over 30,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons: ~~\$5.29~~ 5.57

- (b) The following water charges shall apply to all commercial users for the consumption of water inside the city limits:

0 to 2,000 gallons — Meter size:

$\frac{5}{8}$ " and $\frac{3}{4}$ " \$15.52

1" ~~\$19.63~~ 21.50

1½" ~~\$33.65~~ 40.19

2" ~~\$50.47~~ 62.62

3" ~~\$89.73~~ 114.96

4" ~~\$145.81~~ 189.74

6" ~~\$286.01~~ 376.67

8" ~~\$454.25~~ 600.99

Applicable to all meter sizes:

All over 2,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons: \$3.50

- (c) The following water charges shall apply to all apartment, small apartment, and mobile home park users for the consumption of water inside the city limits:

0 to 2,000 gallons — Meter size:

$\frac{5}{8}$ " and $\frac{3}{4}$ " \$~~15.04~~ 15.52

1" \$~~16.49~~ 16.99

1½" \$~~20.13~~ 20.63

2" \$~~24.48~~ 24.98

3" \$~~34.65~~ 35.15

4" \$~~49.20~~ 49.70

6" \$~~86.61~~ 87.11

8" \$~~129.10~~ 129.60

Applicable to all meter sizes:

All over 2,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons: \$3.38

- (d) The water rates for all residential users outside the city limits shall be equal to the rates for residential users inside the city limits plus fifty (50) percent:

0 to 2,000 gallons — Meter size:

$\frac{5}{8}$ " and $\frac{3}{4}$ " \$~~22.56~~ 23.31

1" \$~~24.74~~ 25.49

1½" \$~~30.20~~ 30.95

2" \$~~36.72~~ 37.47

3" \$~~51.98~~ 52.73

4" \$~~73.80~~ 74.55

6" \$~~129.92~~ 130.67

8" \$~~193.65~~ 194.40

Applicable to all meter sizes:

2,001 to 15,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons: \$5.07 5.24

15,001 to 30,000 gallons per 1,000 gallons: \$6.35 6.69

Over 30,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons: \$7.94 8.36

- (e) The water rates for all commercial users outside the city limits shall be equal to the water rates for commercial users inside the city limits plus fifty (50) percent:

0 to 2,000 gallons — Meter size:

$\frac{5}{8}$ " and $\frac{3}{4}$ " \$23.28

1" \$~~29.45~~ 32.25

1½" ~~\$50.48~~ \$60.29

2" ~~\$75.71~~ \$93.93

3" ~~\$134.60~~ \$172.44

4" ~~\$218.72~~ \$284.61

6" ~~\$429.02~~ \$565.01

8" ~~\$681.38~~ \$901.49

Applicable to all meter sizes:

All over 2,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons: \$5.25

- (f) The water rates for all apartment, small apartment, and mobile home park users outside the city limits shall be equal to the water rates for apartment, small apartment and mobile home park users inside the city limits plus fifty (50) percent:

0 to 2,000 gallons — Meter size:

⅝" and ¾" ~~\$22.56~~ \$23.28 \$31

1" ~~\$24.74~~ \$25.49

1½" ~~\$30.20~~ \$30.95

2" ~~\$36.72~~ \$37.47

3" ~~\$51.98~~ \$52.73

4" ~~\$73.80~~ \$74.55

6" ~~\$129.92~~ \$130.67

8" ~~\$193.65~~ \$194.40

Applicable to all meter sizes:

All over 2,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons: \$5.07

- (g) The meter rates for fire hydrant construction meters are as follows:

0 to 2,000 gallons: \$64.49

All over 2,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons: \$3.50

- (h) The meter rates for Stonetree Golf Course irrigation shall be equal to the M&O rate for potable water or reuse water rate per 1,000 gallons charged to the City of Killeen by Bell County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1.

SECTION II. That Section 30-151 of the City of Killeen Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 30-151. Rates.

- (a) The wastewater use rates for all users shall be based on and calculated by the water meter consumption less three thousand (3,000) gallons minimum times the

appropriate return flow factor times the cost for each unit of discharge plus the minimum charge shown below for each account category. (Example: Commercial account: Usage 10,000 gallons minus 3,000 gallons = 7,000 gallons: 7,000 gallons x 90% flow factor = 6,300 gallons; 6,300 gallons x 3.80 per 1,000 gallons = \$23.94 + \$20.65 (minimum charge) = \$44.59 (total charge))

The wastewater rate shall be per one thousand (1,000) gallons and the minimum monthly fee:

- (1) *Rate for single-family residential.* Twenty-one dollars and ~~seventy-six~~ fifty-nine cents (\$~~20.76~~ 21.59) minimum charge for the first three thousand (3,000) gallons, plus three dollars and eighty cents (\$3.80) per one thousand (1,000) gallons thereafter, not to exceed ten thousand (10,000) gallons.
 - (2) *Rate for two-family and multifamily (three- and four-unit) residential.* Twenty-one dollars and ~~fifteen~~ ninety-eight cents (\$21.~~15~~ 98) minimum charge for the first three thousand (3,000) gallons, plus three dollars and eighty cents (\$3.80) per one thousand (1,000) gallons in excess of minimum thereafter.
 - (3) *Rate for commercial and apartment customers.* Twenty dollars and sixty-five cents (\$20.65) minimum charge for the first three thousand (3,000) gallons, plus three dollars and eighty cents (\$3.80) per one thousand (1,000) gallons in excess of minimum.
 - (4) *Rates for motels.* Twenty dollars and sixty-five cents (\$20.65) minimum charge for the first three thousand (3,000) gallons, plus three dollars and eighty cents (\$3.80) per one thousand (1,000) gallons in excess of minimum thereafter.
 - (5) *Rate for mobile home parks.* Twenty-one dollars and fifteen cents (\$21.15) per unit minimum charge for the first three thousand (3,000) gallons per unit, plus three dollars and eighty cents (\$3.80) per one thousand (1,000) gallons in excess of minimum, not to exceed ten thousand (10,000) gallons per unit.
 - (6) *Rate for residential outside city limits.* The wastewater rates for all users outside the city limits shall be equal to the rates for residential inside the city limits plus fifty (50) percent.
 - (7) *Rate for commercial outside city limits.* The wastewater rates for all users outside the city limits shall be equal to the rates for commercial inside the city limits plus fifty (50) percent.
- (b) The following return flow factors will be applied for each class of sewer customer:
- (1) Residential 100%
 - (2) Commercial 90%
 - (3) Outside city residential 100%
 - (4) Apartments, motels, etc. 90%
 - (5) Laundries and car wash 90%
 - (6) Industrial 90%
 - (7) Mobile home parks 100%

- (8) Outside city commercial 100%
- (c) The return flow in gallons is determined by multiplying the water meter consumption, less three thousand (3,000) gallons minimum, times the return flow factor for each specific classification (i.e., usage 10,000 gallons minus 3,000 gallons minimum = 7,000 gallons; 7,000 gallons x 90% flow factor = 6,300 gallons).
- (1) *Residential*. One hundred (100) percent of metered water up to ten thousand (10,000) gallons per month.
 - (2) *Commercial*. Ninety (90) percent of metered water.
 - (3) *Outside city residential*. One hundred (100) percent of metered water up to ten thousand (10,000) gallons per month.
 - (4) *Apartments, motels, etc.* Ninety (90) percent of metered water.
 - (5) *Laundries and car wash*. Ninety (90) percent of metered water.
 - (6) *Industrial*. Ninety (90) percent of metered water.
 - (7) *Mobile home parks*. One hundred (100) percent of metered water up to ten thousand (10,000) gallons per unit.
 - (8) *Outside city commercial*. One hundred (100) percent of metered water.

SECTION III. That should any section or part of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, it shall not invalidate or impair the validity, force, or effect of any other section or parts of this ordinance.

SECTION IV. That all ordinances and resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION V. That this ordinance shall take effect October 1, 2025.

PASSED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Killeen, Texas, this 16th day of September 2025, at which meeting a quorum was present, held in accordance with the provisions of V.T.C.A., Government Code, § 551.001, *et seq.*

APPROVED:

Debbie Nash-King, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Laura J. Calcote, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Holli C. Clements, CITY ATTORNEY