

RESOLUTION NO. 620

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FILER, IDAHO, TO ADJUST WATER SYSTEM RATES AND CHARGES BY INCREASING THE CHARGE FOR REGULAR CHARGES; INCREASING THE CHARGE FOR MINIMUM MONTHLY CHARGES; INCREASING THE CHARGE FOR CONNECTION FEES; LEAVING THE PRESSURIZED IRRIGATION CHARGES, TURN ON/OFF CHARGES, AND WATER SYSTEM CAPACITY FEES UNCHANGED; LEAVING ALL SEWER RATES AND CHARGES UNCHANGED; AND LEAVING ALL SANITATION SERVICE RATES.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 615, the City of Filer set the water system rates and charges and sewer user rates and charges for all properties connected to the Filer sewer system; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Filer City Code Section 7-3-1-1, water system rates and charges shall be established by resolution of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Filer City Code Section 7-3-2-1 sewer user rates and charges shall be established by resolution of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Filer City Code Section 4-1-6 (As amended by Ordinance No. 613) sanitation service rates shall be established by resolution of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the benefits derived by the users of these services, the need for resources to repay existing indebtedness, the operation and maintenance of the water and sewer distribution facilities, the necessity for a reserve fund sufficient to pay for future capital improvements to the systems, and the need for conservation of water and the City Council has determined that that an adjustment to the City's water system rates and charges for all properties connected to the Filer sewer system is necessary and

WHEREAS, a public hearing for the City's proposed utility fee increases for water services was held on September 3, 2019, to review comment on the proposed rate adjustment; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the pressured irrigation charge, turn on/off charges, water system capacity fees, sewer user rates, and sanitation rates and charges shall remain unchanged; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that is necessary to increase the monthly water system rates by \$5.00 per month beginning with the billing cycle ran on or about October 30, 2019, and mailed to customers on or about October 31, 2019, for the billing cycle beginning September 15, 2019, and ending on October 15, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is necessary to increase the connection fees for each new user (new construction) with regard to the cost of the meter, meter pit, setter, ring, cover, corp stop and curb stop and requiring a 1" meter for new developments.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FILER, IDAHO THAT:

1. **WATER SYSTEM RATES AND CHARGES: Effective October 1, 2019,** water system rates and charges for all properties connected to the Filer sewer system are established as follows:

A. Regular Charges:

5/8" meter monthly minimum with 10,000 gallons at \$42.00
Next 40,000 gallons at \$0.42 per 1,000 gallons
Next 100,000 gallons at \$0.60 per 1,000 gallons
Next 850,000 gallons at \$0.85 per 1,000 gallons
All additional gallons at \$1.00 per 1,000 gallons

Minimum monthly charges shall be as follows:

Per Unit Charge for Multi-units	\$42.00
5/8" meter	\$42.00
1" meter	\$42.50
1 1/4" meter	\$43.50
1 1/2" meter	\$44.50
2" meter	\$45.50
4" meter	\$61.50
6" meter	\$77.00
8" meter	\$92.50

- B. Pressurized Irrigation: A flat rate of \$60.00/year, to be paid \$5.00/month.
- C. Service Outside City Limits: All charges to users outside the City limits shall be double the rates above specified.
- D. Turn On/Off Charges: There will be no charge for turn-off and turn-on of water service at the request of the homeowner or occupant for repair, provided such turn-off and turn-on is done between the hours of eight o'clock (8:00) A.M. and five o'clock (5:00) P.M. on weekdays, holidays excluded. The charges for turning the water service off and on, at the request of the homeowner or occupant after five o'clock (5:00) P.M. until eight o'clock (8:00) A.M. weekdays, shall be ten dollars (\$10.00), five dollars (\$5.00) to turn the water off and five dollars (\$5.00) to turn the water on, applicable twenty-four (24) hours a day on weekends and holidays. Residential or commercial service turn-ons and turn-offs for purposes of temporary vacations or winters in other states or communities shall not be charged to have the water turned off when they leave and turned on when they return to their homes if done on weekdays between eight o'clock (8:00)

A.M. and five o'clock (5:00) P.M., excluding holidays.

E. Connection Fees: Each new user (new construction) service connection shall pay:

- 1) A refundable one hundred dollar (\$100.00) security deposit unless there is a satisfactorily established credit record with the City as a result of prior service from the City. A satisfactorily established credit record shall be determined if all payments to the City for the twenty four (24) month period immediately preceding have been made in a timely manner according to the terms printed on the monthly billing statement. The security deposit shall be refunded to the water user or credited to the current water bill after twenty four (24) months of satisfactory payment of billings for City services, including water, sewer and sanitation provided by the City.
- 2) A nonrefundable two thousand five hundred dollar (\$2,500.00) water tap connection charge if the work is performed by the City, and five hundred dollars (\$500.00) if the work is not performed by the City, to be paid to the City Treasurer.
- 3) The cost of the meter, meter pit, setter, ring, cover, corp stop and curb stop for the connection:
Meters: \$316.24 for ¾" meter; \$388.60 for 1" meter.
Meter pit, setter, ring, cover, corp stop and curb stop: \$616.53 for ¾" meter; \$874.82 for 1" meter.
Cost of the meter is in addition to the cost of the meter pit, setter, ring, cover, corp stop and curb stop. ¾" meters will only be installed for existing residence already using a ¾" meter. New developments require a 1" meter.
- 4) Each of the foregoing charges and deposit for service shall be paid to the City Treasurer before issuance of a building permit, or if no building permit is to be issued, before the water service is connected to the City's line.

F. Water System Capacity Fees: Each property connecting to the City's water system shall be charged \$2,214/ERU (Equivalent Residential Unit) before being permitted to connect to the City's water system. A one inch (1") water meter service connection provides 1.0 ERU. A one and one half inch (1 1/2") water meter service provides 2.0 ERU's. A two inch (2") water meter service provides 3.2 ERU's. Capacity fees for water meter services larger than two inches (2") are to be negotiated.

2. **SEWER USER RATES AND CHARGES**: Sewer rates for all properties connected to the Filer sewer system are established as follows:

- A. City Residential Uses: Each residence, dwelling unit or building in the City limits that is occupied for residential purposes, uses City sewer service and consumes seven thousand (7,000) gallons or less of water per month, based upon water use for the winter months as metered by the City, shall be charged a rate of seventy dollars and fifty cents (\$70.50) per month. Sewer users consuming in excess of seven thousand (7,000) gallons of water per month shall pay an increased sewer use charge of one dollar fifty cents (\$1.50) per one thousand (1,000) gallons of water consumed or part thereof in excess of seven thousand (7,000) gallons.
- B. Commercial Uses: Each commercial sewer user in the City limits that consumes seven thousand (7,000) gallons or less of water per month, as metered by the City the preceding month, shall be charged a rate of seventy two dollars and fifty cents (\$72.50) per month. Commercial users consuming in excess of seven thousand (7,000) gallons of water per month shall pay an increased sewer user charge of one dollar fifty cents (\$1.50) per one thousand (1,000) gallons of water consumed or part thereof in excess of seven thousand (7,000) gallons.
- C. Unmetered Commercial Uses: The following unmetered commercial user shall be charged the following rate:

<u>Business</u>	<u>Account No.</u>	<u>Rate</u>
Cedar Lanes Bowling Alley	814	\$95.50 month

- D. Out-Of-City Residential Uses: Each residence, dwelling unit or building outside the City limits that is occupied for residential purposes, uses City sewer service and does not use City water service shall be charged a rate of seventy five dollars and fifty cents (\$75.50) per month.
- E. Out-of-City Commercial Uses: Each commercial sewer user outside the City limits that consumes seven thousand (7,000) gallons or less of water per month, as metered by the City the preceding month, shall be charged a rate of seventy seven dollars and fifty cents (\$77.50) per month. Commercial users consuming in excess of seven thousand (7,000) gallons of water per month shall pay an increased sewer user charge of one dollar fifty cents (\$1.50) per one thousand (1,000) gallons of water consumed or part thereof in excess of seven thousand (7,000) gallons.
- F. Sewer Tap Fees: Sewer tap fees for properties connecting to the City sewer system are established as follows: each new sewer connection shall require a nonrefundable two thousand five hundred dollar (\$2,500.00) connection charge if the work is performed by the City, and five hundred dollars (\$500.00) if the work is not performed by the City, to be paid to the City Treasurer before issuance of a building permit, or if no building permit is to be issued, before the sewer connection is made. The applicant shall pay all

costs associated with the service line installation and shall reimburse the City its cost of street and/or sidewalk repair, if any.

- G. Wastewater System Capacity Fees: Each property connecting to the City's wastewater collection and treatment system shall be charged \$3,047/ERU (Equivalent Residential Unit) before being permitted to connect to the City's wastewater collection and treatment system. A one inch (1") water meter service connection provides 1.0 ERU. A one and one half inch (1 1/2") water meter service provides 2.0 ERU's. A two inch (2") water meter service provides 3.2 ERU's. Capacity fees for water meter services larger than two inches (2") are to be negotiated.

ANNUAL RATE REVIEW AND UPDATE: The City Council shall review these utility rates annually, in conjunction with the annual budget process, and adjust rates as required to generate sufficient revenues required for operation, maintenance, and debt retirement. The City Council shall notify each user of the user charges attributable to wastewater treatment services on an annual basis.

DATED this 3rd day of September, 2019.



ROBERT E. TEMPLEMAN, Mayor

Attest:



EMILY DAUBNER, City Clerk/Treasurer