

**ORDINANCE NO. 10-3733**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING  
ORDINANCE NO. 09-3698 UPDATING WATER AND SEWER  
FEES.**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO DO ORDAIN AS  
FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** That Ordinance No. 09-3698 is hereby amended to provide as  
follows:

**1. Water Rates for All Residential and Commercial Users within the  
Corporate Limits:**

**BI-MONTHLY CHARGES:**

Meter Size (In Inches)	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
3/4 X 5/8	\$ 15.46	\$ 16.62	\$ 17.87	\$ 19.21	\$ 20.65	\$ 22.20
1	\$ 31.93	\$ 34.33	\$ 36.91	\$ 39.68	\$ 42.66	\$ 45.86
1.5	\$ 59.80	\$ 64.29	\$ 69.12	\$ 74.31	\$ 79.89	\$ 85.89
2	\$ 92.96	\$ 99.94	\$ 107.44	\$ 115.50	\$ 124.17	\$ 133.49
3	\$ 181.58	\$ 195.20	\$ 209.84	\$ 226.58	\$ 242.50	\$ 260.69
4	\$ 281.51	\$ 302.63	\$ 325.33	\$ 349.73	\$ 375.96	\$ 404.16
6	\$ 891.68	\$ 958.56	\$1,030.46	\$1,107.75	\$1,190.84	\$1,280.16
8	\$1,239.52	\$1,332.49	\$1,432.43	\$1,539.87	\$1,655.36	\$1,779.52
10	\$1,781.80	\$1,915.44	\$2,059.10	\$2,213.54	\$2,379.56	\$2,558.03

In addition to the fixed charge set forth above, each residential and commercial  
water customer of the utility shall pay an additional sum for every 100 cubic feet of water  
consumed.

2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
\$2.27	\$2.44	\$2.62	\$2.82	\$3.03	\$3.26

**2. Water Rates for all Industrial Users within the Corporate Limits:**

**BI-MONTHLY CHARGES**

Meter Size (In Inches)	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
2	\$ 2,529.15	\$ 2,718.84	\$ 2,922.75	\$ 3,141.96	\$ 3,377.61	\$ 3,630.93
3	\$ 5,059.52	\$ 5,438.99	\$ 5,846.92	\$ 6,285.44	\$ 6,766.85	\$ 7,283.62
4	\$ 7,907.25	\$ 8,500.30	\$ 9,137.83	\$ 9,823.17	\$10,559.91	\$11,351.91
6	\$15,810.86	\$16,996.69	\$18,271.44	\$19,641.80	\$21,134.58	\$22,719.68
8	\$26,297.61	\$27,194.93	\$29,234.55	\$31,427.15	\$33,784.19	\$36,318.01
10	\$36,362.64	\$39,089.84	\$42,021.68	\$45,173.20	\$48,561.19	\$52,203.28

In addition to the fixed charge above, each industrial water customer of the utility  
shall pay an additional sum for every 100 cubic feet of water consumed.

<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
\$1.58	\$1.70	\$1.83	\$1.96	\$2.11	\$2.27

Customers must consume a minimum of 25,000 cubic feet per day of water to qualify as an industrial user.

**3. Private Fire System Connections (including sprinklers) shall be as follows:**

“Connection” shall mean individual line size (not size of water appurtenance).

**BI-MONTHLY CHARGES**

<b>Connection Size</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
1"	\$ 2.38	\$ 2.56	\$ 2.75	\$ 2.96	\$ 3.18	\$ 3.42
2"	\$ 9.54	\$ 10.26	\$ 11.02	\$ 11.85	\$ 12.74	\$ 13.70
3"	\$ 21.46	\$ 23.07	\$ 24.80	\$ 26.66	\$ 28.66	\$ 30.81
4"	\$ 38.15	\$ 41.01	\$ 44.09	\$ 47.40	\$ 50.95	\$ 54.77
6"	\$ 76.23	\$ 81.95	\$ 88.09	\$ 94.70	\$ 101.80	\$ 109.44
8"	\$ 131.18	\$ 141.02	\$ 151.60	\$ 162.97	\$ 175.19	\$ 188.33
10"	\$ 182.46	\$ 196.14	\$ 210.86	\$ 226.67	\$ 243.67	\$ 261.94

These charges also apply to references regarding fire services, fire standby fees, and fire monthly service charge.

**4. Service Outside City Limits:**

The normal rates for water and sewer service to individual accounts located outside the City boundaries shall be 1.5 times the in-City rate.

**5. New Connection Charges:**

For new water service connections, the meter installation charge shall be as follows:

<b><u>CONNECTION SIZE</u></b>	<b><u>INSIDE CITY</u></b>	<b><u>OUTSIDE CITY</u></b>
3/4 x 5/8 meter set only	\$356.00	\$ 534.00
1" meter set only	\$750.00	\$1,125.00

Over 1 inch services to be installed by customer's licensed contractor per city specifications and standards.

**6. Wholesale or Bulk Resale Rates:**

Rates charged to other public entities for bulk water for resale purposes shall be at a rate for every 100 cubic feet of water delivered, plus the applicable minimum service charge for the metered connection, as follows:

2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
\$0.96	\$1.03	\$1.11	\$1.19	\$1.28	\$1.37

**BI-MONTHLY CHARGES**

Connection Size	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
1"	\$ 24.82	\$ 26.68	\$ 28.68	\$ 30.84	\$ 33.15	\$ 35.63
1.5"	\$ 37.01	\$ 39.79	\$ 42.77	\$ 45.98	\$ 49.43	\$ 53.14
2"	\$ 55.23	\$ 59.38	\$ 63.83	\$ 68.62	\$ 73.76	\$ 79.29
3"	\$ 111.37	\$ 119.72	\$ 128.70	\$ 138.35	\$ 148.73	\$ 159.89
4"	\$ 185.35	\$ 199.25	\$ 214.20	\$ 230.26	\$ 247.63	\$ 266.10
6"	\$ 278.37	\$ 299.25	\$ 321.69	\$ 345.82	\$ 371.76	\$ 399.64

**7. Sewer Rates for All Residential and Commercial Users within the Corporate Limits**

**BI-MONTHLY CHARGES**

**SERVICE TYPE**

**A. Residential standby only (use less than 200 cf/ Bi-monthly)**

2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
\$15.16	\$15.60	\$16.07	\$16.55	\$16.76

**B. All other residential dwellings**

2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
\$95.57	\$98.44	\$101.39	\$104.43	\$107.57	\$108.96

**C. (1) All Commercial Users**

2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
\$95.57	\$98.44	\$101.39	\$104.43	\$107.57	\$108.96

(2) In addition, all commercial users consuming a quantity of water greater than 1300 cubic feet per Bi-month shall be charged for every 100 cubic feet of water consumed in excess of 1300 cubic feet per Bi-month.

2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
\$5.89	\$6.07	\$6.25	\$6.44	\$6.63	\$6.70

**8. Sewer Rates for All industrial Users within the Corporate Limits:**

All industrial customers shall pay the following sewer rates based on water consumption:

**BI-MONTHLY FIXED CHARGE**

2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
\$7.56	\$7.79	\$8.02	\$8.26	\$8.51	\$8.62

**VOLUME CHARGE**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Per CCF	\$2.99	\$3.08	\$3.17	\$3.27	\$3.37	\$3.41

Customer must consume a minimum of 25,000 cubic feet per day of water to qualify as an industrial customer.

**9. Treatment of "High Strength Waste" – Surcharge:**

In the event that "high strength waste" is accepted for treatment by the Facilities, a surcharge shall be imposed and paid to the TRRWA in addition to any other charges for sewage treatment as follows:

BOD:	\$ 0.40 per pound
Suspended Solids (SS):	\$ 0.55 per pound

Such surcharge shall be assessed to "high strength waste" which is hereby defined to be waste that is in excess of a baseline concentration of 250 mg/l.

Such surcharge shall be calculated as follows:

BOD:	(concentration [mg/l] – 250 mg/l) x 8.34 x flow (mgd) x \$0.40
SS:	(concentration [mg/l] – 250 mg/l) x 8.34 x flow (mgd) x \$0.55

**10. Miscellaneous**

- A. The City does not tap the sewer main for side-sewers. This work must be completed by the customer's licensed contractor.
- B. Sewer service calls resulting from private side responsibility at cost of labor, material, and equipment with a minimum of \$50.00 per call.
- C. Service call fee for new customers or for water that is temporarily turned on or off \$25.00/call.

- D. Service call for water reconnection fee after water is turned off for non-payment is \$100.00/call.
- E. Penalty for meter tampering is \$200.00/occurrence to be paid as a condition to resumption of service.
- F. Meter removal charge is \$100.00/occurrence. (Meters are removed where, in the City's judgment, such is necessary to insure that water will not be used without authorization.
- G. Water meter test deposit \$25.00/test.
- H. Cleaning Usage Fee -- an owner of property or a property manager may pay a non-refundable fee of \$50.00 to have the water turned on for cleaning purposes for a period of 5 days only. After 5 days, the water will be automatically turned off and padlocked. The \$50.00 fee will allow up to 300 cubic feet of water usage. If water is used in excess of 300 cubic feet, the owner or property manager will be charged an additional \$3.26 per 100 cubic feet of water consumed, to be billed when the water is turned off. If the owner or property manager wishes the water to remain on after 5 days, then they must make a \$60.00 deposit in addition to the \$50.00 fee.
- I. Irrigation meter: Standard bi-monthly water use rates as listed in this ordinance shall apply.
- J. Pumping charge for leak adjustment purposes shall be \$0.75 per 100 cubic feet.
- K. Penalty for irrigating during a posted water shortage order is \$100.00/each occurrence.
- L. Minimum Water/Sewer account deposits shall be \$60.00.
- M. Latecomers agreement application fee shall be \$250.00 plus \$25.00/lot in the proposed benefited area. The appeal fee shall be \$500.00.
- N. The Capital recovery appeal fee shall be \$500.00.

**11. Capital Recovery Fees – Water Connections:**

<u>CONNECTION SIZE FEE</u>	<u>METER EQUIVALENTS</u> (Compound Meter)	<u>CAPITAL RECOVERY</u>
3/4 x 5/8"	1	\$ 1,969
1"	2.5	\$ 4,923
1.5"	5.0	\$ 9,845
2"	8.00	\$ 15,752
3"	16	\$ 31,504

4"	25	\$ 49,225
6"	50	\$ 98,450
8"	80	\$ 157,520
10"	115	\$ 226,435

**12. Capital Recovery Fees -- Sewer Connections:**

<u>CONNECTIONS</u> <u>FEE</u>	<u>METER EQUIVALENTS</u> (Compound Meter)	<u>CAPITAL RECOVERY</u>
3/4 x 5/8"	1	\$ 2,254
1"	2.5	\$ 5,635
1.5"	5.0	\$ 11,270
2"	8.00	\$ 18,032
3"	16	\$ 36,064
4"	25	\$ 56,350
6"	50	\$ 112,700
8"	80	\$ 180,320
10"	115	\$ 259,210

In addition to all "hook-up" charges, sanitary sewer service charges and other existing charge and fees imposed by a member entity or by the TRRWA, a System Development Charge (SDC) for waste water treatment in the sum of \$1,957.00 will be charged for each new Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) hereafter connected to the facilities of the TRRWA through the sanitary sewer lines of the member entities in accordance with the following conversion tables:

<u>RESIDENTIAL</u>		<u>COMMERCIAL</u>		<u>INDUSTRIAL</u>
<u>Dwelling</u>	<u>BRU's per Dwelling Unit</u>	<u>Water Meter Size (Inches)</u>	<u>ERU's Per Meter</u>	
Single family	1.00	5/8	1.00	1 ERU per each 300 gallons /day flow
Duplex, 3 or 4-plex	0.86	3/4	1.50	
Apartment (5 or more)	0.67	1	2.50	
		1.5	5.00	
		2	8.00	
		3	16.00	
		4	25.00	
		6	50.00	
		8	80.00	

**13. Senior Citizens Reduction:**

Senior Citizens occupying residential dwellings shall be eligible for a reduction of the water/sewer portion of their utility bill of four dollars (\$4.00) per billing period, provided they apply and are qualified for such a reduction pursuant to the authority contained in RCW 74.38.070 as a low-income senior citizen. Further, for purposes of implementing this section, the rate reduction will be applied at \$2.00 for water service

and \$2.00 for sewer service per billing period. Those customers receiving either water service or sewer service will only receive a \$2.00 reduction per billing period.

For purposes of implementing this section, "low-income senior citizen" means a person who is sixty-one-(61) years of age or older and whose total income, including that of his or her spouse or co-tenant, does not exceed the amount specified in RCW 84.36.381(5) as it now exists or is hereafter amended. Further, for purposes of implementing this section, the definitions of "combined disposable income," "disposable income" and "co-tenant" shall be as defined in RCW 84.36.383(5), (6), and (7), as they now exist or are hereafter amended.

**14. Rates for Water Hydrant Meter Rentals – Services:**

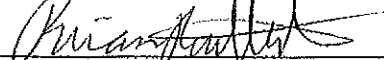
Rates for water hydrant meter rentals shall, at a minimum, consist of a \$950.00 deposit, and a meter charge of \$5.00 per day, and a minimum charge of \$20.00 for wholesale or bulk resale rates for water consumption. The City Manager or his designee shall have authority to issue water hydrant meter permits in a form to be made available by the City Clerk.

**SECTION 2.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect forty-three days after its passage and publication of summary as required by law.


**ADOPTED** by the City Council and **SIGNED** by the Mayor this 7th day of September, 2010.

  
MAYOR

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATION:

  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
CITY ATTORNEY

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