

ORDINANCE NO. 1917-17

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MILTON, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO THE CITY OF MILTON'S WATER UTILITY CODE; AMENDING SECTIONS 13.28.185, 13.28.195, AND 13.28.230; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND FOR SUMMARY PUBLICATION BY ORDINANCE TITLE ONLY.

WHEREAS, the City of Milton operates a Water Utility to provide services to residents; and

WHEREAS, Milton Municipal Code 13.28.195 (D) provides that the rates for services will be adjusted annually based on the CPI from June of the previous year;

NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILTON, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The following Sections of Chapter 13.28 WATER UTILITY are amended as follows:

13.28.185 Permit and system development charges.

Prior to any water service construction, the owner shall pay the City permit and construction fees as established by the following schedules:

A. Permit and Inspection Fees. Said fee shall cover all costs of administration, plan review, inspection, purity tests and preparation and filing of as-builts. Pressure test and backflow test are the responsibility of the applicant or his/her contractor. The permit and inspection fees shall be as set by the City of Milton permit and utility fee and charge schedule, adopted by authority of MMC [3.48.010](#). All permit and inspection fees shall be paid to the finance department at the time the permit application is issued.

B. System Development Charges. It is the policy of the City that all property owners seeking to connect to the City water system shall bear their equitable share of the cost of the general

facilities of such system. The City therefore sets the schedule for system development charges (SDC) as set by the City of Milton permit and utility fee and charge schedule, adopted by authority of MMC [3.48.010](#).

1. Single-family dwellings are considered one equivalent residential unit (ERU) with 24 or less fixture units per the National Plumbing Code and needing no more than a three-quarter-inch meter.

2. Each commercial establishment per building as set by the City of Milton permit and utility fee and charge schedule, adopted by authority of MMC [3.48.010](#).

3. Each industrial customer per acre fee (based on 3.50 ERUs per acre) as set by the City of Milton permit and utility fee and charge schedule, adopted by authority of MMC [3.48.010](#). In the event the amount of water needed by the industrial customer should exceed 3.50 ERUs per acre, the City shall calculate and charge the SDC based on actual anticipated water use.

4. The system development charge funds collected under this chapter shall be deposited in the utilities capital asset fund/account used only for utility system capital improvements.

5. On ~~January-May~~ 1st of each year, the system development charge shall be adjusted according to the ~~Engineering News-Record Construction Cost Index~~ June CPI for the previous year for the Seattle-Puget Sound area.

C. Service Installation Fee. The cost of the actual construction of a water service connection including meter and meter box shall be borne by the applicant. The City water utility staff will tap all City-owned mains for services up to and including two-inch. Charges for this service are

a lump sum amount based on the average cost for said work. These charges shall be set by the City of Milton permit and utility fee and charge schedule, adopted by authority of MMC [3.48.010](#).

13.28.195 Rates for metered service.

A. The schedule of rates for the water facilities and service furnished by or through or for the use of the City water system, which rates are found and declared to be reasonable and just, taking into account and consideration the cost and value of the system and cost of maintaining and operating the system, and the proper and necessary allowances for the depreciation thereof and reserves therefore, are fixed, established, levied, imposed, and otherwise prescribed in this section. Such charges include utility taxes.

B. The applicant shall determine the meter size by using the current building code and Uniform Plumbing Code.

C. The city shall place a meter on every service and charge the metered rate as provided herein.

D. On the May billing of each year, the rates established in this section shall be adjusted according to the June CPI-U index for the previous year for the Seattle-Puget Sound area.

E. The schedule of rates is as follows:

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| Water - Monthly Base Rate per meter within the General Service Area: | |
| Meter Size | Base Rate |
| 3/4" | \$24.51 <u>24.95</u> |
| 1" | \$90.92 <u>92.56</u> |
| 1 1/4" | \$123.11 <u>125.33</u> |
| 1 1/2" | \$151.36 <u>154.08</u> |
| 2" | \$181.64 <u>184.91</u> |
| 3" | \$302.83 <u>308.28</u> |
| 4" | \$454.17 <u>462.35</u> |
| 6" | \$908.32 <u>924.67</u> |

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| Water - Monthly Consumption Rate - Single Family, Duplex Units, within the General Service Area: | |
| Per 100 Cubic Feet: | |
| Up to 800 cubic feet consumed | \$2.43 <u>2.47</u> |
| 801 – 1,000 cubic feet consumed | \$2.64 <u>2.69</u> |
| 1,001 + cubic feet consumed | \$2.84 <u>2.89</u> |

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| Water – Monthly Consumption Rate – Commercial, including Multi-Family and irrigation units within the General Service Area: | |
| Per 100 Cubic Feet: | |
| Up to 800 cubic feet consumed | \$2.56 <u>2.61</u> |
| 801 – 1,000 cubic feet consumed | \$2.76 <u>2.81</u> |
| 1,001 – 2,000 cubic feet consumed | \$2.96 <u>3.01</u> |
| 2,001 – 3,000 cubic feet consumed | \$3.16 <u>3.22</u> |
| 3,001 + cubic feet consumed | \$3.36 <u>3.42</u> |

13.28.230 Fire protection line charges.

The rates for fire protection lines inside and outside of the corporate limits of the City shall be ~~\$26.5727.05~~ per month, plus \$.256 per 100 cubic feet of water used.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. These rate changes apply to all billings after May 1, 2017.

Passed by the Milton City Council the 20th day of March, 2017, and approved by the Mayor, the 20th day of March, 2017.


DEBRA PERRY, MAYOR

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:


KATIE BOLAM, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:

BY _____
WILLIAM L. CAMERON, CITY ATTORNEY

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