

**CITY OF SEABROOK  
RESOLUTION NO. 2016-17**

**UPDATING WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY RATES**

A RESOLUTION UPDATING WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY RATES EFFECTIVE WITH THE SEPTEMBER 15-OCTOBER 15, 2016 BILLING CYCLE FOR THE CITY OF SEABROOK. THIS RESOLUTION REPLACES RESOLUTION NO. 2015-30 WHICH WAS APPROVED ON OCTOBER 20, 2015.

WHEREAS, on March 8, 1988, the City of Seabrook entered into a contract with the City of Pasadena to purchase potable water; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seabrook received a letter from the City of Pasadena dated August 10, 2016; and

WHEREAS, this letter stated the base price per thousand gallons of water being sold to the City of Seabrook was increasing from .7297 to .8937; and

WHEREAS, the City Council intends to adjust water rates to compensate for the increased charge from the City of Pasadena; and

WHEREAS, the City Council intends to issue Certificates of Obligation for the acquisition, construction and improvement of certain public works including wastewater treatment facilities and water & wastewater transmission lines; and

WHEREAS, on the City Council intends to adjust water and sewer rates sufficient to pay the debt service for the Certificates of Obligation; and

WHEREAS, actual utility rate fees are established by Resolution; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEABROOK, STATE OF TEXAS:

**SECTION 1. WATER RATES.**

**A. WATER RATES FOR SINGLE METER RESIDENTIAL AND ALL COMMERCIAL CUSTOMERS (SINGLE CUSTOMER AND MULTI CUSTOMER COMMERCIAL METERS).**

2016 water rates for these customers in the City of Seabrook shall be as shown below. The minimum bill charge is based on the customer's meter size as shown below and includes up to 2,000 gallons of water usage per month.

| Meter Size | Minimum Bill (for first 2,000 gal) |
|------------|------------------------------------|
| 5/8"       | \$ 13.40                           |
| 3/4"       | \$ 13.40                           |
| 1"         | \$ 33.51                           |
| 1.5"       | \$ 67.01                           |
| 2"         | \$ 107.22                          |
| 3"         | \$ 201.03                          |
| 4"         | \$ 335.05                          |
| 6"         | \$ 670.11                          |
| 8"         | \$ 1,072.17                        |
| 10"        | \$ 1,541.25                        |
| 12"        | \$ 2,881.46                        |

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| All over 2,000 gallons to 10,000 gallons is:  | \$ 3.94 per thousand gallons. |
| All over 10,000 gallons to 15,000 gallons is: | \$ 4.69 per thousand gallons. |
| All over 15,000 gallons is:                   | \$ 5.60 per thousand gallons. |

**B. WATER RATES FOR MULTI-FAMILY METER CUSTOMERS.**

A minimum charge of \$ 13.40 per month shall be charged for each living unit serviced by the same meter. This minimum charge will include usage of up to 2,000 gallons per month, per unit.

In addition, all gallons over the minimum allotment will be charged as follows:

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| 4,001 to 10,000 gallons is: | \$ 3.94 per thousand gallons. |
| All over 10,000 gallons is: | \$ 4.69 per thousand gallons. |

For example, a water meter serves three (3) residential customers. 11,000 gallons usage is recorded for one month. The charge is computed as follows:

|   |                  |                     |
|---|------------------|---------------------|
| 3 units X   | \$ 13.40         | \$ 40.20 base rate. |
| (This pays for the first 6,000 gallons of water.) |                  |                     |
| 6,001 gallons – 10,000 gallons @                  | \$ 3.94 per/1000 | \$ 15.76            |
| 10,001 gallons – 11,000 gallons @                 | \$ 4.69 per/1000 | \$ 4.69             |
| <b>TOTAL MONTHLY WATER BILL</b>                   |                  | <b>\$ 60.65</b>     |

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**SECTION 2. SEWER RATES.**

**A. 2016 RESIDENTIAL, MULTI-FAMILY AND LIGHT COMMERCIAL**

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| First 2,000 gallons                       | \$ 20.45 minimum |
| All over 2,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons | \$ 3.86          |
| Maximum charge based on 16,000 gallons    | \$ 74.49         |

**B. 2016 COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL SEWER RATES**

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|---|------------------|
| First 2,000 gallons                       | \$ 28.99 minimum |
| All over 2,000 gallons, per 1,000 gallons | \$ 5.07          |

For multi-family dwellings, the monthly charge is based on the connection equivalent of the property whereby the charge is on a per unit basis determined by dividing the total consumption on the master meter(s) by the number of units in the dwelling. The average consumption per unit is used to calculate the sewer charges for each unit. Then the average charge per unit times the number of units, equals the total sewer charge for that meter(s).

**SECTION 3. CUSTOMER UTILITY DEPOSITS.**

There shall be no increase in customer deposit rates in the City of Seabrook. Customer deposit rates shall remain as follows:

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| Homeowner, multi-family living unit equivalent            | \$ 100.00 |
| Tenant or Lessee  | \$ 100.00 |
| Commercial; 3 months average use, but not less than       | \$ 100.00 |
| Irrigation deposit  | \$ 100.00 |
| Builder's deposit, per unit, payable at time of water tap | \$ 25.00  |
| Hydrant deposit   | \$ 500.00 |

**SECTION 4. DEFINITIONS.**

The following definitions shall apply to this resolution.

Light Commercial: Office and professional occupancy only.

Commercial: All businesses other than above.

Industrial: A process plant which discharges 70 percent or more of wastewater to storm sewer facilities as determined by the Director of Public Works.

Multi-family meter: Any water meter which serves more than one (1) living unit. For example, an apartment building has one (1) water meter to serve 10 separate apartment units. Or a duplex has one (1) water meter to serve two (2) separate duplex units.

Multi customer commercial meter:  
Any water meter which serves more than one business or commercial enterprise. For example, a shopping plaza has one water meter to serve 10 separate businesses/or shops.

Single customer meter:  
Any water meter which serves only one (1) living unit or one (1) commercial business or store.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016.

  
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Glenn Royal, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Robin Hicks, TRMC  
City Secretary

