

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO UTILITY FEES AND CHARGES AND AMENDING SECTION 4.24.010 OF THE OLYMPIA MUNICIPAL CODE

WHEREAS, the City’s utilities are managed with a goal of resource sustainability in order to maintain, rebuild, expand systems, and prepare for revenue variability; and

WHEREAS, the City Council intends to meet the goals and polices for utility fiscal management set forth in the Comprehensive Plan and utility master plans; and

WHEREAS, the City Council intends to promote rate equity through cost recovery by customer class, and to smooth out rate spikes over a period of up to six years, the time period for which the CFP is developed; and

WHEREAS, the City’s Storm and Surface Water Utility and the Wastewater Utility are managed to maintain minimum operating expense reserves of ten (10) percent, and the Drinking Water Utility is managed to maintain minimum operating expense reserves of twenty five (25) percent; and

WHEREAS, in order to incorporate the foregoing principles into City Drinking Water Utility, City Storm and Surface Water Utility, City Wastewater Utility and LOTT Clean Water Alliance (LOTT) wastewater treatment rates, the City Council received recommendations from the Utility Advisory Committee, held hearings, and reviewed the utility rates set forth in this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Act Agreement for Sewer Treatment, the LOTT Board of Directors is empowered to “impose, alter, regulate, and control rates, charges, and assessments;” and the LOTT Board of Directors held a public hearing and approved certain rate increases, which the City Council must annually adopt;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment of OMC 4.24.010. Section 4.24.010 of the Olympia Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

4.24.010 Computation and assessment of charges

The rates set forth below do not reflect any possible surcharges or discounts provided to a parcel of property or customer under any provision of City ordinances or taxes assessed directly upon customers for which the City acts as collection agent.

A. WATER

1. Occupant turning on water after delinquent shutoff penalty	\$40.00	OMC 13.04.360
2. Delinquency notification penalty	\$10.00	OMC 13.04.430
3. Service disconnected/water reconnect for nonpayment penalty	\$25.00	OMC 13.04.430

4. Fire hydrant meter	\$ 1,500 deposit plus \$50.00 per month plus consumption charge	OMC 13.04.410
5. Water for residential building construction purposes	Ready to serve plus consumption charge in Subsection 8a	OMC 13.04.410
6. Non-emergency after-hours water service turn on/shut off	\$110.00	OMC 13.04.340
7. Water General Facility Charges, assessed and payable as provided in OMC 13.04.375:		OMC 13.04.375

Meter Size	AWWA Capacity Factor	GFC
3/4 -inch	1.00	\$4,433
1 -inch Residential Fire Sprinkler	1.00	\$4,433
1 -inch	1.67	\$7,483
1 1/2 -inch	3.33	\$14,920
2 -inch	5.33	\$23,881
3 -inch	10.67	\$46,670
4 -inch	16.33	\$73,168
6 -inch	33.33	\$149,338
8 -inch	53.33	\$238,951
10 -inch	76.67	\$347,419
12 -inch	100.00	\$448,064

This charge is assessed in addition to any other charges or assessments levied under this chapter.

8. Water Meter Rates—Inside City Limits:

a. **Schedule I: Monthly Charges.**

The following is the monthly charge based upon meter size for all customers. Customers with meter sizes not listed in the schedule will be charged at the rate applicable to the next larger meter size listed.

Meter Size	Ready to Serve Charge	OMC 13.04.380
3/4-inch	\$13.80 + consumption charge	
1-inch Residential Fire Sprinkler	\$13.80 + consumption charge	
1-inch	\$18.37 + consumption charge	
1 1/2-inch	\$29.79 + consumption charge	
2-inch	\$43.46 + consumption charge	
3-inch	\$80.00 + consumption charge	
4-inch	\$121.09 + consumption charge	

Meter Size		Ready to Serve Charge	OMC 13.04.380
6-inch	\$235.22	+ consumption charge	
8-inch	\$372.19	+ consumption charge	
10-inch	\$531.96	+ consumption charge	
12-inch	\$691.76	+ consumption charge	

(1) Residential and nonresidential premises that are vacant are subject to payment of the full Water ready-to-serve charge. This fee will be charged even if the water is turned off.

Consumption charge per 100 cubic feet:

	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4
Residential (Single Family and Duplex Residential)	\$2.00	\$3.35	\$5.35	\$7.04
Nonresidential (Multi-family and Commercial)	\$2.80	\$4.19	--	--
Irrigation	\$2.80	\$8.26	--	--

Blocks Definition:

	Block 1	Block 2	Block 3	Block 4
Single Family and Duplex (1) Residential	0-400 cf/unit	401-900 cf/unit	901-1,400 cf/unit	1,401+ cf unit
Nonresidential (2)	Nov-June Usage	July-Oct Usage	--	
Irrigation	Nov-June Usage	July-Oct Usage		

(1) Single family accounts with or without accessory dwelling units are charged as one single family account.

(2) If nonresidential block usage cannot administratively be prorated between blocks, usage is billed at the block rate in which the meter reading period ends.

b. **Wholesale customers:**

See OMC 13.04.380B.

c. **State buildings with sprinkler systems or fire service connections:**

See OMC 13.04.380C.

d. **Fire protection:**

Automatic sprinkler systems or special fire service connections with the City water system will be charged the monthly ready-to-serve charge based on meter size in 4.24.010(A)(8a). Residential fire service connections that require a 1" pipe size will be charged the same as a 3/4" pipe size as shown in Subsection 8a.

B. WASTEWATER (SEWER)

- 1) LOTT Charges

LOTT wastewater monthly service charge	\$41.00 <u>\$42.23</u> per ERU	OMC 13.08.190
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Nonresidential accounts are billed one (1) ERU minimum per month. ERU charges in excess of one (1) ERU are billed at the rate of ~~\$4.56~~ \$4.69 per 100 cf or any part thereof for LOTT wastewater service charges.

LOTT capacity development charge	\$6,230.69 <u>\$6,417.61</u> per ERU	OMC 13.08.210
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2) City of Olympia Monthly Sewer Charges

a. Residential accounts with separately metered City of Olympia water service servicing: one separate single-family residence, one single-family residence with accessory dwelling unit, one unit of a residential duplex, one mobile home, or one trailer is billed based on monthly water consumption as follows:

0 – 250 cf	\$13.32 per month	
251 – 350 cf	\$13.32 per month plus \$0.082 per cf	OMC 13.08.190
351 cf and above	\$21.52 per month	

b. Residential accounts with residential duplexes with a single water meter servicing both units are billed based on water consumption as follows:

0 – 500 cf	\$26.64 per month	
501 – 700 cf	\$26.64 per month plus \$0.082 per cf	OMC 13.08.190
701 cf and above	\$43.04 per month	

c. Residential accounts not included in A) or B) above	\$21.52 per ERU	OMC 13.08.190
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d. Nonresidential accounts are billed one (1) ERU minimum per month. ERU charges in excess of one (1) ERU are billed at the rate of \$.0307 per 1 cf. for local collection system.	\$21.52 per ERU	OMC 13.08.190
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3) City of Olympia General Facility Charge

Wastewater (Sewer) general facility charge	\$3,442.00 per ERU	OMC 13.08.205
Wastewater (Sewer) general facility charge for properties on public combined sewers and in the Downtown Deferred General Facility Charge Payment Option Area	\$1,483.00 per ERU	OMC 13.08.010 OMC 13.08.205

C. WASTE RESOURCES

1. **Residential garbage rates, monthly, every-other-week collection:**

OMC 13.12.160

One twenty-gallon cart (minimum residential garbage service)	\$11.35
One thirty-five gallon cart	
Recycle rate	\$19.60
Nonrecycle rate	\$24.58
One sixty-five gallon cart	
Recycle rate	\$26.76
Nonrecycle rate	\$33.54
Two sixty-five gallon carts	
Recycle rate	\$51.21
Nonrecycle rate	\$64.13
Three sixty-five gallon carts	\$96.25
One ninety-five gallon cart	
Recycle rate	\$46.37
Nonrecycle rate	\$58.10
More than three sixty-five gallon carts	\$96.25 + \$33.54 for each sixty-five gallon cart over three carts

2. **Residential garbage rates, monthly, weekly collection:**

One thirty-five gallon cart	
Recycle rate	\$43.20
Nonrecycle rate	\$54.06
One sixty-five gallon cart	
Recycle rate	\$86.40
Nonrecycle rate	\$108.09
One ninety-five gallon cart	\$140.45

3. **Extended pickup:**

Rate	Distance
\$1/month	Over 5 feet to 25 feet
\$2/month	Over 25 feet to 100 feet
\$1/month	Every 50 feet over 100 feet

- a. Persons requesting extended distance service must be at least sixty-five years of age or handicapped where said person cannot wheel a full or partially full garbage cart to the collection point.

- b. No person living with the qualified applicant can wheel a full or partially full garbage cart to the collection point.
- c. Extended pickup service to be at no charge when the combined annual income of the household of the qualified applicant is equal to or less than fifty percent of the median household income in Thurston County.
- d. Persons requesting service must apply with the utilities office by filling out an affidavit for extended service. Upon approval of affidavit, service will be granted.
- e. Qualified applicant will reapply on a yearly basis on or before December 31st of each year.
- f. In the case of a multifamily residence or complex, only the qualified tenant's cart will be clearly marked with the tenant's name and unit number.

4. Residential and commercial organics rate, monthly, every other week collection:

Organics:

Per City-owned 95-gallon cart or each 1/2 yard of material collected \$10.59

5. Commercial garbage rates, monthly, weekly collection:

One ten gallon can (minimum commercial garbage service)	\$7.34
One thirty-two gallon can or cart	\$21.66
Two thirty-two gallon cans or equivalent cart service	\$33.03
Three thirty-two gallon cans or equivalent cart service	\$62.12
Four thirty-two gallon cans or equivalent cart service	\$81.85
More than four thirty-two gallon cans or equivalent cart service	\$81.85 + \$21.66 for each additional thirty-two gallons of service

6. 95-gallon garbage and refuse cart service, monthly:

One pickup weekly	\$62.12
Two pickups weekly	\$119.06
Three pickups weekly	\$173.62
Four pickups weekly	\$229.19
Five pickups weekly	\$284.06

7. One-yard garbage and refuse dumpster service, monthly:

One pickup weekly	\$122.14
Two pickups weekly	\$240.16
Three pickups weekly	\$354.14
Four pickups weekly	\$467.90

Five pickups weekly	\$581.50
Six pickups weekly	\$695.22

8. **One and one-half yard garbage and refuse dumpster service, monthly:**

One pickup weekly	\$161.47
Two pickups weekly	\$307.76
Three pickups weekly	\$452.85
Four pickups weekly	\$597.62
Five pickups weekly	\$742.34
Six pickups weekly	\$887.55

9. **Two-yard garbage and refuse dumpster service, monthly:**

One pickup weekly	\$200.62
Two pickups weekly	\$382.79
Three pickups weekly	\$565.05
Four pickups weekly	\$747.28
Five pickups weekly	\$929.57
Six pickups weekly	\$1,108.87

10. **Three-yard garbage and refuse dumpster service, monthly:**

One pickup weekly	\$283.82
Two pickups weekly	\$555.48
Three pickups weekly	\$824.79
Four pickups weekly	\$1,102.11
Five pickups weekly	\$1,363.82
Six pickups weekly	\$1,621.19

11. **Four-yard garbage and refuse dumpster service, monthly:**

One pickup weekly	\$356.88
Two pickups weekly	\$706.17
Three pickups weekly	\$1,048.51
Four pickups weekly	\$1,383.64
Five pickups weekly	\$1,711.66
Six pickups weekly	\$2,034.13

12. **Six-yard garbage and refuse dumpster service, monthly:**

One pickup weekly	\$518.20
Two pickups weekly	\$1,011.96
Three pickups weekly	\$1,502.33
Four pickups weekly	\$1,992.35
Five pickups weekly	\$2,482.53
Six pickups weekly	\$2,854.93

13. **Prepaid extra tag for unscheduled collection of a bag on regular garbage collection day; \$5.57/each.**

14. **Extra unscheduled can, bag or box on regular garbage collection day to which a City approved prepaid tag is not attached: \$9.10/each.**

15. **Fees for special pickups, minor ancillary services, and yard waste drop-off site disposal services, other than unscheduled extra cans or material on regular collection day, are established by the City Manager, based on cost of service; to include labor, equipment, distance traveled, and volume of materials as appropriate.**

16. **City-owned drop boxes: customers will be charged repair fees on boxes which have been burned or damaged:**

Ten cubic yards:

Delivery fee	\$76.64	
Daily rental	\$2.64	
Hauling fee	\$233.42	
Dumping charge		Current disposal fee, surcharge and 15.1% service fee on disposal fee

Twenty cubic yards:

Delivery fee	\$76.64	
Daily rental	\$3.39	
Hauling fee	\$233.42	
Dumping charge		Current disposal fee, surcharge and 15.1% service fee on disposal fee

Thirty cubic yards:

Delivery fee	\$76.64	
Daily rental	\$4.71	
Hauling fee	\$233.42	
Dumping charge		Current disposal fee, surcharge and 15.1% service fee on disposal fee

Forty cubic yards:

Delivery fee	\$76.64
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Daily rental	\$4.71
Hauling fee	\$233.42
Dumping charge	Current disposal fee, surcharge and 15.1% service fee on disposal fee
Standby or dig out	\$90.00 per hour

17. Customer-owned compactors and special containers. Dumping charges are based on weight at transfer station:

Cubic Yard	Charge Per Haul
10 or less	\$233.42 *
15	\$233.42 *
20	\$233.42 *
25	\$233.42 *
30	\$233.42 *
35	\$233.42 *
40	\$233.42 *
42	\$233.42 *
* plus disposal fee plus 15.1% service charge on disposal fee	
Standby or dig out	\$90.00 per hour

No delivery fees or rental fees will be charged for City-owned drop boxes used to haul source-separated yard waste for composting or construction and demolition debris for recycling. If material is contaminated, the customer will be charged current disposal fees and 15.1% service charge on the disposal fee, plus delivery fee and daily rental fees.

18. City-owned temporary garbage and refuse dumpster services (customers will be charged repair fees for containers which have been burned or damaged):

One cubic yard:	
Delivery fee	\$56.17
Daily rental fee	\$2.21
Fee per dump	\$46.22
One and 1/2 cubic yard:	
Delivery fee	\$56.17
Daily rental fee	\$2.21
Fee per dump	\$48.96
Two yard:	
Delivery fee	\$56.17
Daily rental fee	\$2.21

Fee per dump	\$52.46
Three yard:	
Delivery fee	\$56.17
Daily rental fee	\$2.21
Fee per dump	\$68.99
Four yard:	
Delivery fee	\$56.17
Daily rental fee	\$2.21
Fee per dump	\$95.59
Six yard:	
Delivery fee	\$56.17
Daily rental fee	\$2.21
Fee per dump	\$130.59

19. City-owned temporary organics dumpster services (customers will be charged repair fees for dumpsters which have been burned or damaged):

One cubic yard:	
Fee per dump	\$21.18
One and 1/2 cubic yard:	
Fee per dump	\$31.77
Two yard:	
Fee per dump	\$42.37
Three yard:	
Fee per dump	\$63.55

If material is contaminated, customer will be charged the dump fee, delivery fee and daily rental fee for City-owned temporary garbage and refuse dumpster services as established in Section 16 of this ordinance.

20. An additional surcharge of \$70.00 per month applies to permanent commercial dumpster customers who require Saturday collection and are subject to regular monthly fees set forth in OMC 4.24.010C Subsections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18 or 19.

D. STORM AND SURFACE WATER

At the time of issuance of a building/engineering permit, per OMC 13.16.080, a stormwater GFC is assessed at the rate of: \$1,439.90/Impervious Unit (2,528 sq. ft.) and a water

quality GFC is assessed at a rate of \$6.60 per average daily vehicle trip based on the Institute of Traffic Engineers' Trip Generation Manual.

1. Storm drainage service charges:

a. Single-Family and Duplex Residential Parcels. All parcels in the City are subject to a monthly charge for storm drainage service in accordance with the following schedule:

Single-family parcels with or without accessory dwelling units (Regardless of date approved)	\$14.55 <u>\$15.64</u> /utility account
Plats approved after 1990 with signed maintenance agreement	\$13.01 <u>\$13.00</u> /utility account
Duplex parcels (Regardless of date approved)	\$14.55 <u>\$15.64</u> /unit (\$29.10 \$31.28 when billed as a single account)

b. Commercial, Multi-Family, Industrial and Governmental Parcels. A charge per utility account will be established at the time of issuance of a clearing, filling, excavating or grading permit and assessed monthly as follows:

Administrative fee	\$14.24 <u>\$15.31</u> plus:
For parcels developed after January 1990 (Category I)	\$5.35 <u>\$5.75</u> per billing unit or
For parcels developed between January 1980 and January 1990 (Category II)	\$11.18 <u>\$12.02</u> per billing unit or
For parcels developed before January 1980 (Category III)	\$14.11 <u>\$15.17</u> per billing unit

c. For developed parcels without structural impervious areas, the following construction phase charge is assessed at the time of issuance of a clearing, filling, excavating or grading permit:

Single-family and duplex zoned	\$6.11 <u>\$6.57</u> per parcel x total number of parcels identified in preliminary plat x 24 months
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d. Undeveloped parcels. No charge.

E. RECLAIMED WATER

1. Occupant turning on water after delinquent shutoff penalty	\$40.00	OMC 13.24.330
2. Delinquency notification penalty	\$10.00	OMC 13.24.340
3. Service disconnected/reclaimed water reconnect for nonpayment penalty	\$25.00	OMC 13.24.340
4. Reclaimed water for commercial construction purposes	\$50.00 per month plus consumption charge	OMC 13.24.200
5. Non-emergency after-hours reclaimed water service turn on/shut off	\$110.00	OMC 13.24.250

6. Reclaimed Water Rates

a. Meter Rates – The monthly charge based upon meter size for all reclaimed water customers follows 4.24.010.A.8. Customers with meter sizes not listed in the schedule will be charged at the rate applicable to the next larger meter size listed.

b. Consumption charges

(1) Indoor use of reclaimed water: 70% of the consumption charges in 4.24.010.A.8.

(2) Outdoor use of reclaimed water: 70% of the consumption charges in 4.24.010.A.8 for Irrigation.

Section 2. Corrections. The City Clerk and codifiers of this Ordinance are authorized to make necessary corrections to this Ordinance, including the correction of scrivener/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto.

Section 3. Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance are declared separate and severable. If any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance or application of the provision to other persons or circumstances shall be unaffected.

Section 4. Ratification. Any act consistent with the authority and prior to the effective date of this Ordinance is hereby ratified and affirmed.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect January 1, 2021.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Mark Barber

CITY ATTORNEY

PASSED:

APPROVED:

PUBLISHED: