ORDINANCE NO. 12-2016

TITLE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 21-82, AS AMENDED, BY DELETING THE PROVISION OF SECTION 13 PERTAINING TO THE SCHEDULE OF WASTEWATER RATES IN ITS ENTIRETY, AND SUBSTITUTING THEREFOR A NEW SCHEDULE OF WASTEWATER RATES.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE:

Section 1. Ordinance No. 21-82, as amended, is hereby amended by deleting the provisions of Section 13 pertaining to the schedule of wastewater rates in its entirety, as of midnight December 31, 2016, and substituting therefor a new Section 13 which shall read as follows:

Section 13 – Wastewater Rate Schedule – Effective January 1, 2017

All references to usage (gallons) or to meter readings shall mean water meter readings.

The following wastewater rate schedule shall apply to each user of the wastewater facilities, effective with the January 1, 2017 wastewater billings.

1. Sanitary sewer disposal charge for all customers except those applicable to subsection 3 below.

   First 2,000 gallons or any part thereof, minimum billing as outlined in subsection 2 below.

   Over 2,000 gallons at $10.39 per thousand gallons

2. Minimum Monthly Billing includes first 2,000 gallons or any part thereof for all customers except those applicable to subsection 3 below.

For customers using 5/8" meter	$ 24.81 per month
For customers using 3/4" meter	29.50 per month
For customers using 1" meter	46.94 per month
For customers using 1-1/2" meter	93.86 per month
For customers using 2" meter	174.32 per month
For customers using 3" meter	301.71 per month
For customers using 4" meter	395.57 per month
For customers using 6" meter	558.81 per month
For customers using 8" meter	722.05 per month
For customers using 10" meter	885.29 per month

   For customers using meters sizes not specifically listed above, the minimum billing monthly amount will be determined by the City at the time the service is established.

3. Customers whose single-meter usage averages over 8,000,000 gallons per month for a contiguous 12 month period will be charged a minimum flat monthly rate of $127,200.00 each month for the succeeding 12 month period. The minimum flat monthly rate covers usage up to 8,000,000 gallons. Monthly usage over 8,000,000 gallons will be charged an additional $10.39 per thousand gallons.

Minimum Charge per Month

The total wastewater charge shall be no less than $24.81 per month.

Maximum Charge per Month

The following terms are defined:

Winter Period – November 2 through May 1.
Summer Period – May 2 through November 1.

Single-family residential meter readings shall be subject to a maximum monthly billable wastewater consumption of 20,000 gallons during the Summer Period. Single-family residential customers that have maintained water service at the metered location continuously during the preceding Winter Period will have a maximum billable monthly wastewater consumption during the Summer Period using the highest monthly meter reading taken during the immediately preceding Winter Period, not to exceed 20,000 gallons per month.

The above rates are net, the gross rate being five percent higher.

Section 13 – Wastewater Rate Schedule – Effective January 1, 2018

All references to usage (gallons) or to meter readings shall mean water meter readings.

The following wastewater rate schedule shall apply to each user of the wastewater facilities, effective with the January 1, 2018 wastewater billings.

1. Sanitary sewer disposal charge for all customers except those applicable to subsection 3 below.

   First 2,000 gallons or any part thereof, minimum billing as outlined in subsection 2 below.

   Over 2,000 gallons at $11.01 per thousand gallons

2. Minimum Monthly Billing includes first 2,000 gallons or any part thereof for all customers except those applicable to subsection 3 below.

For customers using 5/8" meter	$ 26.30 per month
For customers using 3/4" meter	31.27 per month
For customers using 1" meter	49.76 per month
For customers using 1-1/2" meter	99.49 per month
For customers using 2" meter	184.78 per month
For customers using 3" meter	319.81 per month
For customers using 4" meter	419.30 per month
For customers using 6" meter	592.34 per month
For customers using 8" meter	765.37 per month
For customers using 10" meter	938.41 per month

For customers using meters sizes not specifically listed above, the minimum billing monthly amount will be determined by the City at the time the service is established.

3. Customers whose single-meter usage averages over 8,000,000 gallons per month for a contiguous 12 month period will be charged a minimum flat monthly rate of $134,835.00 each month for the succeeding 12 month period. The minimum flat monthly rate covers usage up to 8,000,000 gallons. Monthly usage over 8,000,000 gallons will be charged an additional $11.01 per thousand gallons.

Minimum Charge per Month

The total wastewater charge shall be no less than $26.30 per month.

Maximum Charge per Month

The following terms are defined:

Winter Period – November 2 through May 1.
Summer Period – May 2 through November 1.

Single-family residential meter readings shall be subject to a maximum monthly billable wastewater consumption of 20,000 gallons during the Summer Period. Single-family residential customers that have maintained water service at the metered location continuously during the preceding Winter Period will have a maximum billable monthly wastewater consumption during the Summer Period using the highest monthly meter reading taken during the immediately preceding Winter Period, not to exceed 20,000 gallons per month.

The above rates are net, the gross rate being five percent higher.

Section 2. This ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after adoption on second reading, the welfare of the City of Oak Ridge requiring it.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Kenneth R. Krushenski, City Attorney

Warren L. Gooch, Mayor

Mary Beth Hickman, City Clerk

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