

# **City of Scottsbluff, Nebraska**

**Monday, January 4, 2016**

**Regular Meeting**

## **Item Resolut.2**

**Council to consider a revised Ordinance dealing with utility rates.**

**Staff Contact: Liz Hilyard, Finance Director**

# Agenda Statement

Item No.

For meeting of: **January 4, 2016**

**AGENDA TITLE:** Council to consider an ordinance dealing with a change in fee structure for charges to users of the City water system who are located outside City limits.

**SUBMITTED BY DEPARTMENT/ORGANIZATION:** Finance Department

**PRESENTATION BY:** Rick Kuckkahn, City Manager

**SUMMARY EXPLANATION:**

The proposed ordinance revises Section 6-6-28 of Ordinance 4174 and removes the tiered time schedule of increased charges for water users outside City limits. The new ordinance proposes a perpetual rate of 1.5 minimum usage charges for all users outside City limits.

**BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that Council approve the proposed change in fees and authorize the Mayor to sign the official Ordinance Record.

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**EXHIBITS**

Resolution     Ordinance     Contract     Minutes     Plan/Map

Other (specify)  \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTIFICATION LIST:** Yes  No  Further Instructions

**APPROVAL FOR SUBMITTAL:** \_\_\_\_\_  
City Manager

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ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SCOTTSBLUFF, NEBRASKA AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE TO REVISE §6-6-28 DEALING WITH WATER SERVICE AND RATES FOR WATER SERVICE, TO SPECIFICALLY SET FORTH THAT ALL USERS OF THE CITY WATER SYSTEM LOCATED OUT OF CITY LIMITS SHALL PAY THE SAME RATE, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION IN PAMPHLET FORM.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SCOTTSBLUFF, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. Chapter 6, Article 6, Section 28 of the Scottsbluff Municipal Code is amended by repealing the existing language and substituting with the following language:

**“Section 6-6-28. Water Service.**

(1) Each user of the City water system located within the City limits shall pay charges based on bimonthly consumption as follows:

<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Rate per Thousand Gallons</u>
Up to 10,000	\$2.216
10,001 to 20,000	1.803
20,001 to 60,000	1.796
60,001 to 100,000	1.775
Over 100,000	1.758

Consumption of any part of 1,000 gallons shall be considered as consumption of an entire 1,000 gallons for purposes of calculating consumption and the applicable rate(s).

(2) Each user of the City water system located within the City limits shall pay minimum bimonthly charges as follows:

<u>Water Meter Size</u>	<u>Minimum Charge</u>	<u>Gallons</u>
5/8" or 3/4"	\$22.16	10,000
1"	40.19	20,000
1½"	76.11	40,000
2"	103.05	55,000
3"	165.25	90,000
4"	253.35	140,000
6"	358.88	200,000
8"	534.63	300,000

Payment of the minimum charge shall constitute payment in full for any quantity of water not exceeding the amount shown in the "Gallons" column opposite the applicable "Minimum Charge." In the case of premises as to which the final date for connection of the plumbing has been deferred under section 22-1-8, there shall be a bimonthly charge for standby fire protection service of \$6.00.

Each user of the City water system located outside of the City limits, except for whole sale water use provided by the City pursuant to the terms of an agreement, shall pay 1.5 times the minimum charges listed above. Provided, whole sale water use and sale shall be sold at an agreed upon amount as set by the City Council for charges outside the City limits.

The rates and fees provided for in this section shall be effective with respect to all connections, installations, and usage on or after January 1, 2016."

Section 2. Previously existing Section 6-6-28 and all other ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed. Provided, however, this Ordinance shall not be construed to effect any rights, liabilities, duties or causes of action, either criminal or civil, existing or actions pending at the time when this Ordinance becomes effective.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and approval and publication shall be in pamphlet form.

PASSED AND APPROVED on \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

Attest:

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Mayor

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City Clerk (Seal)

Approved as to form:

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City Attorney