

**ORDINANCE NO. 10-2974**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF SEWER RATES BY AMENDMENT OF SECTION 1, ORDINANCE NO. 09-2942; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEDFORD, TEXAS:**

**SECTION 1: That Ordinance 09-2942, Section 1, SCHEDULE OF SEWER RATES is hereby amended to read as follows:**

**SEWER RATES**

**A schedule of monthly rates and charges for sewer service furnished by the City's Waterworks and Sewer System shall be and is hereby adopted and established as follows:**

**(a) With the exception of multi-family dwellings, the minimum charge for various size meters per month shall be:**

	<b>New Rates</b>	<b>Old Rates</b>
<b>(1) 5/8 inch meter</b>	<b>\$ 10.88</b>	\$9.71
<b>3/4 inch meter</b>	<b>10.88</b>	9.71
<b>Over 65</b>	<b>9.88</b>	8.82
<b>(2) 1 inch meter</b>	<b>16.35</b>	14.60
<b>Over 65</b>	<b>14.85</b>	13.26
<b>(3) 1-1/2 inch meter</b>	<b>25.49</b>	22.78
<b>(4) 2 inch meter</b>	<b>36.42</b>	32.52
<b>(5) 3 inch meter</b>	<b>65.58</b>	58.55
<b>(6) 4 inch meter</b>	<b>98.46</b>	87.91
<b>(7) 6 inch meter</b>	<b>189.72</b>	169.39

**(b) A monthly volume charge shall also be charged to all customers in the amount of \$1.72 per 1,000 gallons of water used, or wastewater produced, as more specifically set forth hereinafter.**

**The monthly volume charges for Residential Class customers will be based on the individual customer's average monthly water billed during the preceding Winter quarter months of December, January and February; but in no event shall the volume used to compute this monthly charge exceed 12,000 gallons. The volumes used to compute these charges are based on the amount of water used by the Residential Class customer as measured by a meter. Where no preceding winter quarter average is available from records, the Administrative Services Director shall estimate a volume to be used for this monthly volume charge, such estimated volume not to exceed 12,000 gallons.**

- (c) A monthly service charge shall also be charged to all customers in the amount of \$10.88 per unit for multi-family residence occupancy.

A monthly volume charge shall also be charged to all multi-family residences per unit in the amount of \$1.72 per 1,000 gallons of water used, or wastewater produced, as more specifically set forth hereinafter.

- (d) The monthly charges to Commercial and Industrial Class customers will be based on total water use as measured by appropriate meters, with the provision that if a customer can show to the satisfaction of the Public Works Director that a significant portion of the metered water usage does not enter the sanitary sewers, the customer will be charged for only that volume entering the sewers, as determined by a method approved by the Director of Public Works.
- (e) The Director of Public Works shall establish a Monitored Group Class, consisting of those customers whose wastewater strength is, in his judgment, abnormally high or low, and charges to customers in this class shall be computed in accord with the following five-part rate schedule:

#### MONITORED GROUP

Customer Monthly Service Charge	<i>Based on meter size as shown in above</i>
Volume Charge	\$1.72 per 1,000 gallons
B.O.D. Strength Charge	\$0.06954 per pound of B.O.D.
Suspended Solids Strength Charge	\$0.05748 per pound of Suspended Solids
Monitoring Charge	Total Cost to City

The monitoring charge shall consist of all costs for personnel, material, and equipment used to collect and analyze samples from the customer wastewater to determine the strength of the wastewater produced.

The monitored customer's wastewater shall be tested a minimum of once per year, but may be tested on a more frequent basis if deemed necessary by the Director of Public Works, or if the monitored customer requests more frequent testing.

This schedule shall replace all other charges previously made for industrial waste strength.

#### SECTION 2. REPEALING CLAUSE

That this ordinance shall be and is hereby declared to be cumulative of all other ordinances of the City of Bedford, and shall not operate to repeal or affect any of such other ordinances except insofar as the provisions thereof might be inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, in which event such conflicting provisions, if any, in such other ordinance or ordinances are hereby repealed.

#### SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

That if any provision of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of such ordinance shall not be deemed to affect the validity of any other section or provisions of said ordinance.

#### SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

**That this ordinance shall become effective with all sewer charges billed on or after October 1, 2010.**

**PRESENTED AND PASSED on this 14th day of September 2010, by a vote of 7 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions, at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bedford, Texas.**

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**Jim Story, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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**Michael Wells, City Secretary**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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**Stan Lowry, City Attorney**