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Osage Beach Water and Sewer User Rates Updated Rate Schedule Changes Forthcoming

Osage Beach, MO – The City is committed to operating its water and sewer systems in a safe, lawful, and financially sound manner, and providing excellent water and sewer utility services. To achieve this goal, it is necessary to increase user fee rates.

Economic factors, including inflation and supply-chain issues has lead to an increase in the costs of equipment, materials, and labor, coupled with an increase in needed system repairs and improvements, have contributed to increases in system expenditures and use of financial reserves. Rate modifications are needed for the purpose of operating, maintaining, and improving the water and sewer systems, and to replenish adequate reserves and ensure revenues for overall operation and maintenance of the system are generated.

After several meetings and discussions on the topic since January, recently updated rate schedules were presented to the Board of Aldermen on May 9, enclosed.

A Public Hearing will be held on June 20, 2024, at the 5:30 PM Board of Aldermen meeting at City Hall. Two rate schedule changes are anticipated upon Board of Aldermen approval. The Board of Aldermen will consider the First Readings of applicable bills following the scheduled public hearing.

The City's water system was built in the early 2000s and currently serves nearly 6,100 users. The City's 8 wells with 4 water towers produced nearly 380 million gallons of water for our system's users. The City's sewer system was built in the 1980s and currently serves nearly 7,100 users. The system includes over 1,200 grinder pump stations and 59 sewer lift stations. Sewer flows from our system's users equated to over 352 million gallons in 2023.

Over the past four years, the number of utility users has grown 6% in both the water and sewer systems.

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City of Osage Beach, MO - Proposed Water & Sewer User Charge (Rates) Schedule Changes
Board of Aldermen Meeting Agenda Item - June 20, 2024

Water User Charges (Rates):

Metered	CURRENT		PROPOSED 8/1/2024	
	In-City	Out-of-City	In-City	Out-of-City
5/8"	22.73	98.00	26.09	112.50
1"	31.35	136.67	35.85	156.97
1 1/2"	39.94	175.35	45.73	201.45
2"	63.60	281.67	72.94	323.72
3"	237.96	1,064.68	273.45	1,224.18
4"	302.36	1,354.68	347.51	1,557.68
6"	366.90	1,644.68	421.73	1,891.18
Volumetric (1,000 gal)	1.34		1.34	

Sewer User Charges (Rates):

Metered	CURRENT		PROPOSED 8/1/2024	
	In-City	Out-of-City	In-City	Out-of-City
5/8"	18.20	39.58	22.97	50.33
1"	24.45	54.41	30.97	69.32
1 1/2"	30.74	69.25	39.02	88.31
2"	47.98	110.02	61.09	140.50
3"	174.98	410.28	223.65	524.83
4"	222.02	521.48	283.86	667.17
6"	269.06	632.71	344.07	809.54
Volumetric (1,000 gal)	2.52		2.90	

Non-Metered	CURRENT		PROPOSED 8/1/2024	
	In-City	Out-of-City	In-City	Out-of-City
A	33.34	52.58	42.68	67.30
B	211.05	332.85	270.14	426.05
C	343.40	541.53	439.55	693.16
D	738.84	1,165.14	945.72	1,491.38
E	1,433.15	2,260.09	1,834.43	2,892.92
F	4,001.51	6,310.47	5,121.93	8,077.40
G	5,939.55	9,366.76	7,602.62	11,989.45

August 1, 2024 Billing Examples

Sample Billing - Residential, In-City - 5/8" Meter

	Current 5/1/2023	Proposed 8/1/2024		Monthly Increase	Annual Increase
Gallons	5,000				
Water	28.09	31.45	12%	3.36	40.32
Sewer	28.28	34.57	22%	6.29	75.48
TOTAL	56.37	66.02	17%	9.65	115.80

Sample Billing - Residential, Out-of-City - 5/8" Meter

	Current 5/1/2023	Proposed 8/1/2024		Monthly Increase	Annual Increase
Gallons	5,000				
Water	103.36	117.86	14%	14.50	174.00
Sewer	49.66	61.93	25%	12.27	147.24
TOTAL	153.02	179.79	17%	26.77	321.24

Sample Billing - Residential Multi-Family, In-City - Metered

	Current 5/1/2023	Proposed 8/1/2024		Monthly Increase	Annual Increase
Units	16				
Gallons	60,000				
Water	422.64	476.40	13%	53.76	645.12
Sewer	402.08	495.12	23%	93.04	1,116.48
TOTAL	824.72	971.52	18%	146.80	1,761.60
Per Unit	51.55	60.72		9.18	110.10

Sample Billing - Commercial, In-City -1" Meter

	Current 5/1/2023	Proposed 8/1/2024		Monthly Increase	Annual Increase
Gallons	18,000				
Water	54.13	58.63	8%	4.50	54.00
Sewer	67.29	80.27	19%	12.98	155.76
TOTAL	121.42	138.90	14%	17.48	209.76

Water User Charges (Rates):

Metered	PROPOSED 2/1/2025	
	In-City	Out-of-City
5/8"	28.07	121.39
1"	38.61	169.42
1 1/2"	49.28	217.46
2"	78.67	349.51
3"	295.22	1,322.01
4"	375.20	1,682.19
6"	455.36	2,042.37
Volumetric (1,000 gal)	1.34	

Sewer User Charges (Rates):

Metered	PROPOSED 2/1/2025	
	In-City	Out-of-City
5/8"	28.42	62.62
1"	38.42	86.36
1 1/2"	48.49	110.10
2"	76.07	175.34
3"	279.27	655.75
4"	354.54	833.67
6"	429.80	1,011.64
Volumetric (1,000 gal)	3.34	

Non-Metered	PROPOSED 2/1/2025	
	In-City	Out-of-City
A	53.34	84.13
B	337.68	532.56
C	549.44	866.45
D	1,182.14	1,864.22
E	2,293.04	3,616.14
F	6,402.42	10,096.75
G	9,503.28	14,986.82

February 1, 2025 Billing Examples

Sample Billing - Residential, In-City - 5/8" Meter

	Current 8/1/2024	Proposed 2/1/2025		Monthly Increase	Annual Increase
Gallons	5,000				
Water	31.45	33.43	6%	1.98	23.76
Sewer	34.57	41.78	21%	7.21	86.52
TOTAL	66.02	75.21	14%	9.19	110.28

Sample Billing - Residential, Out-of-City - 5/8" Meter

	Current 8/1/2024	Proposed 2/1/2025		Monthly Increase	Annual Increase
Gallons	5,000				
Water	117.86	126.75	8%	8.89	106.68
Sewer	61.93	75.98	23%	14.05	168.60
TOTAL	179.79	202.73	13%	22.94	275.28

Sample Billing - Residential Multi-Family, In-City - Metered

	Current 8/1/2024	Proposed 2/1/2025		Monthly Increase	Annual Increase
Units	16				
Gallons	60,000				
Water	476.40	508.08	7%	31.68	380.16
Sewer	495.12	601.68	22%	106.56	1,278.72
TOTAL	971.52	1,109.76	14%	138.24	1,658.88
Per Unit	60.72	69.36		8.64	103.68

Sample Billing - Commercial, In-City -1" Meter

	Current 8/1/2024	Proposed 2/1/2025		Monthly Increase	Annual Increase
Gallons	18,000				
Water	58.63	61.39	5%	2.76	33.12
Sewer	80.27	95.20	19%	14.93	179.16
TOTAL	138.90	156.59	13%	17.69	212.28