

**ORDINANCE NO. 2548**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TERRELL, TEXAS, AMENDING APPENDIX 1, FEE SCHEDULE, SECTION 27: WATER SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES, PARAGRAPHS (1) THROUGH (4) AND SECTION 28: SEWER SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES, PARAGRAPH (1) OF THE REVISED CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF TERRELL, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TERRELL, TEXAS:**

THAT Appendix I, Fee Schedule, SECTION 27, WATER SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES, PARAGRAPHS (1) THROUGH (4) AND SECTION 28, SEWER SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES, PARAGRAPH (1) of the Revised Code of Ordinances of the City of Terrell, Texas, shall hereby be amended to read as follows:

**SECTION I.**

**SECTION 27: WATER SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES**

The following schedule of monthly rates or charges for water services furnished by the City shall be and such is hereby adopted and established as follows:

- (1) There is hereby established a minimum monthly water use charge based upon the water meter installed as follows:

<b>Meter Size (in.)</b>	<b>Minimum Charge</b>
5/8	\$ 13.70
1	\$ 33.49
1 1/2	\$ 66.49
2	\$ 106.08
3	\$ 211.64
4	\$ 363.40
6	\$ 743.45
8	\$ 1,122.21
10	\$ 1,716.03
12	\$ 2,838.07

- (2) Subject to the minimum monthly charges as provided in subsection (1) above, the following rates per month shall be charged for water furnished:

CHARGE (per 1,000 gallons) for Residential Customers:

VOLUMETRIC RATES					
Rate Blocks (gal.)	0 - 2,000	2,001 - 10,000	10,001 - 25,000	25,001 - 50,000	> 50,000
Volume Charge (per 1,000 gal.)	\$ 3.33	\$ 4.55	\$ 4.94	\$ 5.41	\$ 5.96

CHARGE (per 1,000 gallons) for All Other Customers:

VOLUMETRIC RATES				
Rate Blocks (gal.)	0 - 2,000	2,001 - 10,000	10,001 - 25,000	> 25,000
Volume Charge (per 1,000 gal.)	\$ 3.33	\$ 4.55	\$ 4.94	\$ 5.41

- (3) The monthly charge for private fire protection service shall be as follows:

FIRE LINE CHARGE	
Line Size (in.)	Monthly Charge
4	\$ 20.00
6	\$ 20.00
8	\$ 20.00
10	\$ 20.00
12	\$ 20.00

Water used through a fire protection service for purposes other than testing of system shall be at a rate equal to the largest volumetric rate applicable in subsection (2).

The following schedule of rates or charges for water services furnished by the City shall be and such is hereby adopted and established as follows:

- (4) Wholesale water customer rates. Rates shall be determined by the methodology as stated in the wholesale water customer's contract. Wholesale water customers without a methodology in the wholesale water customer's contract will be charged \$4.28 per 1,000 gallons of water.

## SECTION 28: SEWER SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES

The following schedule of monthly rates or charges for sewer services furnished by the City shall be and such is hereby adopted and established as follows:

- (1) Residential Rates. All residential units shall be charged on the following basis:

Minimum bill	\$22.67 per month
Volume Charge for all Consumption per month*	\$3.57 per 1,000 gallons

\*Volume charges are based on winter-average (Dec., Jan., Feb.) water consumption.

- (2) Lt. Commercial Rates. All commercial customers shall be charged on the following basis:

Minimum bill	\$48.72 per month
Volume charge	\$3.57 per 1,000 gallons

Those businesses not being metered on an individual unit basis, shall be charged a minimum monthly bill per business.

- (3) Heavy Commercial/Industrial. All heavy commercial and industrial customers shall be charged on the following basis:

Minimum bill	\$164.46 per month
Volume charge	\$3.57 per 1,000 gallons

- (4) Pretreatment. All customers that require pretreatment of wastewater shall be charged on the following basis:

Minimum bill	\$648.91 per month
Volume charge	\$3.57 per 1,000 gallons

- (5) Customer Review. Where the city manager determines that wastewater charges should be based directly on the customer's contribution to the wastewater system, volume charges for the discharge shall be made as follows:

Volume charge for normal domestic wastewater per month	\$3.57 per 1,000 gallons of wastewater
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The customer shall pay for any required sampling in advance. The charge for sampling shall be as estimated by the pretreatment coordinator based upon the city's actual cost for similar services.

## **SECTION II**

All rates charged pursuant to this Ordinance shall be subject to an additional 4% Municipal Assessment.

## **SECTION III.**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

**SECTION IV.**

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of the Ordinance are severable and, if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this Ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this Ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section.

**SECTION V.**

This ordinance will take effect immediately from and after its passage and the publication of the caption as the law in such cases provides.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 21ST DAY OF AUGUST, 2012.  
PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 4TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2012.

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HAL RICHARDS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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JOHN ROUNSAVALL, CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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MARY GAYLE RAMSEY, CITY ATTORNEY