

ORDINANCE NO. 97
ORDINANCE SETTING RATES FOR WATER
AND SEWER WITHIN THE CITY OF ZAVALLA;
PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND
FOR REPEAL OF ALL INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ZAVALLA, TEXAS THAT DUE TO INCREASING COST OF MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS OF THE WATER & SEWER OPERATIONS, IMPROVEMENTS TO THESE SYSTEMS TO BRING THEM IN COMPLIANCE WITH T.C.E.Q. RULES & REGULATIONS WATER AND SEWER RATES WILL BE INCREASED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: From and after the effective date of 10-15-13 this Ordinance, the following rates shall be set for water services.

- a. A residential water customer **within the corporate city limits of Zavalla** shall pay for monthly water services at the rate of \$20.00 for the first 2,000 gallons and for the next 3,000 gallons \$2.00 per thousand for the next 5,000 gallons \$5.00 per thousand/ and the next 20,000 gallons \$10.00 per thousand gallons. Any water usage over 30,000 gallons per month shall be at the rate of \$20.00 per thousand gallons.
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Section 2: From and after the effective date of this ordinance, the following rates shall be set for sewer service.

- a. A residential sewer customer **within the corporate city limits** shall pay for a monthly sewer service at the rate of \$23.00 per month.

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- f. Whole sale water **\$10.00** per thousand for the first **30,000** gallons and **\$20.00** per thousand thereafter, if available.

Section 3: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 4: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word in this Ordinance or application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Ordinance and the City Council hereby declares it would have passed such remaining portions of the ordinance despite such invalidity.

PASSED AND APPROVED on first reading the 9 day of September, 2013

PASSED AND APPROVED on the second reading the 15 day of October, 2013

ATTEST: Waunesa Herrington

Waunesa Herrington, City Secretary

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AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 97

SECTION 6: PURPOSE OF SERVICE AGREEMENT: The City of Zavalla is responsible for protecting the drinking water supply from contamination or pollution which could result from improper system construction or configuration on the retail connection owner's side to the meter. The purpose of this service agreement is to notify each customer of the restrictions which are in place to provide this protection. The City of Zavalla's water system enforces these restrictions to ensure the public health and welfare. Each retail customer must sign this agreement before the City of Zavalla will begin service. In addition, when service to an existing retail connection has been suspended or terminated, the City of Zavalla will not re-establish service unless it has a signed copy of this agreement.

SECTION 6: RESTRICTION. The following unacceptable practices are prohibited by State regulations.

- A. No direct connection between the public drinking water supply and a potential source of contamination shall be isolated from the public water system by an air-gap or an appropriate backflow prevention device.
- B. No cross-connection between the public drinking water supply and a private water system is permitted. These potential threats to the public drinking water supply shall be eliminated at the service connection by the installation of an air-gap or a reduced pressure-zone backflow prevention device.
- C. No connection which allows water to be returned to the public drinking water supply is permitted.
- D. D. No pipe or pipe fitting which contains more than 8.00 lead may be used for the installation or repair of plumbing at any connection which provides water for human use.
- E. No solder or flux which contains more than 0.2 percent lead can be used for the installation or repair of plumbing at any connection which provides water for human use.

SECTION 7: SERVICE AGREEMENT. The following are the terms of the service agreement between the City of Zavalla and Water Customer's Name.

- A. The City of Zavalla will maintain a copy of this agreement as long as the Customer and/or the premises is connected to the City of Zavalla's Water System.
- B. The Customer shall allow his property to be inspected for possible cross-connections and other potential contamination hazard. These inspections shall be conducted by the City of Zavalla or its Public Works Director prior to initiating new water service; when there is reason to believe that cross-connections or other potential contamination hazards exist; or after any major changes to the private water distribution facilities. The inspections shall be conducted during the City of Zavalla's normal business hours.

- C. The City of Zavalla shall notify the Customer in writing of any cross-connection or other potential contamination hazard which has been identified during the initial inspection or the periodic re-inspection.
- D. The Customer shall immediately remove or adequately isolate any potential cross-connections or other potential contamination hazard on his premises.
- E. The Customer shall, at his expense, properly install, test, and maintain any backflow prevention device required by the City of Zavalla. Copies of all testing and maintenance records shall be provided to the City of Zavalla.

SECTION 8: ENFORCEMENT. If the Customer fails to comply with the terms of the City of Zavalla's Service Agreement, the City of Zavalla shall, at its option, either terminate service or properly install, test, and maintain an appropriate backflow prevention device at the service connection. Any expenses associated with the enforcement of this agreement shall be billed to the Customer. The Customer must sign and date this agreement.

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE 97 WAS PASSED AND APPROVED ON this the 13 day of April, 2015.

Barbara Bridges

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Mayor Pro-Tem

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Waunesa Herrington, City Secretary

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