

ORDINANCE NO. 15, 2001

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE USE OF AND SERVICES RENDERED BY THE WATERWORKS OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCE, INDIANA

WHEREAS, the City of Lawrence, Indiana (“City”) now owns and operates a municipal waterworks in accordance with the provisions of Title 8, Article 1.5 of the Indiana Code, and acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, furnishing the public water supply to the City, its inhabitants and others in Marion County, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, on December 18, 1989, the Common Council of the City (“Common Council”) adopted Ordinance No. 26, 1989 establishing the rates and charges for the use of and services rendered by the waterworks of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City has caused a rate study of the waterworks to be completed by the firm of Crowe, Chizek and Company LLP, Indianapolis, Indiana, pursuant to its Rate and Financing Report dated October 29, 2001, and based upon such rate study, the Common Council finds that the rates and charges established by Ordinance No. 26, 1989 are insufficient to enable the City to properly operate its waterworks plant, provide for depreciation, debt service on its bonds, and finance additions and improvements to its waterworks system; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council finds that the rates and charges of the waterworks should be increased and that it is necessary to repeal Ordinance No. 26, 1989 and to enact the rates and charges set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council finds that the rates and charges set forth herein are reasonable and just, based upon the aforementioned rate study and the cost of providing service to the customers of the waterworks;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCE, INDIANA, THAT:

Section 1. There shall be and are hereby established for the use of and services rendered by the waterworks of the City, the following rates and charges, based upon the amount of water supplied by the waterworks:

(a) Monthly Service Charge:

	<u>Rate</u> <u>Eff. 1/1/02</u>	<u>Rate</u> <u>Eff. 1/1/03</u>	<u>Rate</u> <u>Eff. 1/1/04</u>
5/8 inch meter	\$ 5.27	6.84	8.56
1 inch meter	6.96	9.04	11.30
1 ½ inch meter	8.65	11.24	14.05
2 inch meter	13.46	17.49	21.86
3 inch meter	48.43	62.95	78.69
4 inch meter	61.43	79.85	99.82
6 inch meter	91.33	118.72	148.40
8 inch meter	125.78	163.51	204.38
10 inch meter	176.09	228.91	286.14
12 inch meter	246.52	320.47	400.59

Additional Charge for Backflow Prevention Monitoring:

Residential Customers	2.00	2.60	3.25
Commercial Customers	5.00	6.50	8.13

(b) Monthly Consumption per 1,000 Gallons:

	Rate Eff. 1/1/02	Rate Eff. 1/1/03	Rate Eff. 1/1/04
First 15,000 gallons	2.60	3.38	4.23
Next 985,000 gallons	1.56	2.03	2.54
Over 1,000,000 gallons	1.30	1.69	2.11

(c) Fire Protection Services:

	Rate Eff. 1/1/02	Rate Eff. 1/1/03	Rate Eff. 1/1/04
Per Hydrant – per year			
Private Hydrant	416.00	540.80	676.00
Hose Connection – per year			
2 inch line	110.90	144.17	180.22
3 inch line	249.61	324.50	405.62
Sprinklers – per year			
4 inch line	471.58	613.05	766.31
6 inch line	1,026.40	1,334.32	1,667.90
8 inch line	1,803.18	2,344.13	2,930.16
10 inch line	2,774.14	3,606.38	4,507.97
12 inch line	4,161.20	5,409.55	6,761.94

Section 2. There shall be and are hereby established for the use of and the services rendered by the waterworks of the City the following non-recurring rates and charges and miscellaneous fees:

(a) Connection and Development Fees:

Assessment

Residential – Single Family	\$1,500.00	per dwelling
One Bedroom – Multi Family	900.00	per unit
Two Bedroom – Multi Family	1,000.00	per unit
Three + Bedroom – Multi Family	1,300.00	per unit
Commercial (up to 5,000 sq. ft.)	1.00	per sq. ft. (min. \$2,500.00)
Commercial (over 5,000 sq. ft.)	.75	per sq. ft. (min. \$5,000.00)
Fire Protection – Residential	200.00	per hydrant
Fire Protection – Commercial	1,500.00	per hydrant
Irrigation System – Residential	50.00	each
Irrigation System – Commercial	250.00	each
Swimming Pool - Commercial	500.00	each
Meter Cost	Direct Cost + Administrative and Overhead Charges of 25% of Direct Cost	
Tap and Inspection	500.00	per tap
Plan Review Fees	90.00	per hour or Direct Cost + Administrative and Overhead Charge of 25% of Direct Cost, whichever is greater

Inspection Fees	75.00	per hour or Direct Cost + Administrative and Overhead Charge of 25% of Direct Cost, whichever is greater
Testing Fees		Direct Cost + Administrative and Overhead Charges of 25% of Direct Cost
(b) <u>Miscellaneous Fees:</u>		
Disconnect Notice	25.00	per instance
Turn on Fee (per instance of turn off) Disconnect for Non-payment)	50.00	
Request by Customer		
Working Hours	25.00	
Night, Weekends and Holidays	35.00	
Change over Fee	30.00	per instance
Temporary Hydrant Connection	75.00	per instance
Late Reporting of Temporary Hydrant Water Usage (must report use of temporary hydrant water usage within the end of the calendar month in which usage begins and within ten (10) days after the end of usage)	100.00	per instance
Deposit for Hydrant Meter	200.00	
Penalty Charge for Tampering with a Meter or Measuring Equipment	100.00	per instance
Fee for bad check/insufficient funds	25.00	per instance
Repair or Replacement of a Damaged Meter		
5/8 inch meter	\$100.00	per meter
3/4 inch meter	130.00	per meter
1 inch meter	160.00	per meter
over 1 inch meter		Direct Cost + Administrative and Overhead Charge of 25% of Direct Cost

Section 3. The rates and charges set forth in Section 1 shall be effective upon the dates set forth in Section 1. The rates and charges set forth in Section 2 shall become effective upon passage of this ordinance. Ordinance No. 26, 1989 shall be repealed in its entirety on January 1, 2002; until such date the rates and charges established therein shall remain in effect. All other ordinances and provisions of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4. If any section, sentence or provision of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances, shall be declared invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any of the other sections, sentences, provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section 5. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor and publication according to law.