

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-__

AN ORDINANCE establishing rates, charges, terms and conditions for domestic water system connections and service; amending sections 7.68.250, 7.68.251 and 7.68.282 of chapter 7.68, Water Division, of the City of Yakima Municipal Code; and providing for an effective date.

WHEREAS, RCW 35.92.010 authorizes cities to own and operate water utilities, and to regulate and control the use, distribution, and price for water utility service; and

WHEREAS, Article IX, Section 1 of the City Charter of the City of Yakima authorizes the City Council to provide by ordinance rules and regulations for the control, management and operation of all public utilities owned and operated by the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has established rates and charges for domestic water connection and service through the enactment of Yakima Municipal Code (YMC) chapters 7.68 and 7.75; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that the rates, charges, terms and conditions for domestic water utility service set forth in this ordinance are fair, just and reasonable; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that adoption of this ordinance is in the public interest; **now, therefore**,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF YAKIMA:

Section 1. Section 7.68.250 of the City of Yakima Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

7.68.250 Water services charges.

A. The charge for domestic water supplied within the city of Yakima shall consist of a ready-to-serve charge and a charge for water consumed. Ready-to-serve charges are as follows:

Ready-to-Serve Charges per Two-Month Period					
Meter Size	January 11, 2019	January 1, 2020	January 1, 2021	January 1, 2022	January 1,2023
3/4"	\$21.68	\$22.76	\$23.90	\$25.10	\$26.36
1"	27.36	28.73	30.17	31.68	33.26
1-1/2"	42.57	44.70	46.94	49.29	51.75
2"	60.85	67.08	67.08	70.43	73.95
3"	103.58	108.76	114.20	119.91	125.91
4"	164.61	172.84	181.48	190.55	200.08

Ready-to-Serve Charges per Two-Month Period					
Meter Size	January 11, 2019	January 1, 2020	January 1, 2021	January 1, 2022	January 1, 2023
6"	317.03	332.88	349.52	367.70	385.35
8"	617.97	648.87	681.31	715.38	751.15
10"	923.97	973.32	1,021.99	1,073.09	1,126.74
12"	1,353.48	1,421.68	1,492.76	1,567.40	1,645.77

Charges for water consumed are as follows, expressed in rates per UOC, where "UOC" means unit of consumption and equals one hundred cubic feet of water:

January 11, 2019	January 1, 2020	January 1, 2021	January 1, 2022	January 1, 2023
\$1.80	\$1.89	\$1.98	\$2.08	\$2.18

B. The ready-to-serve charge may be computed on a daily basis by dividing the two-month charge by sixty days.

C. All charges for water supplied outside the city shall be computed by multiplying the applicable rates set forth in subsections A and B of this section by one and one-half.

D. Home Kidney Dialysis. A residential customer who undergoes kidney dialysis at his or her home, or whose home is also the home of a different person who undergoes home kidney dialysis, shall not be required to pay utility charges for domestic water service or sewer service for the quantity of water that is necessary for the home dialysis. In order to be excused from utility charges under this subsection, the residential customer must present to the director of finance and budget or their designee written documentation annually from a recognized kidney dialysis center certifying that the person requires dialysis and the quantity of water needed for that person's dialysis.

Section 2. Section 7.68.251 of the City of Yakima Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

7.68.251 Bulk Rate

The charge for water supplied through fire hydrants, when the water is used by either the city or a private person for any use authorized by the water/irrigation division, shall be the same as the highest UOC charge set forth in YMC [7.68.250](#). No charge shall be made for water supplied through fire hydrants when the water is used for fire suppression or for maintenance and operation purposes by the city.

B. All water served through a fire hydrant shall comply with YMC [7.68.300](#).

C. Daily meter assembly use charge for temporary water service shall be as follows::

January 11, 2019	January 1, 2020	January 1, 2021	January 1, 2022	January 1, 2023
\$4.20	\$4.40	\$4.65	\$4.85	\$5.10

The minimum meter assembly use charge shall be equal to the daily meter assembly charge.

Section 3. Section 7.68.282 of the City of Yakima Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

7.68.282 Fire service charges.

The bimonthly charge for each fire service shall be as follows:

A. Charges within the city of Yakima shall be as follows:

Size of Service	January 11, 2019	January 1, 2020	January 1, 2021	January 1, 2022	January 1, 2023
2"	\$7.41	\$7.78	\$8.17	\$8.58	\$9.01
3"	10.83	11.37	11.94	12.54	13.17
4"	21.68	22.76	23.90	25.10	26.36
6" including hydrant only	63.72	66.91	70.26	73.77	77.46
8"	135.74	142.53	149.66	157.14	165.00
10"	244.07	256.27	268.08	282.53	296.66
12"	394.46	414.18	434.89	456.63	479.46

B. Daily charge is calculated by dividing the bimonthly charge by sixty days.

C. Charges for fire services outside the city limits shall be computed by multiplying the applicable rate above by one and one-half.

D. The inside diameter of the pipe leading to a fire hydrant shall determine the service charge. Any fire hydrant installed and maintained by the city outside of city limits will be billed as a fire service, which charge shall be terminated at such time as the responsible consumer's property is annexed to the city.

Section 4. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be unconstitutional, unlawful or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect 30 days after its passage, approval, and publication as provided by law and by the City Charter.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, signed and approved this 4th day of December, 2018.

Kathy Coffey, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sonya Claar Tee, City Clerk

Publication Date:_____

Effective Date:_____