

ORDINANCE NO. ~~08~~ -- 10

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MT. VERNON, KENTUCKY
ESTABLISHING RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE USE OF AND THE
SERVICES RENDERED BY THE MUNICIPAL WATER SYSTEM OF THE
SAID CITY, AND PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION AND
ENFORCEMENT OF SUCH RATES AND CHARGES**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Mt. Vernon, Kentucky (hereinafter referred to as the City), has determined and declared it to be necessary and conducive to the protection of the public health, safety, welfare and convenience of the City to collect charges from all users of the City's Water Treatment Facility and Distribution System (hereinafter referred to as the Water System); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary in connection with collecting the charges that a system of user charges be established in order to provide funds needed to pay for the operation, maintenance and replacement and debt service expenses associated with the City's municipal water system;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MT. VERNON, KENTUCKY, that the following users charges are amended for the City's municipal water system.

SECTION 1. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

It is the purpose of this Ordinance to establish user charges in the City of Mt. Vernon, Kentucky to provide funds needed to pay for the operation, maintenance and replacement (OM&R) and debt service expenses associated with the City's municipal water system.

SECTION 2 MONTHLY WATER CHARGES

The charges for the water services by the City of Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, are hereby fixed and established on a monthly basis as follows:

2.1 Minimum Monthly Water Bill for Residents of the City

The minimum monthly bill for the service to residents of the City, which minimum bill entitles each customer to 0 gallons of water each month for such minimum charge, shall be ~~six~~ seven dollars and ~~eighty~~ four cents (~~\$6.80~~)(\$7.04).

2.2 Monthly Water Rate for Residents of the City

The following monthly rates for the water service for all resident water customers of the City's municipal water system shall be based on the customer's monthly water consumption and shall take into account (a) the operation, maintenance and replacement costs of the municipal water system; and, (b) the debt service requirements of the bonds and loans issued on behalf of the City's municipal water system.

The monthly water rates for residents of the City in addition to the minimum monthly water bill charges are as follows:

		Rate per 1000 gallons	
First	8000 gallons	\$2.68	<u>\$2.77</u>
Next	40,000 gallons	\$2.65	<u>\$2.74</u>
All over	48,000 gallons	\$2.59	<u>\$2.68</u>

2.3 Minimum Monthly Water Bill for Non-Residents of the City

The minimum monthly bill for non-resident water customers of the City's municipal water system, which minimum bill entitles each customer to 0 gallons of water each month for such minimum charge, shall be nine dollars and ~~sixty-five~~ ninety-nine cents (~~\$9.65~~)(\$9.99).

2.4 Monthly Water Rate for Non-Resident Water Customer

The following monthly rates for the water service for all non-resident water customers of the City's municipal water system shall be based on the customer's monthly water consumption and shall take into account (a) the operation, maintenance and replacement costs of the municipal water system; and, (b) the debt service requirements of the bonds and loans issued on behalf of the City's municipal water system; and, (c) the higher cost of performing maintenance work outside the boundaries of the City as opposed to maintenance inside the city limits.

The monthly water rates for residents outside of the city in addition to the minimum monthly water bill charges are as follows:

		Rate per 1000 gallons	
First	8000 gallons	\$2.68	<u>\$3.88</u>
Next	40,000 gallons	\$2.65	<u>\$3.84</u>
All over	48,000 gallons	\$2.59	<u>\$3.75</u>

SECTION 3 EFFECTIVE DATE FOR WATER CHARGES

The foregoing water rates and charges shall be effective as to existing water customers on the City's municipal water system for the next monthly billing beginning immediately after the effective date of this Ordinance, and shall be effective as to the respective premises of new customers beginning on the date on which each customer connects their premises to the water line made available to such premises.

SECTION 4 SEVERABILITY

If any clause, provision, paragraph or section of this Ordinance is ruled void or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder hereof is intended to be enacted and shall be in full force and effect notwithstanding.


SECTION 5 ALL FORMER PROVISIONS REPEALED

All City ordinances, orders, resolutions, motions, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith, are repealed.

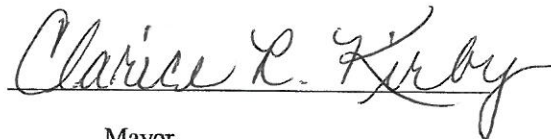
SECTION 6 EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDINANCE

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, recording and publication as provided by law.

This Ordinance, as stated above, is hereby enacted this 18th day of Dec. ^{2008 JP} ~~2009~~.



Attest
City Clerk



Mayor
City of Mt. Vernon

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Date Second Reading

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