Ordinance 2024-04

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LATIMER, IOWA, BY AMENDING 5-5-8 WATER RATES; 5-5-9 REFUSE COLLECTION RATES; 5-5-10 RATE OF SEWER RENT; 5-5-14 STORMWATER RATE AND MANNER OF PAYMENT BY INCREASING THE RATES EFFECTIVE 7/1/24.

Section 1. That 5-5-8, 5-5-9, 5-5-10, 5-5-14 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Latimer, Iowa, that currently reads as follows:

5-5-8 WATER RATES. Water shall be furnished at the following monthly rates per property serviced within the City limits:

1. The first 2,000 gallons or less $16.88

2. The next 1,000 gallons up to 25,000 gallons $2.25 per 1,000 gallons

3. All gallons over 25,000 gallons $0.68 per 1,000 gallons

Filter monthly fee of $3.10

The minimum charge shall be $16.88 per household or business building per billing month.

The City reserves the right to negotiate a rate structure for business and industries that are major users of water.

Further, on each successive July 1 thereafter, the monthly billing for the consumption charge for water used shall be increased automatically by 3%. Said increase shall be automatic unless the Clerk is directed to not make such annual increase by Resolution adopted by the City Council prior to said July 1 date.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84(1))

5-5-9 REFUSE COLLECTION RATES. There shall be collected by the City for its services in collecting garbage and rubbish, the following mandatory fees:

1. Residence Rate. For each resident with alley or curb pickup, $18.52 per month for one garbage or rubbish collection (includes one thirty-three (33) gallon bag that weighs no more than fifty (50) pounds) each week. In the event that alley or curb pickup for any residence is not feasible, the City Clerk is hereby empowered to enter into an agreement with such resident for any additional charge to be paid by such resident for any other location of pickup that may be agreed upon. Additional bags can be picked up, but must have a sticker on each bag. Each bag can weigh no more than fifty (50) pounds.

2. Commercial Rate. Rates for commercial establishments shall be as follows:

2 yd. garbage dumpster w/biweekly pickup $41.70

2 yd. additional garbage dumpster biweekly pickup $28.98

2 yd. cardboard dumpster weekly pickup $28.98

3 yd. garbage dumpster w/biweekly pickup $63.76

3 yd. additional garbage dumpster biweekly pickup $55.07

3 yd. cardboard dumpster weekly pickup $55.07

Further, on each successive July 1 thereafter, the monthly billing for the consumption charge for water used shall be increased automatically by 3%. Said increase shall be automatic unless the Clerk is directed to not make such annual increase by Resolution adopted by the City Council prior to said July 1 date.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84(1))

5-5-10 RATE OF SEWER RENT AND MANNER OF PAYMENT. The rate of sewer rent shall be as follows:

1. $14.64 for the first 2,000 gallons of water used

2. $1.35 per 1,000 gallons and for each 1,000 gallons used thereafter.

The minimum charge shall be $14.64 per household or business building per billing month.

The rent shall be paid with the water bill at the same time as payment of the water bill is due and under the same condition as to penalty for late payment, at the office of the City Clerk, beginning with the next payment after the enactment of this Ordinance, or, if connection has not been made, after the connection to the sewer system is made.

Further, on each successive July 1 thereafter, the monthly billing for the consumption charge for water used shall be increased automatically by 3%. Said increase shall be automatic unless the Clerk is directed to not make such annual increase by Resolution adopted by the City Council prior to said July 1 date.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84(1))

5-5-14 STORMWATER UTILITY RATES. Each water and sewer account within the corporate limits of the City shall pay a Service Charge as follows:

1. $11.26 per month. Exempt from these charges are properties only receiving garbage only services and City owned properties.

Further, on each successive July 1 thereafter, the monthly billing for the Stormwater Utility Rate shall be increased automatically by 3%. Said increase shall be automatically by ordinance unless the Clerk is directed to not make such annual increase by action of the City Council prior to July 1 date.

All stormwater service charges shall be billed as part of the combined service account and shall be due and payable under the same terms and conditions as set forth in Section 5-5-3 and 5-5-4.

Shall by amended to read as follows:

5-5-8 WATER RATES. Water shall be furnished at the following monthly rates per property serviced within the City limits:

1. The first 2,000 gallons or less $17.39

2. The next 1,000 gallons up to 25,000 gallons $2.32 per 1,000 gallons

3. All gallons over 25,000 gallons $0.70 per 1,000 gallons

Filter monthly fee of $3.19

The minimum charge shall be $17.39 per household or business building per billing month.

The City reserves the right to negotiate a rate structure for business and industries that are major users of water.

Further, on each successive July 1 thereafter, the monthly billing for the consumption charge for water used shall be increased automatically by 3%. Said increase shall be automatic unless the Clerk is directed to not make such annual increase by Resolution adopted by the City Council prior to said July 1 date.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84(1))

5-5-9 REFUSE COLLECTION RATES. There shall be collected by the City for its services in collecting garbage and rubbish, the following mandatory fees:

1. Residence Rate. For each resident with alley or curb pickup, $19.08 per month for one garbage or rubbish collection (includes one thirty-three (33) gallon bag that weighs no more than fifty (50) pounds) each week. In the event that alley or curb pickup for any residence is not feasible, the City Clerk is hereby empowered to enter into an agreement with such resident for any additional charge to be paid by such resident for any other location of pickup that may be agreed upon. Additional bags can be picked up, but must have a sticker on each bag. Each bag can weigh no more than fifty (50) pounds.

2. Commercial Rate. Rates for commercial establishments shall be as follows:

2 yd. garbage dumpster w/biweekly pickup $45.00

2 yd. additional garbage dumpster biweekly pickup $30.00

2 yd. cardboard dumpster weekly pickup $30.00

3 yd. garbage dumpster w/biweekly pickup $65.00

3 yd. additional garbage dumpster biweekly pickup $60.00

3 yd. cardboard dumpster weekly pickup $60.00

Further, on each successive July 1 thereafter, the monthly billing for the consumption charge for water used shall be increased automatically by 3% (*WITH DUMPSTER RATES ROUNDED UP)*. Said increase shall be automatic unless the Clerk is directed to not make such annual increase by Resolution adopted by the City Council prior to said July 1 date.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84(1))

5-5-10 RATE OF SEWER RENT AND MANNER OF PAYMENT. The rate of sewer rent shall be as follows:

1. $15.08 for the first 2,000 gallons of water used

2. $1.40 per 1,000 gallons and for each 1,000 gallons used thereafter.

The minimum charge shall be $15.08 per household or business building per billing month.

The rent shall be paid with the water bill at the same time as payment of the water bill is due and under the same condition as to penalty for late payment, at the office of the City Clerk, beginning with the next payment after the enactment of this Ordinance, or, if connection has not been made, after the connection to the sewer system is made.

Further, on each successive July 1 thereafter, the monthly billing for the consumption charge for water used shall be increased automatically by 3%. Said increase shall be automatic unless the Clerk is directed to not make such annual increase by Resolution adopted by the City Council prior to said July 1 date.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 384.84(1))

5-5-14 STORMWATER UTILITY RATES. Each water and sewer account within the corporate limits of the City shall pay a Service Charge as follows:

1. $11.60 per month. Exempt from these charges are properties only receiving garbage only services and City owned properties.

Further, on each successive July 1 thereafter, the monthly billing for the Stormwater Utility Rate shall be increased automatically by 3%. Said increase shall be automatically by ordinance unless the Clerk is directed to not make such annual increase by action of the City Council prior to July 1 date.

All stormwater service charges shall be billed as part of the combined service account and shall be due and payable under the same terms and conditions as set forth in Section 5-5-3 and 5-5-4.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect for the next billing and upon publication as required by law.

PASSED, APROVED, and ADOPTED by the City Council of Latimer, Iowa on the 10th day of July, 2024.

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Mark Johansen, Mayor

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Melissa Simmons, City Clerk