

**ORDINANCE 16-O-22** amending Chapter 33, Water and Sewers, Section 33-1 of the Murfreesboro City Code, dealing with minimum monthly water charges and minimum monthly sewer charges.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Murfreesboro should have water and sewer rates, fees and charges which will generate sufficient funds to retire indebtedness for existing and planned capital improvements of the Water and Sewer Department and to meet its normal operating expenses; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Murfreesboro Cost of Service Study and Pro Forma prepared by Jackson Thornton Utilities determined the water and sewer rates were insufficient in meeting the system's future revenue requirements; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Water and Sewer Board studied and decided to recommend these charges to the City Council on March 22, 2016.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MURFREESBORO, TENNESSEE, AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1. Section 33-1, Water and Sewer Rates and Charges, of the Murfreesboro City Code is hereby amended at subsection (B) by deleting the table titled "Minimum Monthly Water Charges" in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

**MINIMUM MONTHLY WATER CHARGES**

<b>Meter Size</b>	<b>Charge*</b>	<b>Allowance, cubic feet</b>
<b>5/8 inch</b>	<b>\$ 8.22</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>1 inch</b>	<b>19.18</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>1 1/2 inch</b>	<b>41.10</b>	<b>220</b>
<b>2 inch</b>	<b>65.76</b>	<b>400</b>
<b>3 inch</b>	<b>164.40</b>	<b>1,125</b>
<b>4 inch</b>	<b>328.80</b>	<b>2,330</b>
<b>6 inch</b>	<b>685.00</b>	<b>4,945</b>

One Cubic Foot equals seven and one-half (7½) gallons

\*Tax not included

SECTION 2. Section 33-1, Water and Sewer Rates and Charges, of the Murfreesboro City Code is hereby amended at subsection (G) in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

(G) *Sewer rates.* Each customer served by sanitary sewer service shall be charged sanitary sewer service and operation and maintenance fees.

(1) *Sewer customers served metered water by a public utility.* The sewer rate shall be \$3.34 per 100 cubic feet of metered water consumption (\$0.0334 per c.f.) over the stated allowance per meter size. The minimum monthly bills applicable to all customers shall be based upon the following table:

**MINIMUM MONTHLY SEWER USAGE CHARGES**

Meter Size	Charge*	Allowance, cubic feet
5/8 inch	\$10.22	-
1 inch	27.98	60
1½ inch	61.90	220
2 inch	100.06	400
3 inch	252.70	1,125
4 inch	507.10	2,330
6 inch	1,058.30	4,945

One cubic foot equal seven and one-half (7½) gallons.

\* Not including O&M charge

In addition to the sanitary sewer service charge, each customer shall be charged an operation and maintenance fee equal to ninety cents (\$0.90) per one hundred cubic feet of metered water usage.


- (2) Each residential sewer customer utilizing an unmetered water supply shall be charged a flat monthly rate of nineteen dollars and seventy cents (\$19.70). Flat monthly rates for other sewer customer charges utilizing an unmetered water supply shall be as determined by the Water and Sewer Board. Sewerage charges will be applied to all customers receiving sewer service.
- (3) *Accessible sewer customers not connected to sanitary sewer.* Minimum monthly sewer usage charges will be applied to all customers whose properties have accessible sewer as defined in City Code §16-28 and §33-33(D) but who are not connected to the sanitary sewer. Customers not connected to the sanitary sewer will not be charged consumption based sewer service charges or consumption based operation and maintenance fees.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance shall take effect for bills printed on or after July 1, 2016 on its passage upon third and final reading, the public welfare and the welfare of the City requiring it.

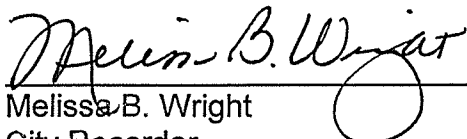
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1<sup>st</sup> reading     May 5, 2016

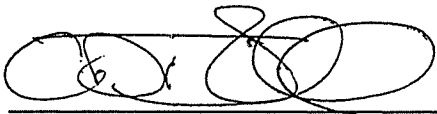
2<sup>nd</sup> reading    May 12, 2016

  
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Shane McFarland, Mayor

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Melissa B. Wright  
City Recorder

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Craig Tindall  
City Attorney

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