

ORDINANCE NO 1349

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KALAMA INCREASING CHARGES FOR WATER SERVICES TO CUSTOMERS TO MEET THE NEEDS OF PROVIDING WATER SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY AMENDING KALAMA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 12.12.010

WHEREAS, the City of Kalama has not instituted a water rate increase since 2010;

WHEREAS, the City finds that costs have increased and current rates are no longer adequate to cover the costs of operating and maintaining the water system;

WHEREAS, the City of Kalama finds it necessary to increase the rates charged to the customers in order to meet the needs of the system;

NOW THEREFORE the City Council of the City of Kalama do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1: Kalama Municipal Code Section 12.12.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

12.12.010 Monthly rates and charges for water

A. The monthly rates and charges for water furnished inside the city limits to all users are fixed as follows:

Customer Class/Meter	Base Meter Charge	Per 100 Cubic Foot Charge
Residential - All Meter sizes	\$ 9.50	\$ 1.70—1.90
Multi-Family - 3/4"	15.00	1.70—1.90
Residential 1"	25.00	1.70—1.90
1 2" A	48.00	1.70—1.90
2"	80.00	1.70—1.90
3"	161.00	1.70—1.90
4"	218.00	1.70—1.90
Commercial/Schools - 3/4"	\$ 11.50	1.70—1.90
1"	14.50	1.70—1.90
1 2"	68.00	1.70—1.90
2"	115.00	1.70—1.90
3"	175.00	1.70—1.90
4"	235.00	1.70—1.90
6"	345.00	1.70—1.90

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	10"	700.00	4.70—1.90
Industrial	3/4"	\$ 11.50	4.70—1.90
	1"	14.50	4.70—1.90
	1 2"	68.00	4.70—1.90
	2"	115.00	4.70—1.90
	3"	175.00	4.70—1.90
	4"	235.00	4.70—1.90
	6"	345.00	4.70—1.90
	10"	700.00	4.70—1.90

B. ~~All industrial users inside the city limits shall pay \$1.45 per 100 cubic feet of usage over fifty thousand cubic feet per month up to three hundred fifty thousand cubic feet.~~

C. Qualifying users inside the city limits shall pay \$1.40 per 100 cubic feet for all usage over three hundred fifty thousand cubic feet per month up to two million cubic feet per month. No user shall be entitled to use more than two million cubic feet per month, unless such capacity exists and is readily available in the water system. A qualifying user is defined as a customer who has negotiated and paid an agreed upon financial contribution with the City based upon its maximum usage capacity, for capital improvements to the water system, treatment costs or future maintenance costs.

D. All charges for water services provided to residential and multi-family residential customers outside the Kalama City limits shall be set at a rate of 185% of the charges for water services within the Kalama City limits. All charges for water services provided to commercial and industrial customers outside the Kalama City limits shall be set at a rate of 150% of the charges for water services within the Kalama City limits

E. Any existing structure having mixed uses and serviced by only one meter shall be classified and charged at the higher applicable meter fee. Any new structures shall be required to meter each classification of usage separately.

F. The base meter fee for water service provided to all manufactured home parks or housing development with multi-family units serviced through a master meter shall be computed on the single or multi-family dwellings with the meter fee computed as if each individual unit were metered separately.

G. The use of fire hydrants and standpipes connected to the city water system for other than fire prevention purposes shall be by special permit obtained from the department of public works Any individual, firm, company, contractor, corporation, or other entity, withdrawing water from city water hydrants and

standpipes, prior to first withdrawing such water, shall obtain a permit therefor from the city clerk-treasurer at the cost as set by resolution of the City Council which shall allow the permittee to withdraw up to 5000 gallons of water under such permit at no additional charge. Additional water may be withdrawn under such permit for the payment of all such additional water at a rate as set by resolution of the City Council. All applicants for such permit shall receive written instructions on fire hydrant use and shall be required, as part of the permit process, to agree to comply with such instructions or be held accountable therefor for any damage to city property.

SECTION 2: Kalama Municipal Code Chapter 12.18.030 is amended to read as follows:

12.18.030 - Discount.

Eligible persons residing inside the city limits occupying residential dwellings shall be eligible for a reduction as established by resolution of the city council, currently (as of January 2015) in the amount of five dollars and seventy-five cents for water and **thirteen (\$13)** dollars for sewer per month, provided they apply and are qualified as low income. For eligible persons residing outside the city limits, the discount will be calculated in the same manner as the water and sewer services are calculated.

SECTION 3: Acts consistent with this ordinance, but prior to its effective date, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

SECTION 4: Severability. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining parts of this ordinance.

SECTION 4: The provisions of this ordinance shall become effective commencing with bills issued for readings taken in January 2015

Passed by the City Council of the City of Kalama at a regular meeting held on the 3rd of December, 2014.

Attest:

Mayor Pete Poulsen
Mayor Pete Poulsen

Coni McMaster, Clerk/Treasurer

Passed: _____

Approved as to form:

Published: _____

City Attorney _____

Effective: _____

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