

ORDINANCE No. 20-009

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARLIN, TEXAS, PROVIDING THAT THE WATER RATE PROVISIONS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BE AMENDED BY SUBSTITUTING NEW RATES FOR CURRENT WATER SERVICE SUPPLIED BY THE CITY OF MARLIN; FINDING THAT SUCH RATES ARE REASONABLE AND NECESSARY, THAT THE DIFFERENCES IN SUCH RATES ARE A REASONABLE RELIEF FOR PAYING WATER CUSTOMERS WHILE MAINTAINING ADEQUATE FUNDS FOR THE COST OF SUPPLYING WATER COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL; THIS ACTION REPEALS PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Marlin, Texas:

Section 1. To provide relief to the water paying customer while still maintaining needed revenue adequate to operate, maintain and service debt requirements for the utility systems it is resolved to:

- a. Decrease gross water revenue by approximately 10% by decreasing the monthly availability charge for all customers and adjusting the consumption brackets and charges.

Section 2. That the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marlin relative to the water rates is amended and such water services shall hereafter be as follows:

RATES FOR WATER SERVICE INSIDE CITY LIMITS (RESIDENTIAL)

There shall be charged and collected from each residential customer of water with a 5/8" or 3/4" meter inside the City Limits a monthly charge of \$52.93 for an availability charge, all consumption as follows:

| Variable Rate | Gallons | |
|---------------|---------|--------|
| 0 | 5,000 | \$6.20 |
| 5,001 | 8,000 | \$6.51 |
| 8,001 | 11,000 | \$6.66 |
| 11,001 | 14,000 | \$6.84 |
| 14,001 | 17,000 | \$7.18 |
| 17,000 | 20,000 | \$7.50 |
| 20,001 | & up | \$7.83 |

Larger meters must add the demand charge listed to the availability charge:

| Inch | |
|--------|------------|
| 1 | \$13.04 |
| 1.5 | \$22.14 |
| 2 | \$41.68 |
| 3 | \$273.49 |
| 4 | \$403.73 |
| 6 & up | \$1,041.87 |

Section 3. That the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marlin relative to water rates are amended and such rates for water services are found to be reasonable and necessary due to higher cost of service outside the City Limits, and such rates shall hereafter be as follows:

RATES FOR WATER SERVICE OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS (RESIDENTIAL)

There shall be charged and collected from each residential customer of water with a 5/8" or 3/4" meter outside the City Limits a monthly charge for an availability charge and all consumption as follows:

Availability Charge \$69.55

Per Thousand Gallons

| Variable Rate | Gallons | |
|---------------|---------|--------|
| 0 | 5,000 | \$6.20 |
| 5,001 | 8,000 | \$6.51 |
| 8,001 | 11,000 | \$6.66 |
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Section 4. CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS
RATES FOR WATER SERVICES FOR CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS

Churches shall be billed as residential. Schools shall be billed as commercial. The inside-outside city limit differential shall apply.

Section 5. COMMERCIAL INSIDE CITY LIMITS

RATES FOR WATER SERVICE INSIDE CITY LIMITS (COMMERICAL)

There shall be charged and collected from each commercial customer of water with a 5/8" or 3/4" meter inside the City Limits a monthly charge for an availability charge and all consumption as follows:

Availability Charge \$78.99

Per Thousand Gallons

| Variable Rate | Gallons | |
|---------------|---------|--------|
| 0 | 5,000 | \$6.20 |
| 5,001 | 8,000 | \$6.51 |
| 8,001 | 11,000 | \$6.66 |
| 11,001 | 14,000 | \$6.84 |
| 14,001 | 17,000 | \$7.18 |
| 17,000 | 20,000 | \$7.50 |
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|--------|------------|
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| 3 | \$273.49 |
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Section 6. COMMERCIAL OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS
RATES FOR WATER SERVICE OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS (COMMERCIAL)

There shall be charged and collected from each commercial customer of water with a 5/8" or 3/4" meter outside the City Limits a monthly charge of \$90.90 for an availability charge, all consumption as follows:

Per Thousand Gallons

| Variable Rate | Gallons | |
|---------------|---------|--------|
| 0 | 5,000 | \$6.20 |
| 5,001 | 8,000 | \$6.51 |
| 8,001 | 11,000 | \$6.66 |
| 11,001 | 14,000 | \$6.84 |
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Section 7. SECONDARY METER RATE

For water service where no return to sewer is involved such as outdoor irrigation systems or various industrial processes, a secondary meter may be installed at the property owner's expense to measure the consumption for such secondary use in order to avoid a sewer charge on that portion of the water consumption. When such secondary meter is installed, it will not be subject to a minimum bill but only charged the variable rate for all usage metered based on the same rates charged at the main meter.

Section 9. That the rates set forth in this ordinance shall be assessed for all services billed on or after October 1, 2020.

Section 10. That all parts of this ordinance in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed, the remained of such ordinance shall continue on full force and effect.

Section 11. That if any provision of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the remanded such ordinance shall continue in full force and effect.

Section 12. That it is the intention of the City Council of the City of Marlin and is hereby ordained that the provisions of this ordinance shall become and be part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Marlin and that sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intentions.

Section 13. The Council finds that an emergency exists that necessitates that this Ordinance become effective no later than October 1, 2020 without the necessity of further action in the event of any inability to hold a second meeting. The City's fiscal requirements require that the increased revenue be available to satisfy bond covenants.


Section 14. That it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this ordinance is passed is open to the public as required by the law and that the public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting is given as required.

Passed, Approved and Adopted on this the 25th day of August, 2020.





Carolyn Lofton, Mayor



Maryann Waddle, City Secretary