BILL 2019-37

Final Reading

Agenda Item

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Zachary Johnson, Utility Director

DATE: September 3, 2019

RE: Water Rate Ordinance

Issues

Current water rates are insufficient to cover current operating expenditures in the Water Department. As our infrastructure ages, distribution and treatment costs continue to rise. Decreased revenue from the loss of Crossroads Correctional Center and other capital improvements make it necessary for a rate adjustment.

Additional revenue from the rate increase will allow the City to begin addressing the delivery point of the GNWWC pipeline.

This proposed water rate adjustment will impact the Cameron residential user (5,000 gal) by an additional $7.84 per month. Small commercial users (10,000 gal) will see an increase of $15.59 and large commercial users will see a monthly increase of $44.39.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that Council approve the new water use rate ordinance. Three readings are recommended and will allow for rate to become effective on October 1, 2019.

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AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI REPEALING THE CURRENT WATER RATES AND ESTABLISHING NEW WATER RATES FOR CONSUMERS OF THE CAMERON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

WHEREAS, the City of Cameron owns and operates a water supply, treatment and distribution system as a stand-alone non-profit municipal enterprise to serve the citizens of Cameron, and

WHEREAS, the system must maintain sustainability of operations, which includes meeting increasing needs for flow and/or quality; and

WHEREAS, the revenue received by the City must be sufficient to treat and deliver water to our customers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Repeal the existing subsection (c) of Sec. 12-136, Water Rates, of Division 5, Rates and Charges, of Article II, Water, of Chapter 12, Water, Sewage and Electricity of the City of Cameron Code and replace it with a new subsection (c), setting new water rates as follows:

(c) User charges shall be as follows:

Water Rates Effective 10-01-2019

Residential and Commercial

First 1500 gallons……... $14.52

Next 10,500……..$9.28 per 1000 gallons

Next 15,000……..$6.38 per 1000 gallons

Excess……..…$4.74 per 1000 gallons

Outside City Limits

First 1500 gallons…….$29.04

Next 10,500……..$18.56 per 1000 gallons

Next 15,000……..$12.76 per 1000 gallons

Excess……...$9.48 per 1000 gallons

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Minimum Bill…….$29.04

Multiple Dwelling Water

Minimum water charge is $14.52 times the number of units in building.

Clinton County Public Water Supply District #3 (PWSD #3) and WMCC Rate

First 12,000 gallons…….$9.34 per 1000 gallons

Next 15,000…….$6.50 per 1000 gallons

Excess……. $4.85 per 1000 gallons

Public Water Supply District #3 (PWSD #3) Resale rate to Public Water Supply District #2 of Caldwell County (PWSD #2).

Per 1,000 gallons…….$5.62

Minimum Charge is $562.00 per month

Section 2. This ordinance hereby repeals all other ordinances pertaining to all water rates heretofore established for users of water in the City of Cameron, Missouri, and any and all other ordinances inconsistent herewith. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force October 1, 2019.

Section 4. The Mayor is authorized to sign this ordinance approving it on behalf of the City of Cameron.

Section 5. The City Clerk is hereby directed to attest to the Mayor's signature.

Passed and approved on first reading this 5th day of August, 2019.
Passed and approved on second reading this 19th day of August 2019.
Passed and approved on third and final reading this 3rd day of September 2019.

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Mayor Darlene Breckenridge

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

FINAL READING