

CHAPTER 62. UTILITIES		
Code Section Number	Description	Amount
<u>62-42</u>	Connection fee	\$100.00 plus inspection and administration fees
<u>62-174</u>	Reconnection fee generally	30.00
<u>62-178</u>	Reconnection charge for illegal action	100.00
<u>62-224</u>	Deposit for temporary or seasonal water service	100.00
<u>62-413</u>	Water utility impact fee	725.00
<u>62-414</u>	Wastewater improvements impact fee	100.00
Division 2, article III	Water rates and other charges	See attached appendix

APPENDIX "B"
WATER RATES AND OTHER CHARGES
APPLICATION OF RATES

All charges for water connections, meter installations, and miscellaneous items detailed in this section shall be paid in advance of any service being rendered, unless otherwise authorized elsewhere in a section of this chapter.

Rates outlined in the section may be changed from time to time by a majority vote of the city council.

BASIC WATER RATES FOR SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCES

Basic water rates applicable to single-family residential customers depend on whether the residence to receive service is physically located within the incorporated limits of the city. The rates are as follows:

Water Rates			August 13th, 2009
Residential Service (Standard)	Base Rate	\$8.90	(6% over current base)
0–2000 gallons	\$8.90 +	\$0.00	per 1,000 gallons (6% over current)
2,001–5,000 gallons	\$8.90 +	\$1.40	per 1,000 gallons (6% over current)
5,001–10,000 gallons	\$8.90 +	\$1.67	per 1,000 gallons (6% over current)
10,001–20,000 gallons	\$8.90 +	\$1.98	per 1,000 gallons (7.5% over current)
20,001–35,000 gallons	\$8.90 +	\$2.61	per 1,000 gallons (10% over current)
35,001–45,000 gallons	\$8.90 +	\$4.83	per 1,000 gallons (15% over current)
45,001 gallons and over	\$8.90 +	\$6.30	per 1,000 gallons (20% over current)
Residential Service (Seniors*)	Base Rate	\$8.40	(Seniors rates are held at current levels)
0–2000 gallons	\$8.40 +	\$0.00	per 1,000 gallons
2,001–5,000 gallons	\$8.40 +	\$1.32	per 1,000 gallons
5,001–10,000 gallons	\$8.40 +	\$1.58	per 1,000 gallons
10,001–20,000 gallons	\$8.40 +	\$1.84	per 1,000 gallons

20,001–35,000 gallons	\$8.40 +	\$2.37	per 1,000 gallons
35,001–40,000 gallons	\$8.40 +	\$3.15	per 1,000 gallons
40,001–45,000 gallons	\$8.40 +	\$4.20	per 1,000 gallons
45,001 gallons and Over	\$8.40 +	\$5.25	per 1,000 gallons
To qualify for Senior rates, the owner of * the account must be (1) 65 years of age or older, and (2) reside at the address to which the account is assigned.			

BASIC WATER CHARGES FOR COMMERCIAL SERVICE.

Commercial Service*	Base Rate		(Base and Rate 6% over current)
C-1 (5/8-inch meter)	\$22.26 +	\$2.50	per 1,000 gallons
C-2 (3/4-inch meter)	\$22.26 +	\$2.50	per 1,000 gallons
C-3 (1-inch meter)	\$33.39 +	\$2.50	per 1,000 gallons
C-4 (1-1/2-inch meter)	\$44.52 +	\$2.50	per 1,000 gallons
C-5 (2-inch meter)	\$46.11 +	\$2.50	per 1,000 gallons
C-6 (3-inch meter)	\$105.74 +	\$2.50	per 1,000 gallons
C-7 (4-inch meter)	\$133.56 +	\$2.50	per 1,000 gallons
Commercial Service includes businesses, apartments, * government, and public accounts.			

WATER RATES FOR WHOLESALE/TEMPORARY SERVICE

Water Rates for Wholesale/Temporary Service (Hydrant Meters) are \$3.34 per thousand gallons (40,000 gallons and under), plus \$5.57 per thousand gallons (over 40,000 gallons), with a minimum billing of \$33.40 (6% over current rate).

WASTEWATER RATES

Residential wastewater rates are based on the average water meter readings taken in December, January, and February and billed at a base rate of \$4.24 plus \$2.50 per thousand gallons times the average water use from the December, January, and February readings.

(6% increase in base; flat rate at cost with CCMA)

New residential accounts without an established average will be billed \$19.74 per month until averaging can be established.

(Same basis as averaged rates)

Commercial accounts will be billed a base rate of \$5.30 plus \$2.65 per thousand gallons of water usage.

(6% increase in base; flat rate at cost + 6% with CCMA)

STORMWATER RATES

Residential:	\$4.12 per month
Commercial (without detention):	\$0.0012 cents per square foot of impervious cover per month.
Commercial (with detention):	\$0.0006 cents per square foot of impervious cover per month.

CUSTOMER SERVICE CHARGE

All charges for water connections, meter installations, and miscellaneous items detailed in this section shall be paid in advance of any service being rendered except in the case of the charge for returned checks. There shall be no exception to this requirement unless authorized by a section of this chapter.

All of the following listed fees and/or charges apply, effective with the date of this chapter, for services rendered by the water department.

a.

Water connection charges. This is a one-time nonrefundable, nonproratable and nonnegotiable charge to new customers when providing requested water service to any new structure. The applicable charge depends on the classification of customer, as shown below, and shall be paid when application for water service is submitted. Applicable water connection charges are:

- (1) Single-family residence ($\frac{3}{4}$ -inch tap) \$500.00
- (2) Single-family residence (1-inch tap) 600.00

b.

Water connection charges. This is a one-time nonrefundable, nonproratable charge to new customers when providing requested water service, which necessitates a tap to the water mains of the city water department. The applicable charge depends on the classification of the customer, as shown in the following and shall be paid when the application for water service is submitted. Applicable water connection charges are:

- (1) Single-family residence ($\frac{3}{4}$ -inch tap) \$500.00
- (2) Single-family residence (1-inch tap) 600.00
- (3) Commercial classification C-1 and C-2 1,000.00
- (4) Commercial classification C-3 2,000.00
- (5) Commercial classification C-4 3,000.00
- (6) Commercial classification C-5 4,000.00
- (7) Commercial classification C-6 5,000.00

Water connection charges are separate and apart from other fees and charges for water service. Monies collected for water connection charges are not considered to be revenues of the water department. Collected charges will be deposited in a separate water system capital improvement account maintained by the city and are for water system capital improvements or debt service deemed appropriate by the city council.

c.

Meter installation charges.

- (1) The charge for installing a water meter for a single-family residence will depend on the size of the meter installed, as follows: (this provides for the curbstop, meter, and meter box, but does not include the water connection charge.)
 - $\frac{5}{8}$ X $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch meter \$150.00
 - $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch meter 175.00
 - 1-inch meter 210.00
 - 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch meter 500.00
 - 2-inch meter 700.00

(The installation charge for larger meters will be negotiated, based on time/materials and cost of meter plus freight.)

- d. Replacement of damaged meter box (for ¾-inch or 1-inch) \$75.00
- e. Excavate, install and/or replace a damaged curbstop, cost + 15 percent
- f. Replace a damaged meter: 1-inch or smaller, the cost of the meter plus 50.00
1½-inch or larger total cost + 15 percent
- g. Replace a meter with a larger size meter: the cost would be the difference in the price of the meters, total cost + 15 percent
- h. Relocate a water meter at the request of or for the benefit of the customer, total cost + 15 percent
- i. Meter test when the meter is not in error 20.00
Plus commercial test.
- j. Turnoff/disconnection charges:
 - (1) When turnoff or disconnection is for a normal discontinuance of water service (see subsection (3) below) 20.00
 - (2) When the turnoff or disconnection is due to delinquency or nonpayment of monthly bill 30.00
 - (3) Additional charge will be imposed for any turnoff or disconnection required to be performed during off-duty hours 20.00
- k. Turn-on/reconnection charges:
 - (1) When the turn-on or reconnection is for a normal resumption of water service 20.00
 - (2) When the turn-on or reconnection follows a turnoff or disconnection due to delinquency or nonpayment of water bill 30.00
 - (3) An additional charge will be imposed for any turn-on or reconnection required to be performed during off-duty hours 20.00
- l. Turnoff and turn-on transfer of existing meter service to new customer 40.00
- m. Miscellaneous charges:
 - (1) Check returned for insufficient or nonsufficient funds 25.00
 - (2) Residential/new account/application fee, nonrefundable 50.00
 - (3) Commercial/new account/application fee, nonrefundable 80.00
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Customer service charges: As a general rule, the following service charges will not be assessed the first time water department personnel are called to service a problem which is determined by the water department to be the responsibility of the customer. However, if water department personnel are called and respond to a service call which has previously been pointed out (to the customer) as his area of responsibility, the following charges apply:

(1)

On-duty service calls:

Minimum charge for the first half-hour, plus parts 30.00

Each hour (or fraction thereof) thereafter, plus parts 40.00

(2)

Off-duty, service calls:

Minimum charge for the first half-hour, plus parts 45.00

Each hour (or fraction thereof) thereafter, plus parts 60.00

(3)

In the event of customer caused damage to city owned utility equipment the following rates shall be charged directly to the homeowner;

a.

Labor will be charged at the actual rate (\$8.00 to \$9.50) per hour that the employee is on site conducting the repairs.

b.

If the event occurs outside of the regular business hours, 8-5, Monday through Friday, the homeowner will be charged an additional two hours of "call out pay" at the prevailing hourly wage of the worker assigned.

c.

Charges for equipment used are as follows:

For use of the dump truck, per hour 20.00

For use of the backhoe, per hour 25.00

For use of the pickup truck(s), per hour 15.00

Ten percent of the total bill will be assessed for administration and overhead.

d.

Homeowner will pay the price for all replacement parts.

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Impact fees: The impact fee (often called a capital recovery charge) is applicable to any customer, whether mains are already installed prior to application for service or are to be installed to serve a new development, and is to provide for partial reimbursement to the city of all infrastructure costs (wells, storage, pumps, mains, etc.) necessary to provide water service.

(1)

Residential 725.00

(2)

Commercial (per EDU (equivalent dwelling unit) 725.00

Note: The impact fee shall be in addition to any other charges such as extension cost, connection fees, tapping fees, etc.

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Additional selective charges:

(1)

Any time an extension of mains is required to provide residential service, the applicant for such service shall pay the full cost of a six-inch main extension, less the cost of the main, valves, and fittings which fall within a street intersection, and less the cost of any fire hydrant (complete with related tee, gate valve, and thrust blocking.) Where such extension is on a street which has no existing or potential improvements on one side (such as an access road adjacent to IH 35) the

applicant shall pay 75 percent of the main cost. For corner lots, the applicant shall pay 100 percent of the cost of main extensions for the lot dimension along the street on which a house is proposed to face, and 50 percent of the cost on the other street, on a nonrefundable basis.

(2)

The city's share of cost will include 100 percent of the cost of mains, valves and fittings in intersections, 100 percent of the cost of fire hydrant, 25 percent of the cost of mains serving only one side of a street, 50 percent of the cost of a main for which the applicant has paid 50 percent where double mains are being provided on corner lots, and 100 percent of the cost of any required oversizing.

(3)

The applicant will be entitled to a refund of construction cost payable by any other applicants for new connections to the subject mains, on a per foot pro rata basis, for a period of ten years. No interest will be payable on such charges, and in event the applicant sells the property for which the main extension was provided, no further refunds will be made.

(4)

The city's share of costs will be paid at the time of construction from funds collected for impact fees. If such impact fees fund has insufficient moneys therein to cover such costs, the city's share will be paid as such funds accrue. No interest shall be paid on such unpaid funds.

(5)

The City of Selma shall implement the imposed Edwards Aquifer Management Fee on each utility bill at the rate of \$.01167 per/100 gallons of consumption, effective with the February 2004 billing cycle.

(Ord. No. 111703-32, 11-17-2003; Ord. No. 011204-37, 1-12-2004; Council action of 8-24-2004; Ord. No. 101404-55, 10-14-2004; Ord. No. 091009-03, Exh. A, 9-10-2009)