

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED WATERWORKS RATES,
CHARGES, AND FEES FOR THE CITY OF BUTLER, INDIANA**

Property owners in the City of Butler, Indiana (the "City") and other interested parties are hereby notified that an ordinance (the "Rate Ordinance"), amending the rates, charges, and fees for water services, was introduced at a meeting of the Common Council of the City (the "Council") held on February 20, 2023. A public hearing of the Council will be held at 7:00 p.m., local time, on March 20, 2023, at City Hall, 215 South Broadway Street, Butler, Indiana, on the matter of the rates and charges. Immediately following the public hearing, the Council may consider the adoption of said ordinance.

The Rate Ordinance provides for an increase in rates and charges as set forth below:

(A) There are established for the use of and the services rendered by the waterworks system of the City the following rates, charges and fees, based on the volume of water supplied during each monthly period:

<i>SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES</i>	
<i>CONSUMPTION PER MONTH (PER 1,000 GALLONS)</i>	<i>Charges Effective July 1, 2024</i>
First 10,000 gallons	\$12.04
Next 20,000 gallons	\$9.06
Over 30,000 gallons	\$8.03

(B) Minimum charge. Each user shall pay a minimum charge in accordance with the size of the meter installed for which the user will be entitled to the quantity of water set out in the above schedule of rates.

<i>MINIMUM CHARGES</i>		
<i>Meter Size</i>	<i>Gallons Used</i>	<i>After July 1, 2024</i>
5/8 inch to ¾ inch	2,500	\$30.10
1 inch	4,286	\$51.60
1.5 inch	10,003	\$120.43
2 inch	18,843	\$200.52
3 inch	42,353	\$400.79
4 inch	92,216	\$801.19
6 inch	142,136	\$1,202.05

(C) Fire Protection.

(1) Hydrants.

<i>FIRE PROTECTION (RATE PER MONTH)</i>	
	<i>After July 1, 2024</i>
Public, (per hydrant)	\$91.65
Private, (per hydrant)	\$91.65

(2) Sprinkler Connections.

<i>PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION, SPRINKLER CONNECTIONS</i>	
<i>METER SIZE</i>	<i>After July 1, 2024</i>
1 inch	\$11.03
2 inch	\$58.14
3 inch	\$95.47
4 inch	\$169.65
6 inch	\$381.82
8 inch	\$501.15

(D) Municipal Drinking Fountain.

<i>DRINKING FOUNTAIN</i>	
	<i>After July 1, 2024</i>
Per fountain (per month)	\$33.37

(E) Trip Fee: A \$50.00 trip fee will be applied, payable to the Butler Water Department. Said fee will be assessed even if a customer fails to keep an appointment.

(F) Temporary disconnection: One free request shall be allowed per year per customer, after which a temporary disconnection fee of \$50.00 shall be assessed and be payable to the Water Department.

(G) Reconnection after nonpayment: There shall be a \$50.00 charge, payable to the Water Department prior to the reconnection, to reconnect a service that has been disconnected for reason of nonpayment.

(H) Meter testing: One meter test shall be allowed per calendar year (January through December) at no charge to the customer. A meter testing fee of \$50.00 shall be assessed, payable to the Water Department, for any subsequent tests during the calendar year (January through December).

(I) Disconnection for repair: One request shall be allowed per calendar year (January through December) at no charge the customer. A disconnection for repair fee of \$50.00

shall be assessed, payable to the Water Department, for any subsequent disconnection for repair requests during the calendar year (January through December).

(J) Temporary users: Water furnished to temporary users, such as contractors, shall be charged on the basis of the volume provided, at the rates described in § 50.11(A), as metered or estimated by the Water Superintendent, payable to the Water Department.

(K) Railroads: Water supplied for railroad use may be billed per terms as shall be fixed by specific contract approved by the Council and the Commission.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and compliance with the procedures required by law. The rates, charges, and fees set forth above shall be effective as of the first full billing cycle immediately following July 1, 2024.

At such public hearing and prior to final adoption of the Rate Ordinance, all interested parties may appear and be heard. The complete text of the proposed Rate Ordinance is on file and available for examination and copying at the office of the Clerk-Treasurer at City Hall, 215 South Broadway Street, Butler, Indiana, during regular business hours, and will be available at the public hearing.

Dated: February 24, 2023

CITY OF BUTLER, INDIANA
Clerk-Treasurer

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