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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 674

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE
IN WATER SERVICE CHARGES AND CONSOLIDATING PRIOR
RESOLUTIONS TO ESTABLISH A COMPREHENSIVE SCHEDULE
FOR WATER SYSTEM POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND FEES.

WHEREAS, the City and Borough of Juneau operates and maintains several separate facilities for the distribution of water, and

WHEREAS, the Assembly is authorized and directed by the Water Utility Code, CBJ 03.10.010 - 03.10.280, to establish from time to time a schedule of rates and charges for connection to and service by the municipal water system, in order to finance the cost of operating, maintaining, and improving the municipal water system, and

WHEREAS, the Assembly has, by Resolutions 96, 122, 239, 267, 308, 329, 475, 511, 518, and 584 imposed such charges, and it is desirable to consolidate these charges in a comprehensive fee schedule, and

WHEREAS, the increased cost of operating and maintaining the municipal water facilities in most areas served requires an increase of approximately 25 percent in water service charges in those areas;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

1. That effective retroactively to July 1, 1980, Resolutions 96, 122, 239, 267, 308, 329, 475, 511, 518, and 584 are hereby repealed.

2. That effective retroactively to July 1, 1980, the following policies, procedures, and system of rates and charges for connection to and service by the municipal water system are hereby established:

A. WATER UTILITY POLICY:

The City and Borough of Juneau shall furnish water service through a municipal water system according to the terms of the Water Utility Code, CBJ 03.10.100 - 03.10.280.

The City and Borough of Juneau shall not be obligated to go upon or across any private property in order to furnish water service.

B. CHARGES FOR WATER SERVICE CONNECTION:

(1) The following minimum charges will be made for each water service connection:

<u>Connection Size in Inches</u>	<u>Charge</u>
3/4	\$ 117.25
1	132.75
1&1/2	164.00
2	197.75
3	257.75
4	320.25

Provided, however, that if the labor, materials, and equipment usage exceeds the charge set forth herein, the charge shall be the cost of the labor, materials, and equipment usage, plus ten percent (10%) for administration and inspection costs. In any case where the providing of such service necessitates the breaking of street paving or a sidewalk, there shall be an additional charge for such breaking based on the labor, materials, and equipment usage involved in breaking and restoring such paving, plus ten percent (10%) for administration and inspection costs.

(2) If, in the determination of the manager or his designee, the customer, including a subdivider developer, applying for service, because of his peculiar and exclusive requirements, will place an extraordinary demand on the system, requiring that the utility encounter additional expense by way of enlarging its system or any part thereof solely in order to meet such extraordinary demand, then the manager or his designee shall require that the customer pay also the difference between the service cost set forth herein and the additional costs incurred solely because of the customer's extraordinary demands.

(3) All applications for water service connections shall be made to the city-borough engineer on forms supplied by him. The engineer shall compute the fees and charges according to the applicable formulas in this resolution, and they shall be paid prior to approval of the application by the engineer. If actual costs are more or less than the amount paid, the excess shall be refunded or the deficiency shall be billed to the applicant. This shall be noted in the agreement with the applicant.

C. ADDITIONAL CONNECTION FEE FOR EXTENSION TO WATER SYSTEM:

(1) Each property connected to extensions of the municipal water system installed in whole or in part at public expense and placed in operation after January 1, 1975, shall be charged an amount equal to the pro rata cost of the necessary extension, as determined by the manager or his designee according to the following schedule:

(a) Residential property:

Single family dwelling \$1,000

Multi-family dwellings:

First unit \$1,000

Each additional unit 250

(b) Commercial property:

3/4" diameter service pipe \$1,000

1" diameter service pipe 1,500

Each additional 1/2" service pipe 500

(2) The rates charged under the above paragraph shall be adjusted annually by the manager or his designee based on the Latest Week Construction Cost Index as published in the Engineering News Record for the week containing January 1st of each year, said construction cost index being 3131.57 for such week in the base year of 1980. This charge shall be in addition to the regular connection charge and shall be added to the next following real property tax bill unless sooner paid and shall be a lien against the property served in the same manner and to the same extent as a lien for special assessment and shall be enforced in the same manner as provided for special assessment liens.

(3) A charge made a part of the real property tax bill shall be subject to penalties and interest in the same manner as real property taxes and shall be paid in full not later than the last day on which taxes may be paid, provided, if the real property taxes are paid in two installments, said charge may be paid in two installments in the same manner as provided for taxes.

D. TURN-ON AND TURN-OFF FEE:

There shall be a fee of \$10.00 for disconnecting a customer by turning off the water service. Such fee shall be imposed for every such disconnection, whether at the

customer's request, or due to non-payment for water services. A fee in the same amount shall be imposed for reconnection by turning on the water service for a new or disconnected customer.

E. RATES FOR WATER SERVICE:

The schedule of water rates shall be as follows:

(1) Metered water service in Juneau Service Area (No. 1).

(a) Minimum monthly charges for the first 4,000 gallons:

<u>Water Connection Size in Inches</u>	<u>Charges Per Month</u>
3/4	\$ 9.96
1	19.93
1&1/2	46.88
2	82.04
3	181.64
4	328.13

(b) Monthly charges for water usage in excess of 4,000 gallons:

<u>Gallons</u>	<u>Charge Per Month</u>
Over 4,000 gallons	\$.95/1,000 gallons

(2) Non-metered water service in Juneau Service Area No. 1.

(a) Monthly charges shall be:

<u>Water Connection Size in Inches</u>	<u>Charges Per Month</u>
3/4	\$ 14.06 + 5.86 each additional unit
1	29.30 + 5.86 each additional unit
1&1/2	64.45 + 5.86 each additional unit
2	117.19 + 5.86 each additional unit
3	263.68 + 5.86 each additional unit
4	468.75 + 5.86 each additional unit

(b) Units shall be determined according to the definitions and schedule adopted in Resolution 673 for sewer service charges.

(3) Water service in Douglas Service Area
(No. 2). Monthly charges shall be:

Single family units	\$ 11.25
Duplex	21.50
Triplex	30.50
4-plex	38.25
5-plex	45.00
Each additional unit	7.50
Churches	11.25
Businesses (with single rest room and tap for personal use only)	11.25
Other businesses	14.25
Cocktail Lounges	21.75
Restaurants	21.75
Restaurant/Cocktail Lounge	42.00
Marine Schools	50.25
Laundromat	75.00
Bureau of Mines	100.50
Public School	117.00
State Highway Building	114.00
City Hall	47.25
Residence with swimming pool	16.50
4' Sprinkler systems	17.25
Hydrants, per hydrant	17.25

(4) Water service at the Juneau International
Airport:

(a) Main terminal building \$93.75

(b) Each detached building \$31.25

(5) Water service in the Green Acres Subdivision.
Monthly charge for each user shall be \$16.25.

(6) Water service in the Golden Nugget Subdivision.
Monthly charge for each user shall be \$31.25.

(7) Water service in the northwest addition
to Mendenhaven Subdivision. Monthly charges for each user
shall be \$13.50.

F. SPECIAL INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATIONS:

An industrial user of water may apply to the
city-borough for a special industrial rate if such applicant
makes a reasonable showing, in the opinion of the city and
borough, that his water consumption from the date of appli-
cation will exceed 18,000,000 gallons per year.

An industrial user, having applied for and having been granted the special industrial rate, shall be charged on his annual consumption as follows:

(1) For the first 25,000,000 gallons per year, \$0.22 per thousand gallons.

(2) For usage over 25,000,000 gallons and up to 60,000,000 gallons inclusive per year, \$0.06 per thousand gallons.

(3) For usage over 60,000,000 gallons per year, \$0.22 per thousand gallons.

An industrial user shall be billed by the city-borough and shall pay \$437.50 each month; after the expiration of a year from the time such user is granted the special industrial classification, the city-borough shall make adjustments upwards or downwards to reflect the actual gallonage used and the rates as set out herein. If the industrial user is found to owe more than the amount paid to the city-borough, the additional amount shall be due and owing upon presentation by the city-borough of such additional charges. Refunds of any excess amount paid by the industrial user to the city-borough shall likewise be paid at the expiration of each year of usage.

G. MONTHLY FIRE PROTECTION RATES:

The following monthly rates shall apply for the specified fire protection systems:

(1) The city-borough reserves the right to install a meter and charge meter rates if the customer uses water from the fire system for domestic services.

(2) The rates for combined fire and domestic systems shall be those charged for domestic use, and such combined systems shall be metered. No charges shall be made for sprinkler heads or hose bibs.

(3) For each city-borough fire hydrant: \$11.00 per month. Persons authorized to use water from hydrants shall be charged according to the domestic meter rates.

H. THAWING CHARGES:

When only the customer line is frozen (and neither the meter nor the service line is frozen), the city-borough shall charge a fee comparable with charges made by commercial enterprises for similar services. Nothing herein shall be construed as obligating the city-borough to thaw

water lines. If it is necessary to thaw the meter, or the service line, or both, no charge shall be made for thawing the customer line, if such thawing is required.

I. DEPOSIT:

Upon application for service, a prospective customer shall deposit with the city and borough an amount equal to the minimum charge for three months' service to the applicant's premises, to insure payment of water service bills. The manager or his designee may apply such deposit to the payment of a delinquent water service account which such deposit secures. Upon payment by a customer of a delinquent account which has been paid by application of security deposit funds, such payment shall be first applied to restore the deposit to its original balance unless otherwise directed by the manager or his designee.

J. REFUND OF DEPOSIT:

Deposits shall be refunded without interest, to the customer upon his application, provided that the account which the deposit secures has been kept current for the 24 months immediately preceding the date of application for refund.

K. INTEREST ON DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS:

Interest at the rate of 0.67 percent per month (8.0% per annum) shall accrue on all accounts from the date of delinquency unless the manager or his designee determines that a longer period of time should be allowed to elapse before interest should accrue. If such determination is made, it shall apply uniformly to all delinquent water accounts.

L. BILLING PROCEDURE:

(1) The city-borough will read water meters on a monthly basis April through October inclusive, insofar as weather conditions permit. Billings dated May through October shall reflect the actual metered usage. Billings dated November through April inclusive shall be on a uniform rate computed by averaging the consumption of the preceding six months.

(2) In the event the occupancy of any premise changes substantially, there is evidence of an occurrence that caused a loss of water that would not normally be repeated, or there is evidence of unnecessary wastage of water, the city-borough may make special and additional meter readings as required and/or establish a normal consumption rate on which to base the uniform billings as hereinabove described.

M. PAYMENT OF BILLS:

All utility bills may be paid at the office of the city and borough treasurer, or at any authorized collection agent of the city and borough.

ADOPTED this 10th day of July, 1980.


Mayor

Attest:


Clerk