

ORDINANCE NO. O-2024-225

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 44, ARTICLE II, SECTIONS 44-29, 44-31, 44-32, 44-33, AND 44-34, AND ARTICLE XI, SECTION 44-344, CODE OF ORDINANCES (2018 EDITION), CITY OF ROUND ROCK, TEXAS, REGARDING UTILITY RATES; AND PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE AND REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROUND ROCK,

TEXAS:

I.

That Chapter 44, Article II, Section 44-29, Code of Ordinances (2018 Edition), City of Round Texas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 44-29. Definitions.

Definitions. The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this Article II, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Billing period means a period of approximately 30 days between meter readings for which water consumption is determined. There are four billing periods per month. Each customer’s billing period for water consumption will be used for all other utilities. The chief financial officer will determine the billing periods for various categories of customers.

Bulk customer means a customer who takes water through a fire hydrant meter.

Commercial customer means a non-residential utility customer, including multifamily uses and schools.

Commercial water use means water used by a commercial customer.

Irrigation water means water measured by a separate meter and used exclusively to irrigate landscaping.

Irrigation water customer means any water customer who uses irrigation water.

Multifamily means a residential dwelling structure: (i) with more than four units, and (ii) which units are not individually metered.

Rate block means the water volume blocks for water and irrigation water, as described in Sec. 44-32, subsections (a)(4) and (7).

Residential customer means a utility customer in any residential structure other than a multifamily structure.

Reuse water means water used by a reuse water customer.

Reuse water customer means a customer of the reuse water utility.

1 Service charge means a utility base charge for each billing period.

2 Service unit is a Living Unit Equivalent as defined in accordance with Development Code,
3 Chapter 1, Article II, §150.

4 **II.**

5 That Chapter 44, Article II, Section 44-31, Code of Ordinances (2018 Edition),
6 City of Round Texas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

7 **Sec. 44-31. - Deposits.**

8 (a) *Definitions.* For the purposes of this subsection, the following terms are defined as follow:

9 (1) *Residential customers* shall mean those customers that are zoned SF-R, SF-1, SF-2, MH, TF, or
10 TH.

11 (2) *Nonresidential customers* shall mean those customers that are zoned for uses other than SF-R,
12 SF-1, SF-2, MH, TF, or TH.

13 (b) *Deposits for water and other utility services.*

14 (1) *Residential customers.*

15 a. *Water customer deposit.* Upon making application for water or reuse water service, a
16 residential customer shall pay a water services deposit in the amount of \$100.00 per
17 residential dwelling unit. This deposit will also cover sewer and/or garbage services.

18 b. *Non-water customer deposit.* Upon making application for sewer and/or garbage service, but
19 not water service, a residential customer not receiving water service shall pay a deposit in
20 the amount of \$25.00 for sewer service and/or a deposit in the amount of \$25.00 for garbage
21 service.

22 c. *Deposit waiver.* Deposits shall be waived for the following residential customers:

23 1. An existing customer making a new application for services who in the twelve (12)
24 months preceding the date of the new application for services:

25 i. Has not had more than one (1) late payment for services;

26 ii. Has not had services disconnected for nonpayment;

27 iii. Has not been issued more than one (1) insufficient funds notice from the city; and

28 iv. Has not engaged in meter tampering.

29 2. A new customer making an application for services who provides a letter of credit from
30 another utility, or a document the director deems comparable to a letter of credit, stating
31 that in the twelve (12) months preceding the date of application for services the
32 customer:

33 i. Has not had more than one (1) late payment for services;

34 ii. Has not had services disconnected for nonpayment; and

35 iii. Has not been issued more than one (1) insufficient funds notice from the utility.

36 3. An existing customer making a new application for services sixty-five (65) years of age
37 or older who does not have an existing past due balance at the time of application for
38 services.

1 4. A new or existing customer making an application for services who is military personnel
2 returning from deployment and presents U.S. military orders confirming deployment
3 within the last twelve (12) months.

4 **ed. Refund.** The above deposit(s) shall be refunded to the customer when:

5 1. Service is cancelled; provided, however, that any unpaid charges shall first be deducted
6 from the deposit; or

7 2. The customer shall have 12 consecutive months of satisfactory payment history; or

8 3. The customer has completed twelve (12) consecutive months of automatic payments
9 using credit, debit, or bank draft with no more than one (1) late payment and no more
10 than one (1) insufficient funds notice issued by the city.

11 **de. Additional deposit.** If the city has refunded the customer's deposit for "satisfactory payment
12 history" under subsection (c) above, and thereafter the customer's service has been
13 discontinued for nonpayment or meter tampering, then the customer shall pay additional
14 deposit(s) in the same amounts as set forth above. In that event, the customer shall
15 thereafter be entitled to a satisfactory payment history deposit refund upon completion of the
16 required 12 consecutive months of satisfactory payment history, as computed from the date
17 of reconnect.

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19 **III.**

20 That Chapter 44, Article II, Section 44-32, Code of Ordinances (2018 Edition),

21 City of Round Texas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 **Sec. 44-32. - Water rates.**

23 **(a) Water rates for retail customers.**

24 (1) **Definitions.** ~~See Sec. 44-29 for definitions. The following words, terms and phrases, when used~~
25 ~~in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the~~
26 ~~context clearly indicates a different meaning:~~

27 ~~*Billing period* means a period of approximately 30 days between meter readings for which water~~
28 ~~consumption is determined. The chief financial officer will determine the billing periods for various~~
29 ~~categories of customers.~~

30 ~~*Commercial customer* means a non-residential water customer, including multifamily uses and~~
31 ~~schools.~~

32 ~~*Commercial water use* means water used by a commercial customer.~~

33 ~~*Irrigation water* means water measured by a separate meter and used exclusively to irrigate~~
34 ~~landscaping.~~

35 ~~*Irrigation water customer* means any water customer who uses irrigation water.~~

36 ~~*Multifamily* means a residential dwelling structure: (i) with more than four units, and (ii) which are~~
37 ~~not individually metered.~~

38 ~~*Rate block* means the water volume blocks, as described in subsections (a)(4) and (7) of this~~
39 ~~section.~~

40 ~~*Residential customer* means a water customer in any residential structure other than a multifamily~~
41 ~~structure.~~

42 ~~*Service unit* is defined in accordance with subsection 44-37(e).~~

1 (2) *Determination of service units.*

2 a. *Conversion table.* The number of service units for water service is determined by the size
3 and type of the water meter purchased for and/or providing service to the property in
4 accordance with the following schedule:

Meter Size (inches)	Service Units
5/8	1.0
3/4	1.5
1	2.5
1.5	5.0
2	8.0
3	16.0
4	25.0
6	50.0
8	80.0
10 or more	115.0

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6 b. *No adjustment.* No adjustment in service units shall be made for water use or fire demand
7 that falls between standard meter sizes.

8 c. *Adjustment for fire flows meters and multiple meters.* In the event that a customer has either:
9 (i) a meter that is oversized because of fire flow requirements; or (ii) more than one meter,
10 such as where a fire flow meter is utilized in combination with a standard usage meter, the
11 director of ~~utilities~~ public works shall determine the number of service units for the customer
12 in accordance with generally accepted engineering and/or planning standards and assign an
13 equivalent meter size for billing purposes.

14 (3) *Revision of service unit determination.* The city may revise the service unit determination of a
15 specific customer or customer class in accordance with generally accepted engineering or
16 planning standards and based on applicable historical data and trends.

17 (4) *Rate blocks for residential customers by service units.*

18 a. *Rate block one by service units is as follows:*

Meter Size in inches	Number of Service Units	Volume by Gallons <u>Per Billing Period</u>

5/8	1.0	0 to 10,000 to 15,000
3/4	1.5	0 to 15,000 to 22,500
1.0	2.5	0 to 25,000 to 37,500

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b. *Rate block two by service units is as follows:*

Meter Size in inches	Number of Service Units	Volume by Gallons Per Billing Period
5/8	1.0	10,001 to 18,000 15,001 to 21,000
3/4	1.5	22,501 to 31,500 15,001 to 27,000
1.0	2.5	25,001 to 45,000 37,501 to 52,500

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c. *Rate block three by service units is as follows:*

Meter Size in inches	Number of Service Units	Volume by Gallons Per Billing Period
5/8	1.0	18,001 to 26,000 21,001 to 27,000
3/4	1.5	27,001 to 39,000 31,501 to 40,500
1.0	2.5	45,001 to 65,000 52,501 to 67,500

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d. *Rate block four by service units is as follows:*

Meter Size in inches	Number of Service Units	Volume by Gallons Per Billing Period
5/8	1.0	26,001 to 34,000 More than 27,000
3/4	1.5	39,001 to 51,000 More than 40,500
1.0	2.5	65,001 to 85,000 More than 67,500

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e. *Rate block five by service units is as follows:*

<u>Meter Size in inches</u>	<u>Number of Service Units.</u>	<u>Volume by Gallons Per Billing Period.</u>
<u>5/8</u>	<u>1.0</u>	<u>More than 34,000</u>
<u>3/4</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>More than 51,000</u>
<u>1.0</u>	<u>2.5</u>	<u>More than 85,000</u>

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(5) Residential customer volume rates for billing periods. For water consumed by residential customers during billing periods, each residential customer shall pay a volume rate in the amount set forth below per 1,000 gallons or fraction thereof consumed during such billing period:

	<u>Volume Charge Effective October 1, 2018 November 1, 2024</u>	<u>Volume Charge Effective November 1, 2025</u>	<u>Volume Charge Effective November 1, 2026.</u>
Rate Block One	\$2.56 <u>\$2.56</u>	<u>\$2.57</u>	<u>\$2.57</u>
Rate Block Two	\$3.41 <u>\$3.20</u>	<u>\$3.63</u>	<u>\$3.86</u>
Rate Block Three	\$4.27 <u>\$3.85</u>	<u>\$4.70</u>	<u>\$5.14</u>
Rate Block Four	\$5.77 <u>\$6.40</u>	<u>\$7.04</u>	<u>\$7.71</u>
<u>Rate Block Five</u>	<u>\$6.85</u>	<u>\$7.96</u>	<u>\$9.11</u>

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(6) Commercial customer volume rates for billing periods. For water consumed by commercial customers during billing periods, each commercial customer shall pay a volume rate in the amount set forth below per 1,000 gallons or fraction thereof consumed during such billing period:

<u>Volume Charge Effective October 1, 2018 November 1, 2024</u>	<u>Volume Charge Effective November 1, 2025.</u>	<u>Volume Charge Effective November 1, 2026.</u>
\$2.80 <u>\$2.90</u>	<u>\$3.02</u>	<u>\$3.13</u>

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(7) Rate blocks for irrigation customers by service units.

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a. Rate block one by service units is as follows:

Meter Size in inches	Number of Service Units	Volume by Gallons Per Billing Period
5/8	1.0	0 to 18,000 to 21,000
3/4	1.5	0 to 27,000 to 31,500
1.0	2.5	0 to 45,000 to 52,500
1.5	5.0	0 to 90,000 to 105,000
2.0	8.0	0 to 144,000 to 168,000
3.0	16.0	0 to 288,000 to 336,000
4.0	25.0	0 to 450,000 to 525,000
6.0	50	0 to 900,000 to 1,050,000
8.0	80	0 to 1,440,000 to 1,680,000
10 or more	115	0 to 2,070,000 to 2,415,000

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b. Rate block two by service units is as follows:

Meter Size in inches	Number of Service Units	Volume by Gallons Per Billing Period
5/8	1.0	18,001 to 26,000 21,001 to 27,000
3/4	1.5	27,001 to 39,000 31,501 to 40,500
1.0	2.5	45,001 to 65,000 52,501 to 67,500
1.5	5.0	90,001 to 130,000 105,001 to 135,000
2.0	8.0	144,001 to 208,000 168,001 to 216,000

3.0	16	<u>288,001 to 416,000</u> 336,001 to 432,000
4.0	25	<u>450,001 to 650,000</u> 525,001 to 675,000
6.0	50	<u>900,001 to 1,300,000</u> 1,050,001 to 1,350,000
8.0	80	<u>1,440,001 to 2,080,000</u> 1,680,001 to 2,160,000
10 or more	115	<u>2,070,001 to 2,990,000</u> 2,415,001 to 3,105,000

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c. *Rate block three by service units is as follows:*

Meter Size in inches	Number of Service Units	Volume by Gallons Per Billing Period
5/8	1.0	<u>26,001 to 34,000</u> More than 27,000
3/4	1.5	<u>39,001 to 51,000</u> More than 40,500
1.0	2.5	<u>65,001 to 85,000</u> More than 67,500
1.5	5.0	<u>130,001 to 170,000</u> More than 135,000
2.0	8.0	<u>208,001 to 272,000</u> More than 216,000
3.0	16	<u>416,001 to 544,000</u> More than 432,000
4.0	25	<u>650,001 to 850,000</u> More than 675,000
6.0	50	<u>1,300,001 to 1,700,000</u> More than 1,350,000
8.0	80	<u>2,080,001 to 2,720,000</u> More than 2,160,000
10 or more	115	<u>2,990,001 to 3,910,000</u> More than 3,105,000

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d. *Rate block four by service units is as follows:*

<u>Meter Size in inches</u>	<u>Number of Service Units</u>	<u>Volume by Gallons Per Billing Period</u>

<u>5/8</u>	<u>1.0</u>	<u>More Than 34,000</u>
<u>3/4</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>More Than 51,000</u>
<u>1.0</u>	<u>2.5</u>	<u>More Than 85,000</u>
<u>1.5</u>	<u>5.0</u>	<u>More Than 170,000</u>
<u>2.0</u>	<u>8.0</u>	<u>More Than 272,000</u>
<u>3.0</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>More Than 544,000</u>
<u>4.0</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>More Than 850,000</u>
<u>6.0</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>More Than 1,700,000</u>
<u>8.0</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>More Than 2,720,000</u>
<u>10 or more</u>	<u>115</u>	<u>More Than 3,910,000</u>

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(8) *Irrigation customer volume rates for billing periods.* For water consumed by irrigation customers during billing periods, each irrigation customer shall pay a volume rate in the amount set forth below per 1,000 gallons or fraction thereof consumed during such billing period:

	Volume Charge Effective October 1, 2018 <u>November 1, 2024</u>	Volume Charge Effective <u>November 1, 2025.</u>	Volume Charge Effective <u>November 1, 2026.</u>
Rate Block One	<u>\$3.41</u> \$3.20	<u>\$3.63</u>	<u>\$3.86</u>
Rate Block Two	<u>\$4.27</u> \$3.85	<u>\$4.70</u>	<u>\$5.14</u>
Rate Block Three	<u>\$6.40</u> \$5.77	<u>\$7.04</u>	<u>\$7.71</u>
<u>Rate Block Four</u>	<u>\$6.85</u>	<u>\$7.96</u>	<u>\$9.11</u>

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(9) *Monthly-Billing period service charge.* Except as provided below, in addition to the above volume rates, each residential, commercial, and irrigation customer shall also pay a monthly billing period water service charge pursuant to the following schedule regardless of the amount of water used:

Meter Size in inches	Monthly Service Charge Effective October 1, 2018 November 1, 2024	Service Charge Effective November 1, 2025.	Service Charge Effective November 1, 2026.
5/8	\$17.35 \$16.52	\$18.21	\$19.12
3/4	\$24.15 \$23.00	\$25.36	\$26.63
1	\$38.14 \$36.32	\$40.04	\$42.04
1-1/2	\$73.07 \$69.59	\$76.72	\$80.56
2	\$114.99 \$109.54	\$120.73	\$126.77
3	\$212.81 \$202.68	\$223.45	\$234.63
4	\$352.58 \$335.79	\$370.21	\$388.72
6	\$1,099.20 \$1,046.86	\$1,154.16	\$1,211.87
8	\$1,921.26 \$1,829.77	\$2,017.32	\$2,118.19
10	\$3,017.35 \$2,873.67	\$3,168.22	\$3,326.63
12	\$3,702.42 \$3,526.11	\$3,887.54	\$4,081.91

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- a. *Medicaid exemption discontinued after October 1, 2005.* Except as provided in subsection (a)(9)b of this section, on and after October 1, 2005, the monthly water service charge exemption for head of household residents eligible for Medicaid benefits will be discontinued.
- b. *Exemption for current recipients.* For residential service located within the corporate city limits where the head of the household is eligible for Medicaid benefits, and if said resident head of household was receiving the Medicaid exemption from the monthly water service charge prior to October 1, 2005, and if said resident head of household re-applies for said exemption between October 1 and October 30 of each year, then the exemption from paying the monthly water service charge shall continue until the head of the household is no longer eligible for Medicaid benefits, as determined by federal guidelines and as administered by the state.

1 c. *Unlawful acceptance of exemption or discount.* It shall be unlawful for any person to apply
 2 for and/or receive a water rate discount or exemption from the monthly water service charge
 3 if such person is not eligible to receive said discount or exemption.

4 (10) *Outside city limits.* The above water rates and service charges apply to all customers located
 5 within the corporate limits of the city. All customers located outside of the corporate limits of
 6 the city shall pay double the applicable rates charged customers within the corporate limits of
 7 the city, unless a different rate is approved by the council pursuant to a contractual
 8 agreement.

9 (11) *Age 65 years and older.*

10 a. *Discounts discontinued after June 10, 1993.* Except as provided below, on and after June
 11 10, 1993, the water rate discount for head of household residents 65 years of age and older
 12 will be discontinued. All head of household residents 65 years of age and older actually
 13 receiving said discounts prior to June 10, 1993, shall continue to receive said discounts as
 14 stated in this section, so long as they re-apply for said discounts before October 30 of each
 15 year.

16 b. *Discounts for current recipients.* For residential service located within the corporate city limits
 17 where the head of the household has attained the age of 65, and if said resident head of
 18 household was receiving water rate discounts prior to June 10, 1993, and if said resident
 19 head of household re-applies for said discounts between October 1 and October 30 of each
 20 year, then the following schedule of monthly rates or charges for services furnished by the
 21 city's water system shall be and such is hereby adopted and established as follows:

22 1. *Rate.*

Number of Gallons of Water Used	Monthly Water Rates
1—20,000 gallons	\$1.20 per 1,000 gallons
20,000 gallons to 75,000 gallons	\$1.45 per 1,000 gallons used exceeding 20,000 gallons up to 75,000 gallons
Use exceeding 75,000 gallons	\$1.70 per 1,000 used exceeding 75,000 gallons

23 2. *Monthly charge.* In addition to the foregoing rates, each customer shall also pay a
 24 monthly water service charge of \$5.50 regardless of the amount of water used.
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 27 (b) *Water rates ~~and permit fees~~ for bulk-users customers.*

Fire Hydrant Meter Size	<u>Monthly Base Rate</u> <u>Service Charge</u>	<u>Monthly Base Rate</u> <u>Service Charge</u>	<u>Monthly Base Rate</u> <u>Service Charge</u>
	<u>Effective October</u> <u>November 1, 2024.</u>	<u>Effective November</u> <u>October 1, 2025.</u>	<u>Effective November</u> <u>October 1, 2026.</u>

5/8 inch	\$80.00 \$75.00	<u>\$85.00</u>	<u>\$90.00</u>
1 inch	\$105.00 \$100.00	<u>\$110.00</u>	<u>\$115.00</u>
3 inch	\$160.00 \$150.00	<u>\$170.00</u>	<u>\$175.00</u>

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Bulk use customers volume rates for billing periods. For water consumed by bulk use customers during billing periods, each bulk use customer shall pay a volume rate in the amount set forth below per 1,000 gallons or fraction thereof consumed during such billing period:

Volume Charge Effective October November 1, 2024-18	Volume Charge Effective October November 1, 2025-	Volume Charge Effective October November 1, 2026-
<u>\$2.90</u> \$2.80	<u>\$3.02</u>	<u>\$3.13</u>

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(c) **Water Rates for ~~water service to~~ wholesale customers.**

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(1) The rate for water service to a wholesale customer shall consist of a monthly base charge and a volumetric charge per 1,000 gallons of water used.

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(2) The monthly base charge and the volumetric charge for water to wholesale customers are as follows:

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a. *Aqua Texas, Inc.:*

	Effective February 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2023
Base Charge	\$5,520.00	\$5,570.00	\$5,621.00
Volume Charge	\$2.75	\$2.80	\$2.84

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b. *Fern Bluff Municipal Utility District:*

	Effective February 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2023
Base Charge	\$27,205.00	\$27,324.00	\$27,443.00
Volume Charge	\$2.93	\$2.97	\$3.00

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c. *Paloma Lake Municipal District Nos. 1 & 2 (Consolidated):*

	Effective February 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2023
Base Charge	\$5,353.00	\$5,353.00	\$5,353.00
Volume Charge	\$3.82	\$3.82	\$3.82

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d. *R&R Mobile:*

	Effective February 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2023
Base Charge	\$1,069.00	\$1,069.00	\$1,069.00
Volume Charge	\$2.39	\$2.39	\$2.39

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e. *Walsh Ranch Municipal Utility District:*

	Effective February 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2023
Base Charge	\$3,673.00	\$3,679.00	\$3,685.00
Volume Charge	\$3.26	\$3.29	\$3.32

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f. *Williamson County Municipal Utility District #10:*

	Effective February 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2023
Base Charge	\$15,907.00	\$15,968.00	\$16,029.00
Volume Charge	\$2.88	\$2.91	\$2.95

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g. *Williamson County Municipal Utility District #11:*

	Effective February 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2023
Base Charge	\$14,307.00	\$14,307.00	\$14,307.00
Volume Charge	\$3.14	\$3.14	\$3.14

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h. Vista Oaks Municipal Utility District:

	Effective February 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2023
Base Charge	\$ 12,760.00	\$ 12,981.00	\$13,205.00
Volume Charge	\$ 2.92	\$ 2.99	\$3.07

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i. Round Rock Ranch PUD:

	Effective February 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2022	Effective October 1, 2023
Base Charge	\$ 1,070.00	\$ 1,074.00	\$1,079.00
Volume Charge	\$ 2.26	\$ 2.29	\$2.31

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IV.

7 That Chapter 44, Article II, Section 44-33, Code of Ordinances (2018 Edition),
8 City of Round Texas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 **Sec. 44-33. - Reuse water rates.**

10 (a) **Reuse water rates.**

11 (1) *Volume rates.* For reuse water consumed, each reuse water customer shall pay a volume rate in
12 the amount set forth below per 1,000 gallons or fraction thereof consumed during such billing
13 period:

Effective October November 1, 2024-18	Effective November October 1, 2025-	Effective November October 1, 2026-
\$1.97 \$1.92	\$2.03	\$2.09

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(2) Billing period ~~Monthly~~ **service charge.** Except as provided below, in addition to the above
volume rates, each reuse water customer shall pay ~~a monthly a reuse~~ water service charge per
billing period pursuant to the following schedule regardless of the amount of water used:

Meter Size in inches	Monthly-Service Charge Effective October November 1, 2024-18	Monthly-Service Charge Effective October November 1, 2025.	Monthly-Service Charge Effective October November 1, 2026.
5/8	<u>17.35</u> \$16.52	<u>18.21</u>	<u>19.12</u>
3/4	<u>24.15</u> \$23.00	<u>25.36</u>	<u>26.63</u>
1	<u>38.14</u> \$36.32	<u>40.04</u>	<u>42.04</u>
1-1/2	<u>73.07</u> \$69.59	<u>76.72</u>	<u>80.56</u>
2	<u>114.99</u> \$109.51	<u>120.73</u>	<u>126.77</u>
3	<u>212.81</u> \$202.68	<u>223.45</u>	<u>234.63</u>
4	<u>352.58</u> \$335.79	<u>370.21</u>	<u>388.72</u>
6	<u>1,099.20</u> \$1,046.86	<u>1,154.16</u>	<u>1,211.87</u>
8	<u>1,921.26</u> \$1,829.77	<u>2,017.32</u>	<u>2,118.19</u>
10	<u>3,017.35</u> \$2,873.67	<u>3,168.22</u>	<u>3,326.63</u>
12	<u>3,702.42</u> \$3,526.11	<u>3,887.54</u>	<u>4,081.91</u>

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(23) ~~Billing period~~ ~~Service charge for single-family residential~~. Single-family residential homes with city water service that have reuse water meters shall pay 50 percent of the ~~monthly billing period~~ service charges for reuse meters.

(34) ~~Outside city limits~~. The above reuse water rates and service charges apply to all customers located within the corporate limits of the city. All customers located outside of the corporate limits of the city shall pay double the applicable rates charged customers within the corporate limits of the city, unless a different rate is approved by the council pursuant to a contractual agreement.

V.

That Chapter 44, Article II, Section 44-34 Code of Ordinances (2018 Edition),

City of Round Texas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 44-34. - Sewer rates.

(a) *Sewer rates for retail customers inside the city limits.*

1 ~~The rate schedule for retail customers of the city's sanitary sewer system shall be as hereinafter set~~
 2 ~~forth.~~

3 (1) *Volume rates.* The sewer volume rate for retail customers shall be in an amount set forth below
 4 per 1,000 gallons of water used for all users:

<u>Volume Rate Effective</u> <u>October November 1, 2024.</u>	<u>Volume Rate Effective</u> <u>October November 1, 2025.</u>	<u>Volume Rate Effective</u> <u>October November 1,</u> <u>2026.</u>
<u>\$3.15</u>	<u>\$3.21</u>	<u>\$3.28</u>

5 ~~Charge effective February 1, 2022\$3.09~~

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 7 (2) *Monthly Billing period service charge.* Except as provided below, in addition to the foregoing
 8 volume rates, each customer shall also pay a ~~monthly billing period~~ sewer service charge
 9 pursuant to the following schedule, regardless of the amount of water used:

Meter Size	Monthly Service Charge Effective October 1, 2017
5/8"	\$13.27
3/4"	\$17.31
1"	\$24.82
1-1/2"	\$45.26
2"	\$69.79
3"	\$127.01
4"	\$208.75
6"	\$615.27
8"	\$1,073.67
10"	\$1,684.85
12"	\$2,066.84

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<u>Meter Size in inches</u>	<u>Service Charge Effective November 1, 2024</u>	<u>Service Charge Effective November 1, 2025</u>	<u>Service Charge Effective November 1, 2026</u>
<u>5/8 "</u>	<u>\$14.06</u>	<u>\$14.91</u>	<u>\$15.80</u>
<u>3/4 "</u>	<u>\$18.35</u>	<u>\$19.45</u>	<u>\$20.62</u>
<u>1 "</u>	<u>\$26.31</u>	<u>\$27.89</u>	<u>\$29.56</u>
<u>1-1/2 "</u>	<u>\$47.98</u>	<u>\$50.85</u>	<u>\$53.91</u>
<u>2 "</u>	<u>\$73.98</u>	<u>\$78.42</u>	<u>\$83.12</u>
<u>3 "</u>	<u>\$134.63</u>	<u>\$142.71</u>	<u>\$151.27</u>
<u>4 "</u>	<u>\$221.28</u>	<u>\$234.55</u>	<u>\$248.62</u>
<u>6 "</u>	<u>\$652.19</u>	<u>\$691.32</u>	<u>\$732.80</u>
<u>8 "</u>	<u>\$1,138.09</u>	<u>\$1,206.38</u>	<u>\$1,278.76</u>
<u>10 "</u>	<u>\$1,785.94</u>	<u>\$1,893.10</u>	<u>\$2,006.68</u>
<u>12 "</u>	<u>\$2,190.85</u>	<u>\$2,322.30</u>	<u>\$2,461.64</u>

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(b) Sewer rates for retail customers outside city limits.

All customers located outside the corporate limits of the city shall pay double the applicable rates charged to customers within the corporate limits of the city, unless a different rate is approved by the council pursuant to a contractual agreement.

(c) Consumption of sanitary sewer service for retail customers.

- (1) *Application of volume rate.* The volume rate established in (a)(1) above shall be applied to the ~~monthly~~ sanitary sewer service consumed by a customer.
- (2) *Winter average.* Except as provided in (c)(3) and (4) below, the ~~monthly~~ sanitary sewer service consumed by a customer shall be based upon either the actual ~~monthly billing period~~ consumption of water, or upon the average ~~monthly consumption of water during the months of December, January, and February of each fiscal year of three consecutive winter billing periods beginning with the customer's first billing period after November 1 of each calendar year,~~ whichever amount is less.
- (3) *Metering system.* In situations where a customer has installed, or intends to install, a metering system that will accurately meter the volume of wastewater introduced into the city's sanitary sewer system, the customer may make application to the city to have the customer's volume

1 rate be based on the customer's actual volume as measured by the metering system, in lieu of
2 the winter average in (c)(2) above.

3 (4) *No winter average.* In situations where the monthly winter average of water of water
4 consumption is not available, such as a new customer, or a customer that is not on the city's
5 water system, such customer shall be deemed to consume sanitary sewer services based on
6 the latest city-wide winter average consumption of water per living unit equivalent.

7 (d) *Discounts for age 65 and older.* Discounts for new customers age 65 and older have previously
8 been discontinued. However, those customers who were receiving the discount prior to June 10, 1993
9 are eligible to continue to receive the discount provided below, so long as they re-apply for said
10 discount before October 30 of each year. The discounted rate is as follows:

(1) Rate:	\$1.20 per 1,000 gallons of water used; and
(2) Monthly charge:	\$5.50 per month regardless of the amount of water used

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13 (e) *Rates for sewer service to wholesale customers.* The monthly volumetric charge for sewer service
14 to all wholesale customers, per 1,000 gallons of water used in accordance with each entity's respective
15 contractual obligation, is as follows:

16 Charge effective February 1, 2022\$3.56.

18 VI.

19 That Chapter 44, Article XI, Section 344 Code of Ordinances (2018 Edition), City
20 of Round Texas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 Sec. 44-344. - Levy of drainage utility charges.

22 (a) *Establishment and levy of drainage utility charges.* The city does hereby establish drainage utility
23 charges as set forth herein. Drainage utility charges shall be levied against all benefitted properties
24 within the utility service area unless exempt by statute and/or ordinance.

25 (b) *Fee calculation.*

26 (1) *Drainage utility charges calculation.* Drainage utility charges shall be calculated based on the
27 total stormwater runoff potential for benefitted properties for all customers within the utility service
28 area. The total stormwater runoff potential shall be measured as impervious areas in square feet
29 (SF).

30 (2) *Drainage utility charges.* The total stormwater runoff potential for the service area shall be
31 allocated between the customer classes based on the relative amount of impervious area in each
32 class established by ordinance.

33 a. *Residential property class.* Drainage utility charges for the residential property class of
34 customers shall be as follows:

- 35 1. A monthly, flat-rate fee per an equivalent residential unit (ERU); or
- 36 2. One flat-rate ERU fee per dwelling unit on a residential parcel.

1 3. The flat-rate fee is established in the fee schedule listed herein in subsection (b)(3)a. of this
2 section.

3 4. The monthly drainage utility charge is based on the average impervious area for an ERU, which
4 is 2,900 square feet.

5 b. *Nonresidential property class.* A monthly drainage utility charge for each improved nonresidential
6 property or allocated portion of an improved nonresidential property shall ~~equal the product of~~
7 ~~impervious area in square feet (SF) times the drainage utility charge established in the rate~~
8 ~~schedule listed herein in subsection (b)(3)b. of this section. be calculated by dividing the number~~
9 ~~of square feet of the impervious area by 2,900, and multiplying the result by the monthly drainage~~
10 ~~charge set forth in subsection b.(3) b.~~

11 **(3) Schedule of monthly ~~fees and rates~~ charge.** The monthly drainage utility charge shall be as follows:

12 a. *Residential units.* The monthly drainage utility charge for each residential dwelling unit or ERU
13 shall be as follows:

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<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Monthly Fee</u>
<u>March 1, 2014</u>	<u>\$4.75</u>

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<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Monthly FeeCharge</u>
<u>October November 1, 2024</u>	<u>\$6.75</u>

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17 b. *Nonresidential units.* The monthly drainage utility charge for the impervious area ~~measured~~
18 ~~in square feet on each nonresidential parcel per ERU~~ shall be as follows:

<u>Rate per ERU Effective</u> <u>November 1, 2024,</u>	<u>Rate per ERU Effective</u> <u>November 1, 2025,</u>	<u>Rate per ERU Effective</u> <u>November 1, 2026,</u>
<u>\$5.42</u>	<u>\$6.09</u>	<u>\$6.75</u>

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<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Rate (per ERU)</u>
<u>March 1, 2014</u>	<u>\$4.75</u>

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21 **(c) Applicability.** This section shall be applicable to any owner or user of a benefitted property, within
22 the utility service area, to which stormwater drainage service is provided either directly or indirectly.

23 **(d) Revision of rates.** The city council reserves the right to review the drainage utility charges at any
24 time and may, by ordinance, increase or decrease the drainage utility charges within the schedule
25 upon a determination that the increase or decrease is warranted.

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VII.

This ordinance shall be effective as of November 1, 2024.

VIII.

A. All ordinances, parts of ordinances, or resolutions in conflict herewith are expressly repealed.

B. The invalidity of any section or provision of this ordinance shall not invalidate other sections or provisions thereof.

C. The City Council hereby finds and declares that written notice of the date, hour, place and subject of the meeting at which this Ordinance was adopted was posted and that such meeting was open to the public as required by law at all times during which this Ordinance and the subject matter hereof were discussed, considered and formally acted upon, all as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended.

READ and **APPROVED** on first reading this the ____ day of _____, 2024.

READ, APPROVED and **ADOPTED** on second reading this the ____ day of _____, 2024.

CRAIG MORGAN, Mayor
City of Round Rock, Texas

ATTEST:

MEAGAN SPINKS, City Clerk