

# Exhibit A

## Water and Wastewater Rate Schedule Effective October 1, 2024 City of Princeton, TX

	Current	Effective 1-Oct 2024	Effective 1-Oct 2025	Effective 1-Oct 2026	Effective 1-Oct 2027	Effective 1-Oct 2028
<b>Water Rates</b>						
<b>Residential Inside</b>						
<b>Base charge</b>						
5/8" x 3/4", 3/4"	\$ 25.17	\$ 25.17	\$ 25.67	\$ 26.18	\$ 26.70	\$ 27.23
1"	35.00	35.00	35.94	36.65	37.38	38.12
1 1/2"	70.00	70.00	71.88	73.30	74.76	76.24
2"	90.00	90.00	102.68	104.72	106.80	108.92
3"	200.00	200.00	410.72	418.88	427.20	435.68
4"	375.00	375.00	616.08	628.32	640.80	653.52
6"	800.00	800.00	1,283.50	1,309.00	1,335.00	1,361.50
8"	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,848.24	1,884.96	1,922.40	1,960.56
<b>Usage Charge</b>						
<b>Per 1,000 Gallons</b>						
0-4,000 gallons	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.10	\$ 6.20	\$ 6.30	\$ 6.40
4,001-10,000 gallons	7.50	7.50	7.63	7.76	7.89	8.02
10,001-30,000 gallons	9.00	9.00	9.16	9.32	9.48	9.64
30,001+ gallons	10.50	10.50	10.69	10.88	11.07	11.26
<b>Residential Outside</b>						
<b>Base charge</b>						
5/8" x 3/4", 3/4"	\$ 37.75	\$ 37.75	\$ 38.51	\$ 39.27	\$ 40.05	\$ 40.85
1"	52.50	52.50	53.91	54.98	56.07	57.18
1 1/2"	105.00	105.00	107.82	109.95	112.14	114.36
2"	135.00	135.00	154.02	157.08	160.20	163.38
3"	300.00	300.00	616.08	628.32	640.80	653.52
4"	562.50	562.50	924.12	942.48	961.20	980.28
6"	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,925.25	1,963.50	2,002.50	2,042.25
8"	1,500.00	1,500.00	2,772.36	2,827.44	2,883.60	2,940.84
<b>Usage Charge</b>						
<b>Per 1,000 Gallons</b>						
0-4,000 gallons	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.15	\$ 9.30	\$ 9.45	\$ 9.60
4,001-10,000 gallons	11.25	11.25	11.45	11.64	11.84	12.03
10,001-30,000 gallons	13.50	13.50	13.74	13.98	14.22	14.46
30,001+ gallons	15.75	15.75	16.04	16.32	16.61	16.89
<b>Commercial Inside</b>						
<b>Base charge</b>						
5/8" x 3/4", 3/4"	\$ 25.17	\$ 25.17	\$ 25.67	\$ 26.18	\$ 26.70	\$ 27.23
1"	35.00	35.00	35.94	36.65	37.38	38.12

1 1/2"	70.00	70.00	71.88	73.30	74.76	76.24
2"	90.00	90.00	102.68	104.72	106.80	108.92
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8"	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,848.24	1,884.96	1,922.40	1,960.56

**Usage Charge  
Per 1,000 Gallons**

0-4,000 gallons	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.10	\$ 6.20	\$ 6.30	\$ 6.40
4,001-10,000 gallons	7.50	7.50	7.63	7.76	7.89	8.02
10,001-30,000 gallons	9.00	9.00	9.16	9.32	9.48	9.64
30,001+ gallons	10.50	10.50	10.69	10.88	11.07	11.26

**Commercial Outside  
Base charge**

5/8" x 3/4", 3/4"	\$ 37.75	\$ 37.75	\$ 38.51	\$ 39.27	\$ 40.05	\$ 40.85
1"	52.50	52.50	53.91	54.98	56.07	57.18
1 1/2"	105.00	105.00	107.82	109.95	112.14	114.36
2"	135.00	135.00	154.02	157.08	160.20	163.38
3"	300.00	300.00	616.08	628.32	640.80	653.52
4"	562.50	562.50	924.12	942.48	961.20	980.28
6"	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,925.25	1,963.50	2,002.50	2,042.25
8"	1,500.00	1,500.00	2,772.36	2,827.44	2,883.60	2,940.84

**Usage Charge  
Per 1,000 Gallons**

0-4,000 gallons	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.15	\$ 9.30	\$ 9.45	\$ 9.60
4,001-10,000 gallons	11.25	11.25	11.45	11.64	11.84	12.03
10,001-30,000 gallons	13.50	13.50	13.74	13.98	14.22	14.46
30,001+ gallons	15.75	15.75	16.04	16.32	16.61	16.89

**Water Rates**

**Sprinkler Inside  
Base charge**

5/8" x 3/4", 3/4"	\$ 25.17	\$ 25.17	\$ 25.67	\$ 26.18	\$ 26.70	\$ 27.23
1"	35.00	35.00	35.94	36.65	37.38	38.12
1 1/2"	70.00	70.00	71.88	73.30	74.76	76.24
2"	90.00	90.00	102.68	104.72	106.80	108.92
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**Usage Charge  
Per 1,000 Gallons**

0-4,000 gallons	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.10	\$ 6.20	\$ 6.30	\$ 6.40
4,001-10,000 gallons	7.50	7.50	7.63	7.76	7.89	8.02
10,001-30,000 gallons	9.00	9.00	9.16	9.32	9.48	9.64
30,001+ gallons	10.50	10.50	10.69	10.88	11.07	11.26

**Sprinkler Outside****Base charge**

5/8" x 3/4", 3/4"	\$	37.75	\$	37.75	\$	38.51	\$	39.27	\$	40.05	\$	40.85
1"		52.50		52.50		53.91		54.98		56.07		57.18
1 1/2"		105.00		105.00		107.82		109.95		112.14		114.36
2"		135.00		135.00		154.02		157.08		160.20		163.38
3"		300.00		300.00		616.08		628.32		640.80		653.52
4"		562.50		562.50		924.12		942.48		961.20		980.28
6"		1,200.00		1,200.00		1,925.25		1,963.50		2,002.50		2,042.25
8"		1,500.00		1,500.00		2,772.36		2,827.44		2,883.60		2,940.84

**Usage Charge****Per 1,000 Gallons**

0-4,000 gallons	\$	9.00	\$	9.00	\$	9.15	\$	9.30	\$	9.45	\$	9.60
4,001-10,000 gallons		11.25		11.25		11.45		11.64		11.84		12.03
10,001-30,000 gallons		13.50		13.50		13.74		13.98		14.22		14.46
30,001+ gallons		15.75		15.75		16.04		16.32		16.61		16.89

**Multi-Family (5 or more dwelling units)**

For multi-family units on master meters, the base charge assesment shall be the 3/4" base charge multiplied by the number of units (effective January 1, 2025) served plus the volume charge per thousand gallons or fraction thereof assessed at the first tier rate.

**Base charge**

5/8" x 3/4", 3/4"	\$	25.17	\$	25.17	\$	25.67	\$	26.18	\$	26.70	\$	27.23
1"		35.00		35.00		35.94		36.65		37.38		38.12
1 1/2"		70.00		70.00		71.88		73.30		74.76		76.24
2"		90.00		90.00		102.68		104.72		106.80		108.92
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4"		375.00		375.00		616.08		628.32		640.80		653.52
6"		800.00		800.00		1,283.50		1,309.00		1,335.00		1,361.50
8"		1,000.00		1,000.00		1,848.24		1,884.96		1,922.40		1,960.56

**Usage Charge****Per 1,000 Gallons**

0-4,000 gallons	\$	6.00	\$	6.00	\$	6.10	\$	6.20	\$	6.30	\$	6.40
4,001-10,000 gallons		7.50		7.50		7.63		7.76		7.89		8.02
10,001-30,000 gallons		9.00		9.00		9.16		9.32		9.48		9.64
30,001+ gallons		10.50		10.50		10.69		10.88		11.07		11.26

**Wastewater Rates****Residential Inside****Base charge**

5/8" x 3/4", 3/4"	\$	11.45	\$	13.00	\$	15.00	\$	17.00	\$	19.00	\$	21.00
1"		13.74		15.60		18.00		20.40		22.80		25.20
1 1/2"		16.64		18.89		21.80		24.71		27.62		30.53
2"		24.42		27.73		32.00		36.27		40.54		44.81
3"		78.16		88.74		102.39		116.04		129.69		143.34
4"		99.45		112.91		130.28		147.65		165.02		182.39

6"	149.14	169.33	195.38	221.43	247.48	273.53
8"	205.70	233.55	269.48	305.41	341.34	377.27

*Residential Wastewater is capped at 10,000 Gallons per month.*

<b>Usage Charge</b>	0 - 3,000 gallons	\$ 5.36	\$ 5.36	\$ 5.47	\$ 5.58	\$ 5.69	\$ 5.80
<b>Per 1,000 Gallons</b>	3,001 - 6,000 gallons	6.57	6.57	6.70	6.83	6.96	7.09
	6,001 - 9,000 gallons	7.79	7.79	7.94	8.09	8.24	8.39
	9,001 - 10,000 gallons	9.00	9.00	9.17	9.34	9.51	9.68

#### Residential Outside

<b>Base charge</b>	5/8" x 3/4", 3/4"	\$ 17.17	\$ 19.49	\$ 22.49	\$ 25.49	\$ 28.49	\$ 31.49
	1"	20.61	23.39	26.99	30.59	34.19	37.79
	1 1/2"	24.96	28.33	32.69	37.05	41.41	45.77
	2"	36.64	41.59	47.99	54.39	60.79	67.19
	3"	117.24	133.08	153.56	174.04	194.52	215.00
	4"	149.18	169.34	195.41	221.48	247.55	273.62
	6"	223.71	253.94	293.03	332.12	371.21	410.30
	8"	308.55	350.24	404.15	458.06	511.97	565.88

*Residential Wastewater is capped at 10,000 Gallons per month.*

<b>Usage Charge</b>	0 - 3,000 gallons	\$ 8.04	\$ 8.04	\$ 8.20	\$ 8.36	\$ 8.53	\$ 8.70
<b>Per 1,000 Gallons</b>	3,001 - 6,000 gallons	9.86	9.86	10.06	10.26	10.47	10.68
	6,001 - 9,000 gallons	11.68	11.68	11.92	12.16	12.41	12.66
	9,001 - 10,000 gallons	13.50	13.50	13.78	14.06	14.35	14.64

#### Commercial Inside

<b>Base charge</b>	5/8" x 3/4", 3/4"	\$ 11.45	\$ 13.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 17.00	\$ 19.00	\$ 21.00
	1"	13.74	15.60	18.00	20.40	22.80	25.20
	1 1/2"	16.64	18.89	21.80	24.71	27.62	30.53
	2"	24.42	27.73	32.00	36.27	40.54	44.81
	3"	78.16	88.74	102.39	116.04	129.69	143.34
	4"	99.45	112.91	130.28	147.65	165.02	182.39
	6"	149.14	169.33	195.38	221.43	247.48	273.53
	8"	205.70	233.55	269.48	305.41	341.34	377.27

<b>Usage Charge</b>	0 - 3,000 gallons	\$ 5.36	\$ 5.36	\$ 5.47	\$ 5.58	\$ 5.69	\$ 5.80
<b>Per 1,000 Gallons</b>	3,001 - 6,000 gallons	6.57	6.57	6.70	6.83	6.96	7.09
	6,001 - 9,000 gallons	7.79	7.79	7.94	8.09	8.24	8.39
	9,001+ gallons	9.00	9.00	9.17	9.34	9.51	9.68

#### Commercial Outside

<b>Base charge</b>	5/8" x 3/4", 3/4"	\$ 17.17	\$ 19.49	\$ 22.49	\$ 25.49	\$ 28.49	\$ 31.49
	1"	20.61	23.39	26.99	30.59	34.19	37.79
	1 1/2"	24.96	28.33	32.69	37.05	41.41	45.77
	2"	36.64	41.59	47.99	54.39	60.79	67.19
	3"	117.24	133.08	153.56	174.04	194.52	215.00
	4"	149.18	169.34	195.41	221.48	247.55	273.62
	6"	223.71	253.94	293.03	332.12	371.21	410.30
	8"	308.55	350.24	404.15	458.06	511.97	565.88

<b>Usage Charge Per 1,000 Gallons</b>	0 - 3,000 gallons	\$ 8.04	\$ 8.04	\$ 8.20	\$ 8.36	\$ 8.53	\$ 8.70
	3,001 - 6,000 gallons	9.86	9.86	10.06	10.26	10.47	10.68
	6,001 - 9,000 gallons	11.68	11.68	11.92	12.16	12.41	12.66
	9,001+ gallons	13.50	13.50	13.78	14.06	14.35	14.64

#### Wastewater Rates

##### Multi-Family

For Multi-family units on master meters, the 3/4" base rate per unit will be charged, with the first tier usage charge per thousand gallons for each thousand gallons of service or fraction thereof assessed for the total volume equivalent to water volumes recorded for the account. For Multi-Family accounts with one meter serving one unit, the rates shown in the table below shall be assessed.

<b>Base charge</b>	5/8" x 3/4", 3/4"	\$ 11.45	\$ 13.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 17.00	\$ 19.00	\$ 21.00
	1"	13.74	15.60	18.00	20.40	22.80	25.20
	1 1/2"	16.64	18.89	21.80	24.71	27.62	30.53
	2"	24.42	27.73	32.00	36.27	40.54	44.81
	3"	78.16	88.74	102.39	116.04	129.69	143.34
	4"	99.45	112.91	130.28	147.65	165.02	182.39
	6"	149.14	169.33	195.38	221.43	247.48	273.53
	8"	205.70	233.55	269.48	305.41	341.34	377.27

<b>Usage Charge Per 1,000 Gallons</b>	0 - 3,000 gallons	\$ 5.36	\$ 5.36	\$ 5.47	\$ 5.58	\$ 5.69	\$ 5.80
	3,001 - 6,000 gallons	6.57	6.57	6.70	6.83	6.96	7.09
	6,001 - 9,000 gallons	7.79	7.79	7.94	8.09	8.24	8.39
	9,001+ gallons	9.00	9.00	9.17	9.34	9.51	9.68

#### Non-Standard Wastewater Rates (aka Joint Accounts previously)

These are accounts outside Princeton's water CCN that do not receive water service from Princeton but do receive Princeton Wastewater service.

Non -Residential Non Standard accounts will continue to be assessed base & volume charges 50% more than Princeton Inside Commercial

<b>Base charge</b>	5/8" x 3/4", 3/4"	\$ 51.15	\$ 53.48	\$ 57.17	\$ 60.86	\$ 64.55	\$ 68.24
	1"	54.59	57.38	61.67	65.96	70.25	74.54
	1 1/2"	58.94	62.31	67.37	72.42	77.48	82.53
	2"	70.61	75.57	82.67	89.76	96.86	103.95
	3"	151.22	167.09	188.25	209.42	230.58	251.75
	4"	183.15	203.34	230.09	256.83	283.58	310.32

6"	257.69	287.97	327.74	367.50	407.27	447.03
8"	342.53	384.30	438.89	493.47	548.06	602.64

**Usage Charge  
Per 1,000 Gallons**

0 - 3,000 gallons	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
3,001 - 6,000 gallons	-	-	-	-	-	-
6,001 - 9,000 gallons	-	-	-	-	-	-
9,001+ gallons	-	-	-	-	-	-

**Sewer Only (for those Residential Princeton Wastewater accounts who do not receive Princeton water service)**

**Base charge**

3/4"	\$ 11.45	\$ 13.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 17.00	\$ 19.00	\$ 21.00
1"	13.74	15.60	18.00	20.40	22.80	25.20
1 1/2"	16.64	18.89	21.80	24.71	27.62	30.53
2"	24.42	27.73	32.00	36.27	40.54	44.81
3"	78.16	88.74	102.39	116.04	129.69	143.34
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**Usage Charge  
Per 1,000 Gallons**

0 - 3,000 gallons	\$ 5.36	\$ 5.36	\$ 5.47	\$ 5.58	\$ 5.69	\$ 5.80
3,001 - 6,000 gallons	6.57	6.57	6.70	6.83	6.97	7.11
6,001 - 9,000 gallons	7.79	7.79	7.95	8.11	8.27	8.44
9,001 - 10,000 gallons	9.00	9.00	9.18	9.36	9.55	9.74
10,001+ gallons	-	-	-	-	-	-

## CERTIFICATE FOR ORDINANCE

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COLLIN COUNTY  
CITY OF PRINCETON, TEXAS

We, the undersigned officers of the City Council of the City of Princeton, Texas (the "City Council" or "Council"), hereby certify as follows:

1. The City Council convened in a special meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024, at the designated meeting place (the "Meeting"), and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of said City Council, to wit:

Brianna Chacón, Mayor  
Marlo Obera, Place 2  
Ryan Gerfers, Place 4  
Ben Long, Place 6

David Kleiber, Place 1  
Bryan Washington, Place 3  
Steve Deffibaugh, Place 5 and Mayor Pro-Tempore  
Carolyn David-Graves, Place 7

and all of said persons were present except DAVID KLEIBER, thus constituting a quorum. Whereupon, among other business, the following was transacted at the Meeting (the "Ordinance");

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PRINCETON, TEXAS, AMENDING THE PRINCETON MUNICIPAL CODE, BY AMENDING "APPENDIX A," ENTITLED "FEE SCHEDULE," "SECTION 3," ENTITLED "RATE SCHEDULES," RELATIVE TO THE WATER, WASTEWATER, AND SEWER RATES CHARGED BY THE CITY TO ITS CUSTOMERS AND CHAPTER 78, ENTITLED "UTILITIES," ARTICLE III, ENTITLED "SEWAGE," DIVISION 1, ENTITLED "GENERALLY," SECTION 78-131, ENTITLED "SEWER RATES"; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, SAVINGS, REPEALING, AND PENALTY CLAUSES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND CONTAINING OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.**

The Ordinance was duly introduced for the consideration of said City Council. It was then duly moved and seconded that the Ordinance be passed; and, after due discussion, said motion, carrying with it the passage of the Ordinance, prevailed and carried, with all members of said City Council shown present above voting "Aye," except as noted below:

NAYS: 1 ABSTENTIONS: 0

2. That a true, full and correct copy of the aforesaid Ordinance adopted at the Meeting described in the above and foregoing paragraph is attached to and follows this Certificate; that said Ordinance has been duly recorded in said City Council's minutes of said Meeting; that the above and foregoing paragraph is a true, full and correct excerpt from said City Council's minutes of said Meeting pertaining to the adoption of said Ordinance; that the persons named in the above and foregoing paragraph are the duly chosen, qualified and acting officers and members of said City Council as indicated therein; that each of the officers and members of said City Council was duly and sufficiently notified officially and personally, in advance, of the time, place and purpose of the aforesaid Meeting, and that said Ordinance would be introduced and considered for adoption at said Meeting, and each of said officers and members consented, in advance, to the holding of said Meeting for such purpose, and that said Meeting was open to the public and public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government

3. The Mayor of said City has approved and hereby approves the aforesaid Ordinance; that the Mayor and the City Secretary of said City have duly signed said Ordinance; and that the Mayor and the City Secretary of said City hereby declare that their signing of this Certificate shall constitute the signing of the attached and following copy of said Ordinance for all purposes.


**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** on this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024.

**CITY OF PRINCETON, TEXAS**



Brianna Chacón, Mayor  
City of Princeton, Texas

**ATTEST**



Amber Anderson, City Secretary  
City of Princeton, Texas





**CITY OF PRINCETON, TEXAS**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-09-16-02**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PRINCETON, TEXAS, AMENDING THE PRINCETON MUNICIPAL CODE, BY AMENDING "APPENDIX A," ENTITLED "FEE SCHEDULE," "SECTION 3," ENTITLED "RATE SCHEDULES," RELATIVE TO THE WATER, WASTEWATER, AND SEWER RATES CHARGED BY THE CITY TO ITS CUSTOMERS AND CHAPTER 78, ENTITLED "UTILITIES," ARTICLE III, ENTITLED "SEWAGE," DIVISION 1, ENTITLED "GENERALLY," SECTION 78-131, ENTITLED "SEWER RATES"; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, SAVINGS, REPEALING, AND PENALTY CLAUSES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND CONTAINING OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Princeton, Texas, a home rule municipality (the "City"), is authorized under Texas law and the City's Home Rule Charter (the "Charter") to adopt and implement necessary and reasonable ordinances in the best interest of the City and its residents;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council recognizes the need for efficient use of current and future water and wastewater supplies;

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Chapter 78, Article II, Section 78-32 of the City's Code of Ordinances, the City Council shall approve and establish by ordinance the monthly rates and charges for service furnished by the City's waterworks system;

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Chapter 78, Article III, Section 78-131 of the City's Code of Ordinances, the City Council shall approve and establish by ordinance the monthly rates and charges for sewer service furnished by the City's sanitary sewer system;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has previously adopted, via ordinance, a rate schedule, which rate schedule (i) is codified in Appendix A, Section 3 of the City's Code of Ordinances; and (ii) sets forth monthly rates and charges for certain utility services provided by the City;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds and determines that from time to time it is necessary to review and amend its rate schedule;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds and determines that the current rates and charges in Appendix A, Section 3 of the City's Code of Ordinances are insufficient to cover the costs of the utility services provided by the City;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to (i) amend Appendix A, Section 3 of the City's Code of Ordinances, as provided in Section 2 herein below; and (ii) adopt rates and charges necessary for the City to provide good and efficient government for the benefit of the City and its residents;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council previously amended Chapter 78, Article III, Division 1, Section 78-131 of the City's Code of Ordinances, via Ordinance No. 2023-04-24, to which the City Council hereby desires to amend and revise in accordance with Section 5 of this Ordinance;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council hereby finds and determines that the new rates adopted by this Ordinance are (i) just, reasonable, and in the best interest; and (ii) in furtherance of the health, safety, and general welfare of the City and its residents;

**WHEREAS**, the City Council officially finds and determines that the meeting at which this Ordinance was adopted was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is authorized by law to adopt the provisions contained herein, and has complied with all the prerequisites necessary for the passage of this Ordinance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PRINCETON, TEXAS:**

**Section 1.**     ***Findings.*** The above findings are hereby found to be true and correct and adopted as findings of fact, incorporated herein, and operative provisions hereof.

**Section 2.**     ***Rate Schedules Amended.*** Appendix A, entitled "Fee Schedule," Section 3, entitled "Rate Schedules," of the City's Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as set forth in the attached **EXHIBIT A**, which Exhibit A is made a part hereof for all intents and purposes. Any rate or charge not expressly updated in the attached Exhibit A shall remain in full force and effect, as part of the City's Fee Schedule, following the Effective Date of this Ordinance. The revised rates and charges set forth in Exhibit A of this Ordinance shall become applicable and effective on the dates set forth within Exhibit A.

**Section 3.**     ***Penalty.*** Any person, firm, entity, or corporation violating the terms and provisions of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$500.00, or the maximum amount permitted under applicable law, whichever is greater, and each and every day this Ordinance is violated shall constitute a separate offense.

**Section 4.**     ***Publication; Notice.*** The City Council hereby directs the City Secretary or designee to publish the caption of this Ordinance at least once in the official newspaper of the City. Within sixty (60) days after the Effective Date of this Ordinance, the City Secretary or designee is hereby directed to provide written notice to each ratepayer who resides outside the City's corporate limits of the new rates. The notice shall include, at a minimum, the effective date of the new rates, the new rates, and the location where additional information on rates can be obtained. Notice may be provided electronically if the City has access to a ratepayer's email address or via any other lawful method.

**Section 5.**     ***Section 78-131 of Code Amended.*** This Ordinance amends Chapter 78, "Utilities," Article III, "Sewage," Division 1, "Generally," Section 78-131, "Sewer Rates," of the City's Code of Ordinances to hereafter read as follows—new language is depicted by bolded and

underlined text (example) and deleted language is depicted by bolded and strikethrough text (~~example~~):

## CHAPTER 78 – UTILITIES

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### ARTICLE III. – SEWAGE

#### DIVISION 1. – GENERALLY

[ ... ]

##### Sec. 78-131. – Sewer Rates.

The monthly rates or charges for services furnished by the sanitary sewer system of the city inside the city limits shall be the current rates approved by the city council and as established by ordinance. Rates for sewer service outside the city limits shall be one and one-half times those that are currently in effect inside the city limits.

- (a) Wastewater usage shall be determined as detailed in this subsection and shall be paid for in accordance with the applicable rates established in appendix A of the Princeton Municipal Code.
- (b) All unauthorized sanitary sewer connections shall constitute theft of service and shall be subject to criminal penalties of up to \$500.00 per day per violation.
- (c) Wastewater will be charged based on the applicable volume of drinking water used and metered, per Exhibit A ("fee schedule"), unless otherwise provided herein. Where more than one customer is connected to one or more meters, the minimum rate will be charged for each customer connected thereto. Customers who receive only wastewater service from the city shall be charged for sewer service based on the flat set rate in the current fee schedule.
- (d) As it is generally not practical to meter sewage flows from individual service locations, particularly with respect to residential properties, the following provisions apply to billing sewage volume.
  - (1) Dedicated fire line, irrigation service, and portable meters customers do not have corresponding sewer use and accordingly will not be charged for sewer treatment based on flows through those meters.
  - (2) ~~For residential accounts which receive both water and wastewater services from the city, sewer use is calculated using the average water consumption for meter readings taken in the months of December, January, and February as the estimated sewer volume per month (winter average approach).~~
  - (3) ~~New residential service will be deemed to use the city-wide winter average consumption until an individual winter quarter average can be established for the account.~~
  - (4) (2) Commercial and industrial customer sewer use will be deemed the same as their volume of drinking water portion of water consumption is not flowing into the sanitary sewer system and agrees to install a deduct water.

(Ord. No. 242, § 2(2.02), 1-22-1985; Ord. No. 2019-08-12-02, § 2, 8-12-2019; Ord. No. 2023-04-24, § 2, 4-24-2023; Ord. No. 2024-09-16-02, § 5, 9-16-2024)

**Section 6.**     ***Severability.*** Should any section, provision, or part of this Ordinance be held unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, or the application to any person or circumstance thereof ineffective or inapplicable, such unconstitutionality, illegality, invalidity, or ineffectiveness of such section, provision, or part shall in no way affect, impair, or invalidate the remaining portion or portions thereof; but as to such remaining portion or portions, the same shall be and remain in full force and effect and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

**Section 7.**     ***Savings / Repealing.*** All provisions of any ordinance in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent they are in conflict. Any remaining portions of said ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 8.**     ***Prerequisites Satisfied.*** All prerequisites for the adoption of this Ordinance have been duly satisfied, conducted, and completed, including, without limitation, all public notices, procedures, and publications as required by law, including, without limitation, the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

**Section 9.**     ***Effective Date.*** This Ordinance shall be and remain in full force and effect from and after its passage (the "*Effective Date*").

**AND SO IT IS ORDAINED.**

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