



RESOLUTION 25-007

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING WATER RATES

WHEREAS, the City of Fountain provides potable water service to its citizens through the City's water utility enterprise; and

WHEREAS, the City's water utility enterprise operates as a not-for-profit business which must generate enough revenue, primarily from water sales, to cover the costs of owning, operating and maintaining the water system; and

WHEREAS, Fountain's City Council approved a Water Fund Stabilization Plan by Resolution 24-006 which directed staff to perform a cost of service and rate design study to determine if current rates are adequate to meet utility revenue needs and develop proposed new water rates if not; and

WHEREAS, the water utility completed the Water Cost of Service and Rate Design Study (updated November 17, 2024), which recommends a 5-year plan of increasing water rates from 2025 through 2029 in order to generate enough revenue to meet the projected revenue requirements and established financial goals and to place the water utility on a financially sustainable trajectory; and

WHEREAS, the results of the Water Cost of Service and Rate Design Study were presented and discussed with the public at the January 23 and February 11, 2025, regular City Council meetings; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the information presented by Utilities staff and the input provided by the public and desires to implement the first two (2) years of rate increases recommended by the Water Cost of Service and Rate Design Study.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Fountain, Colorado, as follows:

Section 1. For the period beginning March 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025, each water customer shall pay a monthly bill for water service, based on the size of their water meter, comprised of a fixed customer charge and a volumetric usage charge according to the rate schedule below for water supplied by the City to properties located within the corporate limits of the City of Fountain:

Residential - 3/4" Meter

Customer Charge	\$	35.20	Per Month
Up to 1,500	\$	6.50	Per 1,000 Gallons
1,501-3,000	\$	7.22	Per 1,000 Gallons
3,001-6,000	\$	7.48	Per 1,000 Gallons
6,001-10,000	\$	9.13	Per 1,000 Gallons
10,001-15,000	\$	10.08	Per 1,000 Gallons
15,001-21,000	\$	11.46	Per 1,000 Gallons
over 21,000	\$	12.72	Per 1,000 Gallons

Commercial - 3/4" Meter

Customer Charge	\$	35.20	Per Month
Up to 3,000	\$	7.22	Per 1,000 Gallons
3,001-6,000	\$	7.48	Per 1,000 Gallons
6,001-10,000	\$	9.13	Per 1,000 Gallons
10,001-15,000	\$	10.08	Per 1,000 Gallons
15,001-21,000	\$	11.46	Per 1,000 Gallons
over 21,000	\$	12.72	Per 1,000 Gallons

1" Meter

Customer Charge	\$	79.00	Per Month
Up to 6,000	\$	7.48	Per 1,000 Gallons
6,001-12,000	\$	9.13	Per 1,000 Gallons
12,001-20,000	\$	10.64	Per 1,000 Gallons
20,001-30,000	\$	11.73	Per 1,000 Gallons
30,001-42,000	\$	13.40	Per 1,000 Gallons
over 42,000	\$	14.74	Per 1,000 Gallons

1 1/2" Meter

Customer Charge	\$	183.50	Per Month
Up to 13,500	\$	7.48	Per 1,000 Gallons
13,501-27,000	\$	9.13	Per 1,000 Gallons
27,001-45,000	\$	10.64	Per 1,000 Gallons
45,001-67,500	\$	11.73	Per 1,000 Gallons
67,501-94,500	\$	13.40	Per 1,000 Gallons
Over 94,500	\$	14.74	Per 1,000 Gallons

2" Meter

Customer Charge	\$	350.10	Per Month
Up to 24,000	\$	7.48	Per 1,000 Gallons
24,001-48,000	\$	9.13	Per 1,000 Gallons
48,001-80,000	\$	10.64	Per 1,000 Gallons
80,001-120,000	\$	11.73	Per 1,000 Gallons
120,001-168,000	\$	13.40	Per 1,000 Gallons
Over 168,000	\$	14.74	Per 1,000 Gallons

3" Meter

Customer Charge	\$ 745.70	Per Month
Up to 52,500	\$ 7.48	Per 1,000 Gallons
52,501-105,000	\$ 9.13	Per 1,000 Gallons
105,001-175,000	\$ 10.64	Per 1,000 Gallons
175,001-262,500	\$ 11.73	Per 1,000 Gallons
262,501-367,500	\$ 13.40	Per 1,000 Gallons
Over 367,500	\$ 14.74	Per 1,000 Gallons

4" Meter

Customer Charge	\$ 1,159.60	Per Month
Up to 90,000	\$ 7.48	Per 1,000 Gallons
90,001-180,000	\$ 9.13	Per 1,000 Gallons
180,001-300,000	\$ 10.64	Per 1,000 Gallons
300,001-450,000	\$ 11.73	Per 1,000 Gallons
450,001-630,000	\$ 13.40	Per 1,000 Gallons
Over 630,000	\$ 14.74	Per 1,000 Gallons

Section 2. Beginning January 1, 2026, each water customer shall pay a monthly bill for water service, based on the size of their water meter, comprised of a fixed customer charge and a volumetric usage charge according to the rate schedule below for water supplied by the City to properties located within the corporate limits of the City of Fountain:

Residential - 3/4" Meter

Customer Charge	\$ 38.40	Per Month
Up to 1,500	\$ 7.09	Per 1,000 Gallons
1,501-3,000	\$ 7.87	Per 1,000 Gallons
3,001-6,000	\$ 8.15	Per 1,000 Gallons
6,001-10,000	\$ 9.96	Per 1,000 Gallons
10,001-15,000	\$ 10.99	Per 1,000 Gallons
15,001-21,000	\$ 12.49	Per 1,000 Gallons
over 21,000	\$ 13.87	Per 1,000 Gallons

Commercial - 3/4" Meter

Customer Charge	\$ 38.40	Per Month
Up to 3,000	\$ 7.87	Per 1,000 Gallons
3,001-6,000	\$ 8.15	Per 1,000 Gallons
6,001-10,000	\$ 9.96	Per 1,000 Gallons
10,001-15,000	\$ 10.99	Per 1,000 Gallons
15,001-21,000	\$ 12.49	Per 1,000 Gallons
over 21,000	\$ 13.87	Per 1,000 Gallons

1" Meter

Customer Charge	\$ 86.10	Per Month
Up to 6,000	\$ 8.15	Per 1,000 Gallons
6,001-12,000	\$ 9.96	Per 1,000 Gallons
12,001-20,000	\$ 11.60	Per 1,000 Gallons
20,001-30,000	\$ 12.78	Per 1,000 Gallons
30,001-42,000	\$ 14.60	Per 1,000 Gallons
over 42,000	\$ 16.06	Per 1,000 Gallons

1 1/2" Meter

Customer Charge	\$ 200.00	Per Month
Up to 13,500	\$ 8.15	Per 1,000 Gallons
13,501-27,000	\$ 9.96	Per 1,000 Gallons
27,001-45,000	\$ 11.60	Per 1,000 Gallons
45,001-67,500	\$ 12.78	Per 1,000 Gallons
67,501-94,500	\$ 14.60	Per 1,000 Gallons
Over 94,500	\$ 16.06	Per 1,000 Gallons

2" Meter

Customer Charge	\$ 381.60	Per Month
Up to 24,000	\$ 8.15	Per 1,000 Gallons
24,001-48,000	\$ 9.96	Per 1,000 Gallons
48,001-80,000	\$ 11.60	Per 1,000 Gallons
80,001-120,000	\$ 12.78	Per 1,000 Gallons
120,001-168,000	\$ 14.60	Per 1,000 Gallons
Over 168,000	\$ 16.06	Per 1,000 Gallons

3" Meter

Customer Charge	\$ 812.80	Per Month
Up to 52,500	\$ 8.15	Per 1,000 Gallons
52,501-105,000	\$ 9.96	Per 1,000 Gallons
105,001-175,000	\$ 11.60	Per 1,000 Gallons
175,001-262,500	\$ 12.78	Per 1,000 Gallons
262,501-367,500	\$ 14.60	Per 1,000 Gallons
Over 367,500	\$ 16.06	Per 1,000 Gallons


4" Meter


Customer Charge	\$ 1,264.00	Per Month
Up to 90,000	\$ 8.15	Per 1,000 Gallons
90,001-180,000	\$ 9.96	Per 1,000 Gallons
180,001-300,000	\$ 11.60	Per 1,000 Gallons
300,001-450,000	\$ 12.78	Per 1,000 Gallons
450,001-630,000	\$ 14.60	Per 1,000 Gallons
Over 630,000	\$ 16.06	Per 1,000 Gallons

Section 3. For any meter size larger than 4” the water rates shall be established by contract between the user and the City of Fountain.

Section 4. Customers whose properties are located in whole or in part outside the corporate limits of the City of Fountain and receive City water service, shall pay twice the established customer charge and volumetric usage rates based on their meter size.

Done this 25th day of February 2025.


Sharon Thompson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joney Carneal, City Clerk

