

City of Milton-Freewater

RESOLUTION NO. 2602

A RESOLUTION AMENDING WATER RATES AND CHARGES

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Milton-Freewater is given the authority to fix the schedule for rates and charges and implement additional services and fees for the water utility by resolution at its discretion; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to defray the cost and expenses of this public service,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this resolution repeals any previous resolutions and the City Council finds the rates and charges for water services be established as follows in accordance with Municipal Code 5-5-5.

RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, GOVERNMENT & INDUSTRIAL WATER RATES & CHARGES

SECTION 1	Metered Units ¹	Rate
RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL (i.e. Assisted Living Facilities & Motels):		
Minimum Monthly Charge:	0-5,000 gallons/month per unit	\$36.03 flat monthly rate
Additional Usage Rates	5,001-100,000 gallons/month per unit	\$ 2.63 per 1,000 gallons used
Additional Usage Rates:	100,001 + gallons/month per unit	\$2.89 per 1,000 gallons used
GOVERNMENT & INDUSTRIAL:		
Minimum Monthly Charge:	0-5,000 gallons/month per unit	\$36.03 flat monthly rate
Additional Usage Rates	5,001-100,000 gallons/month per unit	\$2.63 per 1,000 gallons used
Additional Usage Rates:	100,001 + gallons/month per unit	\$1.85 per 1,000 gallons used
OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS CUSTOMERS:		
Outside City Customers:	2 times the base rate, plus additional usage rates, as applicable.	

¹ Definition: **Unit** - Each living space and/or each commercial space. Examples: 1) An apartment complex with 8 apartments is 8 units, 2) A commercial building with a commercial business in front and a living space in the back is 2 units, 3) A trailer park with 12 spaces is 12 units.

ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES, INDUSTRIAL & MOTELS WATER RATES/CHARGES

SECTION 2	
Meter Size	Minimum Charge ²
1 ½"	\$248.44
2"	\$362.78
3"	\$482.81
4"	\$951.69
6"	\$1,306.15
8"	\$1,705.20
10"	\$2,070.96

²No minimum meter charge shall be applied when the charge for water usage in Section 1 exceeds the minimum charge in Section 2. ³Bulk water purchases for non-city or outside city limits customers will be 2 times the rate.

⁴Estimate fees will be applied to the final cost of the service upon completion of work. Estimates for new services not constructed will be non-refundable. Estimates and fees are valid for 90 days from the date of the estimate. Estimate fees are stated as originally added pricing without any increases

ADDITIONAL SERVICES/FEES:

SECTION 3	Rate
Utility Infrastructure Improvement Surcharge — set forth by Resolution No. 2457, effective 7/1/21	\$3.50 per account/meter/ unit, per month — no change
Inaccessible Meter Re-read Fee	\$118.13
Water Turn Off/On After Hours (No charge during business hours)	Actual Cost of Labor or \$113.40 minimum
Hydrant Meter Rental	
Meter Use Deposit	\$264.60
Monthly Minimum Charge	Meter Size — Section 2 (3")
Usage - Bulk Water Purchase ³	\$8.53 per 1,000 gallons
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Meter Test	\$53.55.00 each
Special Water Testing	\$59.85 each
Irrigation System Inspection Fee	\$119.55 each
Water Service Estimate Fee — 1" or smaller Fee is per each service, per estimate ⁴ — no change	\$100.00
Water Service Estimate Fee — 1-1/2" and larger Fee is per each service, per estimate ⁴ — no change	\$200.00
Water Service Estimate Fee — Outside City Limits	2 times rates above ⁴

The effective date of this Resolution shall be July 1, 2026.

PASSED by the Common Council and **APPROVED** by the Mayor this 8th day of June 2026.

Mike Odman, Mayor