



CITY OF HARRISBURG WATER & SEWER RATE CHANGES



Join us for the Public Open House on August 9th from 5:30 - 8:00 pm at the Liberty Elementary Lunch Room.

WHAT HAS CHANGED? Why?

In August of that year, the City formed a task force consisting of residents and business owners to discuss the concerns and provide recommendations to the City Council. *These changes reflect the committee recommendations.*



INCREASE: NEED FOR SEWER IMPROVEMENTS

The City has long outgrown the capacity of our sewer lagoons.

We have been temporarily pumping excess sewage to the City of Sioux Falls since 2009. A long-term wastewater treatment solution is needed to protect our own health as well as our watersheds.

The City has considered several different alternatives including a long-term agreement with the City of Sioux Falls, building our own treatment facility, as well as constructing our own regional facility to treat wastewater from surrounding communities. Each alternative requires significant infrastructure improvements as well as ongoing costs to operate. **The City reviews revenues and expenses annually and has determined a rate increase is necessary to move forward with our wastewater treatment improvements.**



WATER: TIERED RATE STRUCTURE

For single family homeowners, a tiered water rate structure has been adopted. This includes increasing block rates for additional water use.

These changes will primarily effect customers who irrigate their lawns and use water for recreational purposes. This change was adopted in part to encourage water conservation.



SEWER: WINTER USAGE

Previously, single family homeowners were billed for sewer based on their monthly water use. But, not all water goes down the sewer. A general concern of the task force was that this method of billing was an unfair practice, because households were billed for water that did not enter the sewer.

A winter use approach has been adopted because most water used during the winter goes down the sewer system. **Homeowners will have their water usage averaged during the winter months and sewer will be billed each month based on that average use.**

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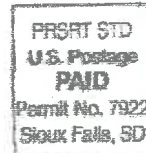
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RESIDENTIAL WATER & SEWER RATES

Current

New

% Change

	Water ¹	Sewer	Total
0	11.64	20.96	32.60
1,000	17.40	30.04	47.44
2,000	23.16	39.12	62.28
3,000	28.92	48.20	77.12
4,000	34.68	57.28	91.96
5,000	40.44	66.36	106.80
6,000	46.20	75.44	121.64
7,000	51.96	84.52	136.48
8,000	57.72	93.60	151.32
9,000	63.48	102.68	166.16
10,000	69.24	111.76	181.00
25,000	155.64	247.96	403.60
50,000	299.64	474.96	774.60

	Water ¹	Sewer	Total
0	11.64	31.32	42.96
1,000	14.79	44.99	59.78
2,000	17.94	58.66	76.60
3,000	21.09	72.33	93.42
4,000	27.48	86.00	113.48
5,000	33.87	99.67	133.54
6,000	40.26	113.34	153.60
7,000	54.92	127.01	181.93
8,000	69.58	140.68	210.26
9,000	84.24	154.35	238.59
10,000	112.08	168.02	280.10
25,000	529.68	373.07	902.75
50,000	1225.68	714.82	1940.50

	Water	Sewer	Total
0	0%	49%	32%
1,000	-15%	50%	26%
2,000	-23%	50%	23%
3,000	-27%	50%	21%
4,000	-21%	50%	23%
5,000	-16%	50%	25%
6,000	-13%	50%	26%
7,000	6%	50%	33%
8,000	21%	50%	39%
9,000	33%	50%	44%
10,000	62%	50%	55%
25,000	240%	50%	124%
50,000	309%	51%	151%

WATER USE DISTRIBUTION PER MONTH

0 - 2,000 GAL. - 34%

2,000 - 4,000 GAL. - 39%

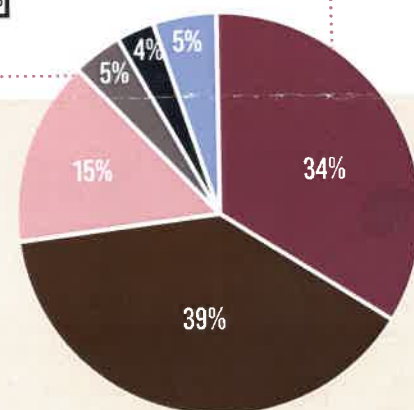
4,000 - 6,000 GAL. - 15%

6,000 - 8,000 GAL. - 4%

8,000 - 10,000 GAL. - 3%

10,000+ GAL. - 5%

¹Water rates shown assume a typical 5/8" residential meter.



WHEN WAS THIS DISCUSSED AND DECIDED?

2016

April 1

2017

January 1

August 3

August 21

Sept. - Nov.

2018

January 16

February 5

February 20

March 19

March 27

April 13

April 16

May 21

June 4

June 18

July 16

City Council adopted first of three rate increases for wastewater improvements.

City Council adopted second of three rate increases for wastewater improvements.

City hosted a Water and Sewer Meeting with general public.

City Council appointed Water and Sewer Rate Structure Task Force Committee.

Several Task Force meetings were held to propose changes.

Task Force presented recommendations to City Council.

City of Sioux Falls presented a regional wastewater update to City Council.

City staff and Stockwell Engineers provided update to City Council in implementing task force recommendations.

The City Engineer presented an update of wastewater treatment alternatives.

Special council meeting to discuss wastewater treatment alternatives.

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City Council authorizes to pursue land and easements for a Wastewater Treatment Facility.

City Council considers resolution to amend water and sewer rates.

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City adopts resolution to apply for funding through the DENR SRF program to build a wastewater treatment facility.

City adopts third of three rate increases for wastewater improvements.