

ORDINANCE NO. __

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 17-47 OF THE GILLETTE CITY
CODE TO REVISE RATES FOR WATER FURNISHED BY THE CITY OF
GILLETTE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF
GILLETTE, WYOMING:

SECTION ONE. Section 17-47 of the Gillette City Code are amended to read as follows:

§17-47. Rates for water measured by meter.

A. Gillette Regional Water Supply System, Wholesale/Transmission and Distribution Rates

1. The Gillette Municipal water system, also known as the Gillette Regional Water Supply System is made up of two parts, the Wholesale Transmission System and the Gillette Distribution System

2. The Wholesale Transmission System includes all components of the facilities utilized in the production, treatment, storage and transmission of water to all organizations which operate water distribution systems (Wholesale Customers), as well as all individual customers, who receive water from the Gillette Regional Water Supply System, pursuant to the Gillette Regional Water Supply System Joint Powers Agreement, approved by the Wyoming Attorney General January 4, 2011 (the JPA). The City of Gillette is a Wholesale Customer of the Gillette Regional Water Supply System through the Gillette Distribution System.

3. The Gillette Distribution System shall include the network of pipes and/or conduits used for the delivery of water from the Transmission System to consumers in the city limits.

4. The consumer's system shall include those parts of the facilities beyond the termination of the Gillette Distribution System or the Wholesale Transmission System which are utilized in conveying potable water to points of use.

5. Wholesale Customers shall pay for water delivered from the Wholesale Transmission System at the Wholesale Water Rate for the level of service they have chosen and individual customers of the Gillette Distribution System shall pay the Year-Round Wholesale Water Rate and a Distribution Rate appropriate for their level of service according to the terms of this section.

6. The city council shall have the right conclusively to determine, define and classify all residences, businesses and other properties, and to increase, modify or revise by ordinance the rates and charges as herein established. Service will be rendered under the city's rules and regulations.

B. There shall be monthly Distribution Rates for water furnished through the Distribution System as follows:

(1) Residential. This rate applies to all residential users with less than 1-1/2" water meter. Residential users with water meters that are larger than 1 1/2" are billed at the Large Residential Rate. This rate is composed of a Fixed Charge plus an amount based on consumption of additional water, known as the Usage Charge.

Water Consumption shall be billed according to the Water Conservation rate which is a tiered rate structure used to encourage water conservation. These tiers represent an increasing rate structure in that the price of water increases as more water is used. This rate is intended to:

- Promote water conservation and the efficient use of water
- Support community goals
- Reflect the value of water
- Promote conservation as a form of source capacity
- Efficiency is a strategy to meet long term needs
- Assure adequate capacity to meet domestic and firefighting needs
- Send a price signal to customers who waste water

RATE TIER	CONSUMPTION PER MONTH
TIER (1)	TO 35,000 Gallons

TIER (2)	36,000 TO 50,000 Gallons
TIER (3)	OVER 50,000 Gallons

(Ord. 3485, 5-7-2007; Ord. 3626, 5-18-2009)

(2) Commercial. This rate applied to all users other than residential. This rate is composed of a Fixed Charge plus an amount based on consumption of water, known as the Usage Charge.

A. Small Meter Commercial Rate for commercial users with less than 1 ½” water meter

B. Large Meter Commercial Rate for commercial users with 1 ½” or larger water meter.

(Ord. 1679, 4-4-88; Ord. 3429, 6-19-2006; Ord. 3626, 5-18-2009)

(3) Bulk Water. This rate applies to customers obtaining water other than at the standard residential, or commercial rates, through specific contracts to allow for use and delivery methods not contemplated by the other rate categories. Bulk water may be delivered through a City of Gillette owned and operated bulk water fill station or other bulk water fill stations specifically permitted and approved by the City of Gillette

To qualify for this rate, the customer shall enter into a specific “Bulk Water” rate agreement describing the conditions and the terms of the service and place a suitable deposit prior to taking the water. The deposit for all bulk water accounts, shall be \$150.00. The use of bulk water may be limited by other requirements of the Water Division.

This rate is composed of a Maintenance Charge plus an amount based on consumption of additional water, known as the Usage Charge. A monthly Maintenance Charge– shall be assessed to all bulk water accounts. There will be a rate per 1000 gallons

for all usage up to a total usage of 5,000 gallons per billing cycle. The rate for usage above 5,000 gallons shall be higher.

C. Wholesale Water Rates. This rate applies to all organizations which operate water distribution systems (Wholesale Customers), as well as all individual customers, who receive water from the Gillette Regional Water Supply System, pursuant to the Gillette Regional Water Supply System Joint Powers Agreement, approved by the Wyoming Attorney General January 4, 2011 (the JPA). The Wholesale Water Rates pay the operation and maintenance costs of pumping water, treatment and transporting water to the distribution systems which furnish that water to individual connections. Wholesale Customers distribute water through their own distribution system to their individual customers. Wholesale Customers may establish rates to cover the costs of their own distribution systems. The City of Gillette is a Wholesale Customer of the Gillette Regional Water Supply System. Wholesale Customers shall be billed at the rate they select. Individual customers of the City of Gillette distribution system shall pay the rate listed in §17-47 (B) (1) or (2) of the Gillette City Code, in addition to the rate in §17-47 (C) (1) Gillette City Code, that applies to their service. (Ord. 3429, 6-19-2006; Ord. 3847, 11-18-2014)

(1.) Year-Round Rate. This rate applies to wholesale customers who are constantly connected to the City's water supply and take water throughout the year. The rate is the sum of two parts, a monthly Fixed Charge and a Usage charge.

(2.) Intermittent Rate. This rate applies to wholesale customers who are not constantly connected to the water supply. The rate is the sum of two parts, a fixed monthly Maintenance Charge for the water system and a Usage charge.

(Ord. 3429, 6-19-2006 Ord. 3847, 11-18-2014)

D. Water Rate Charges.

Rate		Fixed Charge	Usage Charge per 1000 gallons	Consumption Gallons/month G/M
Residential	Small	\$ 0	\$.94	TO 35,000 G/M
			\$1.42	36,000 - 50,000 G/M
			\$2.08	OVER 50,000 G/M
	Large	\$83.06	\$.94	TO 35,000 G/M
			\$1.42	36,000 - 50,000 G/M
			\$2.08	OVER 50,000 G/M
Commercial.	Small	\$ 0	\$.94	
	Large	\$83.06	\$.94	
Bulk Water		\$6.50	\$3.01	
Transmission	Year round	\$6.50	\$3.01	
	Intermittent	\$5.00	\$6.03	

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2016.

Louise Carter-King, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Karlene Abelseth, City Clerk

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