

On motion of Mr. Templet, seconded by Mr. Walker, the following ordinance was offered:

SUMMARY NO. 25750 ORDINANCE NO. 26281

An ordinance amending Chapter 27 Water, Sewerage, and Drainage, Article V Water, Division 2 Waterworks Districts, Section 27-196 Consolidated Waterworks District No. 1, and to provide for related matters. (Parishwide)

THE JEFFERSON PARISH COUNCIL HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1: That Section 27-196 of the Code of Ordinances, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 27-196. – Consolidated Waterworks District No. 42.

- (a) *Consumption charges and service charges.* There is hereby established a water consumption charge and a water service charge for the use of water and other services delivered and rendered by Consolidated Waterworks District No. 42 of the Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana for all residences, apartment houses, multiple-family dwelling units, mobile homes, public, parochial and private schools, academies and other such training institutions, all churches, synagogues, temples and other places of worship, and all orphanages, and other not-for-profit, residential institutions. Base charges for water consumption and water service are dependent on the quantity of water used in gallons and the size of the water meter, respectively. Base charges for residential customers are billed in two (2) month cycles and includes water consumption totaling up to six thousand (6,000) gallons per billing cycle. Base charges for commercial customers are billed monthly and includes water consumption totaling up to three thousand (3,000) gallons per billing cycle. Base charges will be adjusted annually beginning March 1, 2000 and thereafter every January 1st based on the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index. The annual adjustment to these charges will equal a U.S. City Average 12 month percentage change in the All Urban Consumers—All Items Index (CPI-U) as compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The actual rates for water consumption and water service in effect for any given year will be published in the Official Journal of Jefferson Parish and in the Progressive Jefferson, the publication ordinarily accompanying the water bills, and shall be subject to the following requirements:

1. Beginning on January 1, 2022 and annually thereafter until January 1, 2031, inclusive, the base charges in effect as of December 31st of the preceding year shall be increased by \$1.88 per bi-monthly billing cycle for residential customers and \$0.94 per monthly billing cycle for commercial customers. Additionally, the rate per 1,000 gallons consumed in excess of the amount included in the base charges shall be increased by \$0.66.
2. Beginning on January 1, 2032 and annually thereafter until January 1, 2041, inclusive, the base charges in effect as of December 31st of the preceding year shall be increased by \$0.62 per bi-monthly billing cycle for residential customers and \$0.31 per monthly billing cycle for commercial customers. Additionally, the rate per 1,000 gallons consumed in excess of the amount included in the base charges shall be increased by \$0.22.
3. Consumption charges and service charges will be adjusted annually every January 1st based on the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index. The annual adjustment to these charges will equal a U.S. City Average 12 month percentage change in the All Urban Consumers—All Items Index (CPI-U) as compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and shall be calculated after any rate increases required by this section are applied.

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- (b) *Installation costs for water meters.* Consolidated Waterworks District No. 42 of the Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana is hereby authorized to charge actual installation costs incurred in the installation of all new and/or additional meters. Costs of installation for various size meters will be posted in the water department annually and the meter installation charge is due and payable in full at the time the

application is made.

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(d) *Fire service, sprinkler system or internal fire protection system.*

- (1) *Cost of installation.* All account applicants for water service connections in Consolidated Waterworks District No. 42 of the Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana for the purpose of a sprinkler system or internal fire protection system shall pay the cost of all labor, equipment and material, plus ten (10) percent of each installation cost from the water mains to the property line of applicant.

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- (ff) *Effective date of water rates, etc.* The water rates, fees, rents and other charges herein levied, imposed and established shall be paid by all users of the system and such rates, fees, rents and other charges shall become effective on January 1, 1994, and neither the schedules herein set forth nor any subsequent schedules shall be reduced at any time unless all payments required for all funds established by Ordinance No. 8482 including any deficiencies for prior payments, have been fully made, and unless said schedule as so reduced will in each year thereafter produce sufficient revenues to meet and fulfill other requirements and covenants contained in Ordinance No. 8482; and Consolidated Waterworks District No. 42 of the Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana shall not permit free use of water or services supplied by the district or the parish or any department thereof or by any persons.


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The foregoing ordinance having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: 7 NAYS: None ABSENT: None

This ordinance was declared to be adopted on the 15th day of September, 2021, and shall become effective as follows, if signed forthwith by the Parish President, ten (10) days after adoption; thereafter, upon the signature by the Parish President, or, if not signed by the Parish President, upon expiration of the time for ordinances to be considered finally adopted without the signature of the Parish President, as provided in Section 2.07 of the Charter. If vetoed by the Parish President and subsequently approved by the Council, this ordinance shall become effective on the day of such approval.

THE FOREGOING IS CERTIFIED
TO BE A TRUE & CORRECT COPY


EULA A. LOPEZ
PARISH CLERK
JEFFERSON PARISH COUNCIL