

RESOLUTION NO. R2025.135

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMPE, ARIZONA, TO MODIFY CHARGES, RATES, DEPOSITS AND FEES FOR PROVIDING DOMESTIC WATER SERVICE BY AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE TEMPE CITY CODE SECTION 33-56.

WHEREAS, Section 33-56 of the Tempe City Code provides that charges, rates, deposits and fees for providing domestic water service shall be established by Council resolution; and

WHEREAS, the charges, rates, deposits and fees for providing domestic water service are necessary to ensure full recovery of operating costs, financing improvements to the water treatment and delivery systems, and maintenance of the reserve fund balance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to A.R.S. § 9-511.01, a written report supporting the modified rates was filed with the City Clerk on Aug. 28, 2025 and posted on the City’s website, and a Notice of Intention to modify wastewater rates was adopted by the City Council on Sept. 2, 2025, published in the Arizona Republic Oct. 3 and 4 and distributed through social media Oct. 6, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMPE, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

That § 33-56 of Appendix A in the Tempe City Code is revised (with all caps and/or underlining indicating additions and strikethroughs indicating deletions) to reflect the following charges, rates, deposits and fees for providing domestic water service to be effective January 1, 2026:

33-56 Charges, Rates, Deposits, and Fees for Domestic Water Service

1. The following fee structure is established for tapping water mains and installing water connections, water meters and water meter boxes:

METER SIZE	TAP	METER	TOTAL
5/8"	\$638.00	\$46.50	\$684.50
3/4"	\$657.00	\$63.50	\$720.50
1.0"	\$748.00	\$116.00	\$864.00
1.5"	\$1,270.00	\$206.50	\$1,476.50
2.0"	\$1,667.00	\$269.00	\$1,936.00
3.0"	Cost: \$ 8,250.00 deposit required		
4.0"	Cost: \$ 8,250.00 deposit required		
6.0"	Cost: \$ 8,250.00 deposit required		
8.0"	Cost: \$ 9,350.00 deposit required		

- 2.(a) Domestic water may be supplied to units of service at the following rates. Each meter shall have a separate water connection from the water main. The continuous flow rate shall not exceed fifty percent (50%) of the maximum flow rate for each meter. Monthly service charges outside the City of Tempe and Town of Guadalupe have a 30 percent (30%) surcharge.

The following fee structure is established for monthly water service rates:

METER SIZE	MONTHLY SERVICE CHARGE INSIDE TEMPE AND GUADALUPE	MONTHLY SERVICE CHARGE OUTSIDE TEMPE AND GUADALUPE
5/8"	\$12.10 \$13.43	\$15.75 \$17.46
3/4"	\$13.60 \$15.10	\$17.70 \$19.63
1.0"	\$20.10 \$22.31	\$26.15 \$29.00
1.5"	\$41.85 \$46.45	\$54.40 \$60.39
2.0"	\$79.40 \$88.13	\$103.20 \$114.57
3.0"	\$118.95 \$132.03	\$154.65 \$171.64
4.0"	\$277.65 \$308.19	\$360.95 \$400.65
6.0"	\$800.35 \$888.39	\$1,040.45 \$1,154.91
8.0"	\$1,241.50 \$1,378.07	\$1,613.95 \$1,791.49
10.0"	\$1,858.75 \$2,063.21	\$2,416.40 \$2,682.17
1.0" installed to accommodate sprinklers	\$12.10 \$13.43	\$15.75 \$17.46

- (b) The above specified service charges for domestic water shall be paid each month for which a city meter is connected to a water line, whether any water is used on the premises or not.
- (c) The city shall have the privilege and option of metering any unit of service not now metered, and when so metered, the service charge and consumption charge provided in this section shall apply.
- (d) An administrative turn-on/reconnection fee of \$30.00 will be charged to begin or re-establish each utility service account. If it is necessary to establish or re-establish service after 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, or weekend or holiday service, a turn-on/reconnection fee of \$75.00 will be assessed.
- (e) A service charge of \$100.00, plus charges for estimated consumption, according to the applicable consumption rate schedule, will be assessed to any customer for unauthorized use of water services, for each occurrence.

Unauthorized use shall mean the taking of service by (a) turning the service on without authority, or (b) by connecting directly into service or hydrant without a meter, or (c) willfully modifying the meter or service apparatus so as to cause loss or reduction in consumption registration.

- 3.(a) Monthly consumption charges outside the City of Tempe and Town of Guadalupe have a 30 percent (30%) surcharge.

The following fee structure is established for the single family residential consumption rates for water:

CONSUMPTION	INSIDE TEMPE AND GUADALUPE (PER 1,000 GALLONS)	OUTSIDE TEMPE AND GUADALUPE (PER 1,000 GALLONS)
First 8,000 Gallons	\$3.16 <u>\$3.51</u>	\$4.11 <u>\$4.56</u>
Next 8,000 Gallons	\$5.17 <u>\$5.74</u>	\$6.72 <u>\$7.46</u>
Next 20,000 Gallons	\$6.62 <u>\$7.35</u>	\$8.61 <u>\$9.56</u>
Over 36,000 Gallons	\$7.88 <u>\$8.75</u>	\$10.24 <u>\$11.38</u>

The following fee structure is established for the non-single family residential consumption rates for water:

CUSTOMER CLASSIFICATION AS INDICATED BY WATER METER USAGE	INSIDE TEMPE AND GUADALUPE (PER 1,000 GALLONS)	OUTSIDE TEMPE AND GUADALUPE (PER 1,000 GALLONS)
Multifamily	\$3.53 <u>\$3.92</u>	\$4.59 <u>\$5.10</u>
Commercial	\$4.03 <u>\$4.47</u>	\$5.24 <u>\$5.81</u>
Construction	\$5.35	\$6.96
Industrial	\$3.96 <u>\$4.40</u>	\$5.15 <u>\$5.72</u>
Landscaping	\$5.37 <u>\$5.96</u>	\$6.98 <u>\$7.75</u>

- (b) Applicable taxes or governmental impositions which are assessed on water sales shall be added.
- (c) Pursuant to A.R.S. § 42-5302, a state water quality fee of \$0.0065 per thousand gallons shall be added.
4. The following charges will be assessed for delinquent accounts and miscellaneous services:
- (a) A late fee of one percent (1.0%) will be assessed to all amounts owing on the day after the due date of the bill.
- (b) In the event that a service suspension notice is mailed or delivered or service is re-established which had been disconnected, a \$15.00 delinquent charge will be assessed.
- (c) A \$25.00 charge will be assessed when a check is returned unpaid to the city by the bank. If a returned check was for payment of a delinquent account upon which a notice of service suspension has been served, service will be discontinued without further notice. The customer will be required to pay all amounts due, including the present month's bill, any additional deposits and applicable service reinstatement

charges. Payment must be in the form of cash, cashier's check or money order. Water service will be restored after payment is received.

(d) The Financial Services Director, or their designee, shall have the authority to establish rules and regulations for handling medical and financial hardship accounts. Such rules and regulations may provide for waiver of fees set forth herein or alternate payment methods.

(e) The following fees, charges, and deposits, shall be collected:

CHARGE, DEPOSIT OR FEE	AMOUNT
Late fee	1%
Delinquent charge	\$15.00
Meter accuracy test	\$50.00
Meter tampering fee	\$100.00
Returned check fee	\$25.00
Turn-on/ reconnection fee	\$30.00
After-hours turn-on/ reconnection fee	\$75.00
Deposit - residential	\$150.00
Deposit - commercial	\$300.00 or double the average bill for the property, whichever is higher
Firetap test fee	\$125.00

(f) The following fees, charges, and deposits for fire hydrant meters shall be collected:

CHARGE, DEPOSIT OR FEE	AMOUNT
Deposit	\$850.00
Installation	\$35.00
Meter repair	Actual cost
Unreturned hydrant meter	\$850.00
Hydrant meter move	\$70.00
Unauthorized hydrant meter move	\$210.00
Removal of meter	\$35.00
Service charge (3/4" meter)	\$11.50
Service charge (3" meter)	\$97.90

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TEMPE,
ARIZONA, this 6th day of November, 2025.**



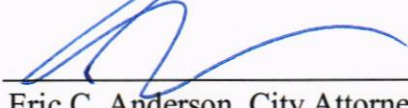
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