

**CITY OF PARIS  
ORDINANCE 2024-12**

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE WATER RATES OF THE CITY OF PARIS.

WHEREAS, the City requires periodic adjustment of rates charged to utility customers to maintain a solvent utilities operation;

WHEREAS, the City of Paris retained NewGen Strategies & Solutions to perform a cost-of-service study on the City’s water, wastewater, and electricity utility operations;

WHEREAS, NewGen Strategies & Solutions found there to be a forecasted revenue deficiency based on the current utility rates and recommended an increase to those rates; and

WHEREAS, these rates shall be effective for the bill generated for October 1, 2024, due on October 15, 2024. The second and third year will be effective for the bill generated for July 1 and due July 15 of the successive years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF PARIS, KENTUCKY:

That the following sections of the Code of Ordinances be amended as follows:

§33.701 SCHEDULE OF RATES

The following schedule of rates, rental, and service charges, and fees are hereby adopted and shall apply for all billings after October 1, 2024, for the use and services of and sales by the City’s water system.

(A). *Monthly rates.* The following service charges and monthly consumption rates shown in Table 1, Table 2, Table 3, and Table 4 below shall apply to water supplied to the City’s regular water customers and be paid by them:

**Table 1 – Residential Water Rates – Inside City**

Rate Class Description and Customer Charges	Current Charges	Effective for October 1, 2024	Effective July 1, 2025	Effective July 1, 2026
<b>10 WATER RESIDENTIAL IN CITY</b>		<b>3/4 inch and 7/8 inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 3.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 11.00
First 2,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
2,001-10,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
10,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72

Rate Class Description and Customer Charges	Current Charges	Effective		
		for October 1, 2024	Effective July 1, 2025	Effective July 1, 2026
<b>13 WATER RESIDENTIAL IN CITY</b>		<b>1-inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 7.00	\$ 11.80	\$ 18.80	\$ 25.90
First 4,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
4,001-10,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
10,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
<b>17 WATER RESIDENTIAL IN CITY</b>		<b>2-inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 20.00	\$ 33.60	\$ 53.40	\$ 73.70
First 9,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
9,000-10,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
10,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
<b>55 WATER RESIDENTIAL IN CITY</b>		<b>4-inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 54.00	\$ 90.70	\$ 144.20	\$ 199.00
First 34,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
34,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
<b>7 WATER RESIDENTIAL IN CITY</b>		<b>6-inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 150.00	\$ 252.00	\$ 400.70	\$ 553.00
First 71,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
71,000-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72

**Table 2 – Commercial Water Rates – Inside City**

Rate Class Description and Customer Charges	Existing Charges	Effective		
		for October 1, 2024	Effective July 1, 2025	Effective July 1, 2026
<b>20 WATER COMMERCIAL IN CITY</b>		<b>3/4 inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 6.30	\$ 10.60	\$ 16.90	\$ 23.30
First 2,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
2,001-10,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72

Rate Class Description and Customer Charges	Existing Charges	Effective		
		for October 1, 2024	Effective July 1, 2025	Effective July 1, 2026
10,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
<b>24 WATER COMMERCIAL IN CITY</b>		<b>1-inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 12.00	\$ 20.20	\$ 32.10	\$ 44.30
First 4,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
Next 6,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
Next 40,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
Next 50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
<b>26 WATER COMMERCIAL IN CITY</b>		<b>1.5- inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 20.00	\$ 33.60	\$ 53.40	\$ 73.70
First 6,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
6,001-10,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
10,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
<b>28 WATER COMMERCIAL IN CITY</b>		<b>2-inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 25.00	\$ 42.00	\$ 66.80	\$ 92.20
First 9,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
9,001-10,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
10,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
<b>31 WATER COMMERCIAL IN CITY</b>		<b>3 inch and 7/8-inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 40.00	\$ 67.20	\$ 106.80	\$ 147.40
First 14,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
14,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
<b>33 WATER COMMERCIAL IN CITY</b>		<b>4-inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 60.00	\$ 100.80	\$ 160.30	\$ 221.20
First 34,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
34,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72

Rate Class Description and Customer Charges	Existing Charges	Effective		
		for October 1, 2024	Effective July 1, 2025	Effective July 1, 2026
<b>35 WATER COMMERCIAL IN CITY</b>		<b>6-inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 160.00	\$ 268.80	\$ 427.40	\$ 589.80
First 71,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
71,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.50	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.72

**Table 3 – Residential Water Rates – County**

Rate Class Description and Customer Charges	Existing Charges	Effective		
		for October 1, 2024	Effective July 1, 2025	Effective July 1, 2026
<b>30 WATER RESIDENTIAL COUNTY</b>		<b>3/4 inch and 7/8 inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 4.20	\$ 7.00	\$ 11.20	\$ 15.40
First 2,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
2,001-10,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
10,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
<b>50 WATER RESIDENTIAL COUNTY</b>		<b>1-inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 16.80	\$ 16.52	\$ 26.32	\$ 36.26
First 4,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
4,001-10,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
10,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
<b>51 WATER RESIDENTIAL COUNTY</b>		<b>1.5-inch meter</b>		
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 28.00	\$ 47.00	\$ 74.70	\$ 103.10
First 6,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
6,001-10,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
10,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20

**3-inch meter**

Rate Class Description and Customer Charges	Existing Charges	Effective		
		for October 1, 2024	Effective July 1, 2025	Effective July 1, 2026
<b>52 WATER RESIDENTIAL COUNTY</b>				
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 40.00	\$ 67.20	\$ 106.80	\$ 147.40
First 9,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
9,001-10,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
10,001-50,001 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20

**Table 4 – Commercial Water Rates – County**

Rate Class Description and Customer Charges	Existing Charges	Effective		
		for October 1, 2024	Effective July 1, 2025	Effective July 1, 2026
<b>42 WATER COMMERCIAL COUNTY</b>				
<b>1.5- inch meter</b>				
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 28.00	\$ 47.04	\$ 74.76	\$ 103.18
First 6,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
6,001-10,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
10,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
<b>44 WATER COMMERCIAL COUNTY</b>				
<b>3-inch meter</b>				
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 56.00	\$ 94.08	\$ 149.52	\$ 206.36
First 14,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
14,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
<b>45 WATER COMMERCIAL COUNTY</b>				
<b>4-inch meter</b>				
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 84.00	\$ 141.12	\$ 224.42	\$ 309.68
First 34,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
34,001-50,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
50,001-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
<b>46 WATER COMMERCIAL COUNTY</b>				
<b>6-inch meter</b>				
Customer Charge (\$/mo)	\$ 224.00	\$ 376.32	\$ 598.36	\$ 825.72
First 71,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
71,000-100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20
All over 100,000 gallons (\$/000 gal)	\$ 4.76	\$ 4.90	\$ 5.05	\$ 5.20

(B) *Private fire hydrants and sprinklers.* The following monthly fire protection rates for private fire hydrants and sprinklers shall apply:

Private Fire Protection Rates per Month	January 1, 2013
Private fire hydrant (Standard)	\$14.04
Sprinkler system, 4 inch connection	\$29.38
Sprinkler system, 6 inch connection	\$33.56
Sprinkler system, 8 inch connection	\$42.15
Sprinkler system, 10 inch connection	\$50.45

(C) *Wholesale rates.* Wholesale customers outside the city limits other than customers of bulk water purchased in tank truck lots shall pay at such rates, charges, and minimums as may be negotiated with the user and expressly approved by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Paris.

Rate Class Description and Customer Charges	Existing Charges	Effective for October 1, 2024	Effective July 1, 2025	Effective July 1, 2026
<b>21 WHOLESALE WATER RATE</b>				
All consumption (\$/000 gal)	\$ 2.54	\$ 3.47	\$ 3.86	\$ 3.86

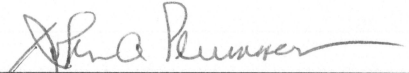
These wholesale rates shall become effective for billings after the date listed above and only after approval from the Public Service Commission, if necessary.

(D) *Municipal fire hydrants.* Municipal fire hydrants operated as a part of the City's water system within the City's limits shall bear a charge of eleven dollars and ninety-five cents (\$11.95) (effective January 1, 2013), per month, per hydrant. Those installed outside the City's limits and paid for by the County shall bear a similar charge. Those installed outside the City's limits for the benefit of a special area and paid for by the developer or such other private organization or entity as who requested the installed or his or its successor approved by the City shall bear a charge of sixteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$16.75) (effective January 1, 2013), per month, per hydrant.

(E) *Annual Adjustments* Each rate and service charge for all customer classifications shall automatically increase annually for billings on and after July 1, 2027 based on the adjusted percent change for the "Water and Sewerage Maintenance" expenditure category of the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Customers for most recent 12-month data available as of July 1 of that year. The adjustment factor expressed, as a percent change increase, will be used to recalculate the rates and charges annually.

The foregoing ordinance shall take effect upon execution and publication and in accordance with Kentucky law.

The foregoing ordinance was introduced and read for the first time at the City Commission's regular meeting on June 11, 2024. Read for the second time, adopted and approved at its regular meeting of June 25, 2024.

  
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John A. Plummer, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Stephanie Settles, City Clerk