

**CITY OF IONIA**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**Ordinance No. 537 – Utility Rates**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE:** That the City Council will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 114 North Kidd Street, Ionia, 48846, for the purpose of receiving comments on proposed Ordinance No. 537 which, if approved, revises certain water supply and sanitary sewer system utility rates contained in Chapter 214 of the City Code. If approved the revised rates will first be applied to the utility bill that is mailed July 1, 2018.

Comments regarding the proposed ordinance may be offered at the Public Hearing or may be mailed to Jason Eppler, City Manager, at the above address or via e-mail to [jeppler@ci.ionia.mi.us](mailto:jeppler@ci.ionia.mi.us) prior to the Public Hearing. Questions about the amendment may be directed to Mr. Eppler at 527-5776.

Following the Public Hearing the City Council will be asked to approve the ordinance on Second Reading. The ordinance will become effective upon publication.

The following proposed ordinance will be the subject of the Public Hearing:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 214.05 ENTITLED FEES IN THE  
STREETS, UTILITIES AND PUBLIC SERVICES CODE OF CHAPTER 214 –  
GENERAL FEE SCHEDULE, OF TITLE TWO – GENERAL PROVISIONS OF PART  
TWO – ADMINISTRATION CODE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE  
CITY OF IONIA**

**THE CITY OF IONIA HEREBY ORDAINS:**

**PART TWO – ADMINISTRATION CODE**

Title Two – General Provisions

Chapter 214 GENERAL FEE SCHEDULE

**214.05 FEES IN THE STREETS, UTILITIES AND PUBLIC SERVICES CODE.**

Subsection (c), (1) – Water Supply System Rates and Charges – Facilities Maintenance Charges shall be revised as follows:

(c) Water and Sewer Rates and Charges.

(1) Water Supply System Rates and Charges. Rates and charges for services and use of the water supply system shall be as set forth below, provided that such rates and charges may be revised from time to time by ordinance of the City Council:

A. Facilities maintenance charges:

000 to 100,000 gallons	- 1 REU	<del>\$23.00/</del> qtr	<u>\$24.00/</u> qtr
------------------------	---------	-------------------------	---------------------

100,000 gal. to 300,000 gallons	- 5 REU	<del>\$115.00/qtr</del>	<u>\$120.00/qtr</u>
300,000 gal. to 1 million gallons	- 13 REU	<del>\$299.00/qtr</del>	<u>\$312.00/qtr</u>
1 million gal. to 2 million gallons	- 45 REU	<del>\$1,035.00/qtr</del>	<u>\$1,080.00/qtr</u>
2 million gal. to 10 million gallons	- 90 REU	<del>\$2,070.00/qtr</del>	<u>\$2,160.00/qtr</u>
10 million gallons + - usage divided by 22,000 gallons x <del>\$23.00/qtr/REU</del> x <u>\$24.00/qtr/REU</u> charge.			

B. Commodity rate: All water service shall be charged for on the basis of water consumed as determined by the meter installed by the Department in the premises of water users. The commodity rate shall be ~~two dollars and eighty cents (\$2.80) per thousand metered gallons~~ three dollars (\$3.00) per thousand meter gallons.

C. Fire sprinkler standby fee: An annual fee of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) which can be applied in one payment or divided into quarterly payments as determined by the City.

D. Water tap fees.

1. City of Ionia, Easton Township, Ionia Township - one thousand dollars (\$1,000) minimum. All costs shall be recovered, such as road cuts, taps, meter and yoke, etc. with five hundred dollars (\$500.00) remaining to the City Water Fund for future improvements.

2. In addition to the regular tap fee, a fee of two dollars and thirty-seven cents (\$2.37) per square foot shall be charged as an Urban-Rural Development Recovery Fee with one dollar and seventy-six cents (\$1.76) of the resulting sum going to the City for Community Development/past investment and the remaining sixty-one cents (\$0.61) to the Township. The Urban-Rural Development Recovery Fee is the cost associated with providing service to new developments that have not paid for the developed water supply system. The Urban-Rural Development Recovery Fee is designed to reimburse the System for past investment that has been paid for by existing users and is based on Current Project Value.

E. Cross Connection Inspection Fee:

1. A quarterly fee shall be charged by the City to cover its cost for conducting cross connection inspections at locations requiring back flow preventers or prevention, or having chemical application, food processing or non-domestic usage according to the following schedule:

a. Locations requiring annual inspections: ~~\$13.50/quarter~~ \$15.50/quarter

b. Locations requiring bi-annual inspections: ~~\$6.75/quarter~~ \$7.75/quarter

c. Locations requiring tri-annual inspections: ~~\$3.50/quarter~~ \$4.00/quarter

2. Those locations which are currently charged the fire sprinkler standby fee referenced in (c)(1)C. of this section shall be exempt from the cross connection inspection fee.

Subsection (c), (2) – Sanitary Sewer System Rates and Charges shall be revised as follows:

(2) Sanitary Sewer System Rates and Charges. Rates and charges for service and use of the Sanitary Sewer System shall be as set forth below, provided that such rates and charges may be revised from time to time by ordinance of the City Council:

A. Facilities maintenance charges:

000 to 100,000 gallons	- 1 REU	<del>\$43.50/qtr</del>	<u>\$44.00/qtr</u>
100,000 gal. to 1 million gallons	- 5 REU	<del>\$217.50/qtr</del>	<u>\$220.00/qtr</u>
1 million gal. to 2 million gallons	- 45 REU	<del>\$1,957.50/qtr</del>	<u>\$1,980.00/qtr</u>
2 million gal. to 4 million gallons	- 90 REU	<del>\$3,915.00/qtr</del>	<u>\$3,960.00/qtr</u>
4 million gal. to 8 million gallons	- 180 REU	<del>\$7,830.00/qtr</del>	<u>\$7,920.00/qtr</u>
8 million gal. to 10 million gallons	- 360 REU	<del>\$15,660.00/qtr</del>	<u>\$15,840.00/qtr</u>
10 million gallons + - usage divided by 22,000 gallons x <del>\$43.50/qtr/REU.</del> <u>\$44.00/qtr/REU.</u>			

B. Commodity rate: All sewage disposal service shall be charged for on the basis of water consumed. The commodity rate shall be four dollars (\$4.00) per thousand metered gallons.

CITY OF IONIA

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
BY: Ally H. Cook, City Clerk