

ORDINANCE NO. 1083

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF CAMBRIDGE, MARYLAND ("THE COMMISSIONERS"), TO AMEND SECTION 18-1, of CHAPTER 18 "WATER" OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE, TO AMEND THE RATES OR WATER SERVICE.

IT IS HEREBY ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Commissioners of Cambridge that Section 18-1 entitled of Chapter 18 of the Code of Laws of the City of Cambridge, is hereby amended to incorporate the following rates and fees:

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

Sec. 18-1. Water service; rates.

Pursuant to the authority granted to it by the city charter, the municipal utilities commission hereby assumes the obligation of maintaining a water system for the dispersal of water and invokes the following regulations pursuant thereto, hereby declaring that it is unlawful for anyone to obtain water in violation thereof:

All extensions to the system are to be made at the expense of those desiring such extension, and the property owners involved in such extension shall make suitable payment to the commission in accordance with the commission's current applicable rules and regulations.

The following schedule of water rates and charges is hereby promulgated and adopted for the services and use of the water supply and distribution system of the city's municipal utilities commission:

Municipal Utilities Commissions Fees and Charges

- The following rate tariff shall apply to all Municipal Utilities Commission customers. Within the City limits, regardless of whether the user is a residential, commercial, industrial or municipal account. All customers outside of the City limits will be charged 200% of the within City rates and charges.

- All accounts shall be billed monthly, using monthly meter readings.

- Minimum Charge per Month
 - 5/8" Meter \$8.69
 - 3/4" Meter \$8.83
 - 1" Meter \$15.50
 - 1 1/2" Meter \$33.21
 - 2" Meter \$55.35

○ 3" Meter	\$119.56
○ 4" Meter	\$243.57
○ 6" Meter	\$553.56
○ 8" Meter	\$996.42

Meter Quantity Charge
(Subject to the Minimum Charge)

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○ For the first 13,000 gallons	2.10 per 1,000 gallons
○ For the next 17,000 gallons	2.00 per 1,000 gallons
○ For the next 70,000 gallons	1.82 per 1,000 gallons
○ For the next 200,000 gallons	1.72 per 1,000 gallons
○ For the next 2,700,000 gallons	1.49 per 1,000 gallons
○ For all over 3,000,000 gallons	0.86 per 1,000 gallons
○ (Manufacturing only)	

• **Unit Billing**

- Any meter size servicing more than one (1) residential living unit, whether apartment, townhouse, etc., will have a minimum monthly bill of whatever the current minimum single family house times the number of units serviced, or actual consumption based on current rates, whichever is greater.
- If a meter is servicing residential units and commercial operation, the commercial operation will be considered one (1) unit.

• **Turn Off/On Charges**

○ Turn-off for permanent cessation of services	No charge
○ Turn-on after shutoff for delinquency	\$50
○ Turn-off during nonbusiness hours	\$100
○ Turn-off/Turn-on for customer's convenience	\$15
○ Turn-on charges for new customers and reactivation of prior services	\$50

The municipal utilities commission has the right to inspect properties for the purpose of determining compliance with the provisions of the section, and to review the commercial units and/or share sanitary facilities.

Standby service schedule: Commercial and industrial activities which do not use municipal water for their entire needs and which are supplied with fire service or standby operational service shall be metered by the municipal utilities commission at the owner's expense and shall pay for all water used at the minimum charge rate.

Municipal service: Fire hydrant (hydrants in county only) rental rate per annum is \$12.50 plus the surcharge equal to the surcharge for out-of-town users as set forth in section 18-5 hereof.

Building and construction rates: Water for construction work will be supplied by meter measurement at meter rates.

Fire line service: For maintaining fire service standby lines, the following yearly rates shall apply:

- Fire Line Service
 - Less than 2 inches \$40.00/annual
 - 2 inches \$80.00/annual
 - 4 inches \$120.00/annual
 - 6 inches \$120.00/annual
 - 8 inches \$180.00/annual
 - 10 inches \$240.00/annual

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF CAMBRIDGE
that this Ordinance shall take effect July 1, 2016.

ATTEST:

THE COMMISSIONERS OF CAMBRIDGE

Sandra Tripp-Jones
City Manager

BY: _____
Donald Sydnor, Council President
Acting Mayor

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Introduction and First Reading on the __ day of JUNE, 2016

Second Reading and Adoption on the __ day of JUNE, 2016

Effective date: JULY 1, 2016