

**CITY OF BLANCO
ORDINANCE No: 2023-O-013
WATER AND SEWER RATES**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 269 OF THE CITY OF BLANCO, TEXAS AS ENACTED ON APRIL 13, 1987, AMENDED ON AUGUST -14, 2001, AMENDED AUGUST 14, 2012, AMENDED ON MAY 9, 2017, AND AGAIN ON JUNE 9, 2020; WHICH PROVIDES RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR FURNISHING CITY UTILITIES AND SETTING RATES FOR CHARGES THEREFORE FOR THE CITY OF BLANCO, TEXAS AND FURTHER PROVIDES RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR FURNISHING CITY UTILITIES AND SETTING RATES FOR CHARGES THEREFORE OUTSIDE THE CITY OF BLANCO, TEXAS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR THE FOLLOWING: FINDINGS OF FACT; RULES; STANDARDS; PROCEDURES; SEVERABILITY; SAVINGS; PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Blanco, Texas, is a Type A general-law municipality located in Blanco County, Texas, was created in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 6 of the Local Government Code and operating pursuant to the enabling legislation of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has published notice of the consideration of this Ordinance more than 72 hours prior to the City Council meeting to consider this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, upon consideration of all of the information presented, the City Council finds that in order to promote a clean, healthy, safe, and attractive environment for the citizens of the City of Blanco; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that this Ordinance is necessary to promote and to encourage the conservation and preservation of its water resources; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 51.001, the City has general authority to adopt an ordinance or police regulation that is for the good government, peace or order of the City and is necessary or proper for carrying out a power granted by law to the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the restrictions and/or amendments imposed by this Ordinance are reasonable, necessary, and proper for the good government of the City of Blanco; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary to promulgate rules and regulations in order to provide water, sewer, and refuse services to all citizens of the City of Blanco, Texas, and to other areas approved by the City Council.

WHEREAS, it is necessary to prescribe rates for utility services and institute rules for the collection of revenues for these services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Blanco City Council:

1. Findings of Fact

The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this Ordinance by reference as findings of fact as if expressly set forth herein.

2. Repealer

2.1. **Repealer:** All ordinances, including but not limited to Ordinance #269 enacted on or about April 13, 1987 and amended on August 14, 2001, August 14, 2012, May 9, 2017, and June 9, 2020 resolutions, or parts thereof, that are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and remain controlling as to the matters provided, herein.

3. Severability:

1. Should any of the clauses, sentences, paragraphs, sections or parts of this Ordinance be deemed invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable by a court of law or administrative agency with jurisdiction over the matter, such action shall not be construed to affect any other valid portion of this Ordinance.

4. Savings Clause:

1. That all and any previous fee ordinances shall remain in full force and effect, save and except as amended by this Ordinance.

5. Publication Clause:

1. The City Secretary of the City of Blanco, Texas is hereby directed to place the information above on the City's website and provide all other notice as required by law.

6. Effective Date:

1. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage and publication.

7. Proper Notice & Meeting:

1. It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed, was open to the public, and the public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551. Notice was also provided as required by Chapter 52 of the Texas Local Government Code.

PASSED & APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2023 by the City Council of Blanco, Texas.
CITY OF BLANCO

By: _____
Mike Arnold, Mayor

ATTEST:

Laurie Cassidy, City Secretary

**WATER AND SEWER RATES:
SECTION 1. ENACTMENT PROVISIONS**

- 1.1. Popular Name
This Ordinance shall be commonly cited as the “Water and Sewer Rates Ordinance”.

- 2.1. Purpose
This Ordinance establishes the fees the City is authorized to collect for providing certain services or processing certain requests for approval. Certain fees shall be imposed by other ordinances or state law. The absence of any certain fee from this Ordinance shall not be interpreted to preclude assessment and collection by the City.

SECTION 1. WATER AND SEWER RATES

A2.000 Water, Sewer and Trash Rates and Charges

A2.001 Schedule of rates and Charges

- c) **Residential, commercial, industrial, irrigation meters, multi-family, exempt and special conditions.**

Proposed Rate Structure:

5/8" tap/water availability fee (base fee):
\$41.49 per tap

Sewer availability fee:
\$32.20

New rate is \$10.49 per 1000 gallons for all water users regardless of tap size

An addition to the availability fee of \$16.12 will be attached to customers outside the City limits to recover additional fees it takes to bring these customers water.

New Rate for Sewer is \$10.49 based on 80% of water consumption.

Base water sewer fees for all meter sizes

base fee	meter size	sewer base fee
\$41.79	# of 5/8"	\$32.20
\$104.4	# of 1"	\$80.50
\$208.9	# of 1-1/2"	\$160.98
\$334.2	# of 2"	\$257.58
\$501.4	# of 2-1/2"	\$386.36
\$626.7	# of 3"	\$482.95
\$1,044.66	# of 4"	\$804.93
\$2,089.31	# of 6"	\$1,609.85
\$3,342.90	# of 8"	\$2,575.77
\$4,805.41	# of 10"	\$3,702.66