**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY**

**CITY OF LONDON**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019-08**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING RECONNECT FEES, AND ESTABLISHING WATER AND SEWER RATES**

WHEREAS, there is a dire need to adjust the water rates of the London Utility Commission and

WHEREAS, an increase in the water rates is necessary because present water rates are insufficient to cover cost, maintenance and construction of water lines within the City of London, it is necessary that water rates provided by the London Utility Commission be adjusted both inside and outside the municipal city limits of the City of London, Kentucky.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE City of London, Kentucky as follows:

**Section 1:** Unless specifically indicated otherwise, the meaning the of terms used herein shall be identical to the same meaning of terms in London City Ordinance 2009-06.

**Section 2:** Each customer of the water system located inside the city limits shall have a separate water meter and shall pay a monthly meter service charge, which shall include the first 2,000 gallons, based on the size of the meter as follows:

**SIZE OF SERVICE** **SERVICE CHARGE PER MONTH**

5/8 inch meter or less $12.87

¾ inch meter $12.87

1 inch meter $15.92

1 ¼ or 1 ½ inch meter $28.83

2 inch meter $47.52

3 inch meter $93.55

4 inch meter $144.14

6 inch meter $285.42

**Section 3:** Each customer located inside the city limits shall pay the following monthly rates for water supplied in addition to the monthly meter service charges stated in Section 2:

For the first 2,000 gallons, minimum monthly meter charge.

For the next 4,000 gallons, $4.00 per 1,000 gallons

For the next 14,000 gallons, $3.54 per 1,000 gallons

For the next 80,000 gallons, $3.15 per 1,000 gallons

For the next 100,000 gallons, $2.62 per 1,000 gallons

For the next 800,000 gallons, $2.59 per 1,000 gallons

**Section 4:** Each customer of the water system located outside the city limits shall have a separate water meter and shall pay a monthly meter service charge, which shall include the first 2,000 gallons, based on the size of the meter as follows:

**SIZE OF SERVICE** **SERVICE CHARGE PER MONTH**

5/8 inch meter or less $19.25

¾ inch meter $19.25

1 inch meter $23.73

1 ¼ or 1 ½ inch meter $43.26

2 inch meter $71.35

3 inch meter $140.54

4 inch meter $216.11

6 inch meter $428.05

**Section 5:** Each customer located outside the city limits shall pay the following monthly rates for water supplied in addition to the monthly meter service charge stated in Section 4:

For the first 2,000 gallons, minimum monthly meter charge.

For the next 4,000 gallons, $6.03 per 1,000 gallons

For the next 14,000 gallons, $5.35 per 1,000 gallons

For the next 80,000 gallons, $4.73 per 1,000 gallons

For the next 100,000 gallons, $3.99 per 1,000 gallons

For the next 800,000 gallons, $3.89 per 1,000 gallons

The water rates shall be adjusted at the end of each twelve (12) month period. The water rates shall be adjusted by the amount of increase in inflation that has occurred during the preceding year based on the Total Consumer Price Index.

**Section 6:** The following schedule of sewer user charge rates shall apply to each user of the wastewater treatment and collection system. This schedule includes rates for operation, maintenance and replacement (O, M & R), and rates for debt service charges, each based on the volume of water consumption or measured wastewater flow. The revenues collected, as a result of the wastewater user charges levied, shall be deposited in a separate non-lapsing fund known as the Wastewater Operation, Maintenance, Replacement, and Debt Service Fund. Fiscal year-end balances in the Wastewater OM&R and Debt Service Fund shall be returned to their respective accounts upon appropriated adjustment of the wastewater user charge rates for OM&R and Debt Service. The wastewater user charge rate(s) shall be adjusted such that the transferred monies will be returned to their respective accounts within twelve months of the fiscal years in which the monies were borrowed.

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**Section 7:** WHEREAS, Sewer rates have been recommended to the London City Council by the London Utility Commission for adoption in the estimated amounts herein stated, the London City Council does hereby adopt the following recommendations of the London Utility Commission as the Sewer User Charge and Monthly Rate Schedule as set out herein. The following schedule of wastewater user charge rates shall apply to each user of the wastewater treatment works. This schedule includes rates for OM&R and rates for debt service charges, each based on the volume of metered or estimated water consumption.

**SEWER USER CHARGE**

**MONTHLY RATE SCHEDULES**

Each customer of the wastewater treatment and collection system located inside the city limits shall pay a monthly minimum service charge of $13.76 which shall include the charge for the first 2,000 gallons of wastewater. The rate schedule for the sewer charges for each customer located inside the city shall be as follows:

**DEBT TOTAL**

**OM&R SERVICE USER CHG.**

First 2,000 gallons – minimum $5.60 $5.96 $13.76

Next 48,000 gallons per 1,000 gallons $2.80 $3.07 $6.96

Next 50,000 gallons per 1,000 gallons $2.80 $2.04 $5.71

Next 900,000 gallons per 1,000 gallons $2.80 $ .72 $4.14

Over 1,000,000 gallons per 1,000 gallons $2.80 $ .56 $3.97

Each customer of wastewater treatment and collection system located outside the city limits shall pay a monthly minimum service charge of $17.45 which shall include a charge for the first 2,000 gallons of wastewater. The rate schedule for the sewer charges for each customer located outside the city shall be as follows:

**DEBT TOTAL**

**OM&R SERVICE USER CHG.**

First 2,000 gallons – minimum $5.60 $9.05 $17.45

Next 48,000 gallons per 1,000 gallons $2.80 $4.64 $8.84

Next 50,000 gallons per 1,000 gallons $2.80 $3.08 $6.97

Next 900,000 gallons per 1,000 gallons $2.80 $1.14 $4.65

Over 1,000,000 gallons per 1,000 gallons $2.80 $ .90 $4.35

**Section 8:** The following surcharge rates shall apply to each user of the wastewater treatment works that has received permission from the Superintendent to contribute excessive strength sewage:

**Rate/lb**

**Tier I** BOD5 300 mg/l – 900 mg/l $0.197

**Tier II** BOD5 900 mg/l – 3000 mg/l $0.210

**Tier III** BOD5 Over 3000 mg/l $0.222

**Tier I** COD 900 mg/l – 2700 mg/l $0.105

**Tier II** COD 2700 mg/l – 9000 mg/l $0.117

**Tier III** COD Over 9000 mg/l $0.131

**Tier I** TSS 350 mg/l – 1050 mg/l $0.252

**Tier II** TSS 1050 mg/l – 3500 mg/l $0.262

**Tier III** TSS Over 3500 mg/l $0.276

AMMONIA:

Concentration in excess

of 20 mg/l $2.560

OIL & GREASE

Concentration in excess

of 100 mg/l $0.157

TOTAL PHOSPHORUS\*\* $1.403

\*\*Only applies when the London WWTP is required by the KPDES to treat for total phosphorus.

**Section 9:** Each customer who applies for new connection to the water system shall pay a water tap-on fee of $600.00 for a ¾ inch line. The Utility Commission may charge actual cost of the installation of a ¾” service in cases where excessive amounts of material and labor are required to complete the installation. Each customer shall pay a water tap-on fee of the actual cost for larger than ¾ inch line, the actual or estimated cost of which shall be paid at the time of application, and any balance or refund shall be paid upon completion of the new connection.

**Section 10:** Once sewer service becomes available, connection to the sanitary sewer system is mandated by the City of London Ordinance 2011-09. After the proper notification is provided to the customer and after the allotted time allowed to make the required connection has lapsed, the customer will be billed for sewer services as if he was connected. Billing will be in accordance with the rate schedules specified herein. All of the above sewer rates shall increase

annually based on figures and calculations of the Consumer Price Index using the “All Items Consumer Price Index.”

**Section 11:** Each new customer shall make application to the Utility Commission for water service and sewer service. The Utility Commission shall require a deposit of $100.00 for each residential lessee or renter customer and a deposit in an amount to be established by the Utility Commission, not to exceed two months estimated water service and sewer service charges, for each new commercial or industrial customer when the customer is not the owner of the premises to which water service and sewer service is to be supplied. The deposit less any amount payable for water service and sewer service shall be refunded when water service and sewer service to that customer is discontinued. Each new customer shall pay Twenty-Five Dollars ($25.00) as a “turn on” fee when service is requested. The “turn on” fee is not refundable as it is for initial service.

**Section 12:** The City of London is not a “customer” under the terms, conditions and definitions of this Ordinance.

**Section 13:** That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed. This ordinance shall be in full force and become effective immediately upon publication, but rates described herein shall be effective on the dates stated.

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Troy Rudder, Mayor

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Carolyn Adams, City Clerk

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